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## 2021 SESSION POSITION PAPER

## BILL NO: SB 247 COMMITTEE: HGO POSITION: SUPPORT

## **<u>TITLE</u>**: STATE BOARD OF PODIATRIC EXAMINERS – SUNSET EXTENSION

**BILL ANALYSIS:** This bill extends the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners ("the Board") for 10 years until July 1, 2032.

## **POSITION AND RATIONALE:** The Board supports SB 247.

The Board has no outstanding deficiencies to correct and the passing of this bill will ensure the continuation of the Board's mandated responsibilities of protecting the citizens of Maryland through its credentialing, examination, licensing, and disciplinary process for podiatrists. Additionally, during the recent Boards and Commissions audit by the Department of Legislative Services, the Board was not identified as having deficiencies.

Thank you for considering this testimony. The Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners is respectfully requesting a favorable report on SB 247. If you require additional information, please contact Eva Schwartz, Executive Director of the Maryland Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners at (410) 963-4703, or at eva.schwartz@maryland.gov.

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