

## Board of Examiners of Psychologists

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## 2022 SESSION POSITION PAPER

**BILL NO: SB 195** 

**COMMITTEE: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee** 

**POSITION: SUPPORT** 

**TITLE:** State Board of Examiners of Psychologists – Sunset Extension

## **BILL ANALYSIS:**

This bill continues the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending the Board's existence to July 1, 2033.

## **POSITION AND RATIONALE:**

The Board of Examiners of Psychologists (the Board) supports SB 195. The Board has no outstanding deficiencies to correct and the passing of this bill will ensure the continuation of the Board's mandated responsibilities to carry out its mission to protect the citizens of Maryland by promoting quality health care in the field of psychology, licensing psychologists, receiving, and resolving complaints, and setting standards for the practice of psychology.

Thank you for considering this testimony. The Board of Examiners of Psychologists is respectfully requesting a favorable report on SB 195. If you require additional information, please contact Lorraine Smith, Executive Director at <a href="mailto:Lorraine.smith@maryland.gov">Lorraine.smith@maryland.gov</a> or at 410-764-4786.

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