

SENATE BILL 728

J2

3lr0048

By: **Chair, Finance Committee (By Request – Departmental – Health)**

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2023

Assigned to: Finance

Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

Senate action: Adopted

Read second time: March 4, 2023

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Examiners in Optometry – Sunset Extension**

3 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Examiners in Optometry in accordance
4 with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by
5 extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and
6 regulatory authority of the Board; and generally relating to the State Board of
7 Examiners in Optometry.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
9 Article – Health Occupations
10 Section 11–201
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

13 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
14 Article – Health Occupations
15 Section 11–602
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (2021 Replacement Volume and 2022 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Health Occupations**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 11-201.

2 There is a State Board of Examiners in Optometry in the Department.

3 11-602.

4 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the **MARYLAND**
5 Program Evaluation Act, this title and all rules and regulations adopted under this title
6 shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2023] ~~2026~~ **2025**.

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
8 1, 2023.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.