Chapter 53

(Senate Bill 728)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Examiners in Optometry – Sunset Extension

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

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

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

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

Article – Health Occupations

11 - 201.

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

11-602.

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

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

Approved by the Governor, April 11, 2023.