

Board of County Commissioners to provide for the director of the Charles County Health Department and the Office of Sheriff for Charles County to enforce certain regulations or ordinances; and generally relating to the provisions concerning licensing of palm readers, fortune tellers, and soothsayers and certification of certain occupations in Charles County.

BY repealing

Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions.

Section 11-402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 3-5A-11

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations

Section 3-5A-14

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

Article 24 – Political Subdivisions – Miscellaneous Provisions

[11-402.

Notwithstanding any other sections of the Business Regulation Article, in Charles County any palm reader, fortune-teller, soothsayer, or similar person shall apply to the Board of County Commissioners of Charles County for a license to carry on business. The license shall be issued by the Board only upon proof that the person has been a resident, taxpayer, and property owner of Charles County for at least 18 months prior to the application for the license. The annual fee for the license shall be \$250, and the license shall be issued by the Clerk of the Circuit Court and may be revoked by the Board for good cause.]

Article – Health Occupations

3-5A-11.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, an individual may not practice, attempt to practice, or offer to practice massage therapy, massage, myotherapy, or any synonym or derivation of these terms in this State unless certified by the Board.