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January 20, 2022

The Honorable Paul Pinsky, Chair  
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee  
2 West Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

RE: Letter of Support - SB 209 - State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners - Sunset Extension.

Dear Chairman Pinsky and Committee Members:

The Maryland Department of Health (Department) respectfully submits this letter of support for Senate Bill 209 (SB 209) State Board of Examiners in Optometry - Sunset Extension.

SB 209 extends the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners (Board) for ten (10) years, until July 1, 2033.

There were no reported problems in the last Board sunset review, therefore the Department respectfully requests the Committee pass this legislation and extend the Boards authority for an additional ten (10) years.

I hope this information is useful. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Heather Shek, Director, Office of Governmental Affairs at (443) 695-4218 or [heather.shek@maryland.gov](mailto:heather.shek@maryland.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dennis R. Schrader".

Dennis R. Schrader  
Secretary