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## HB 751 State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners- License and Regulations- Criminal History Record Checks

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## WHAT DOES THE BILL DO?

This bill will provide the Maryland Board of Massage Therapy Examiners (MBMTE) access to the new technology offered by the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository to receive information about changes to licensee's and registrants' criminal history in a timelier matter. Currently, updates are not received by the board until self-reported during the biannual renewal period or reported by another party.

## WHY DO WE NEED THIS BILL?

Passage of this bill will put the Maryland Board of Massage Therapy Examiners in line with the following other health boards that have already enacted similar legislation;

Audiology, Speech Language Pathologists, Nursing Administrators, Chiropractic, Nursing, Occupational Therapists, Physicians, Professional Counselors, and Social Work.