

## CHAPTER 363

(House Bill 1092)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 607, 610, 611, and 614 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume and 1967 Supplement) title "Health," subtitle "Physical Therapy," generally amending the laws of this State concerning physical therapy and the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners; and to correct an error therein.

**SECTION 1.** *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 607, 610, 611, and 614 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume and 1967 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Physical Therapy," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

**607.**

**[Annually after January 1, 1948]** *Semi-annually*, or more often if the Board shall deem it necessary, the said Board shall hold an examination for applicants for licenses to practice physical therapy in this State. Notice of time and place of such examination shall be given by one or more announcements in a daily newspaper published in the City of Baltimore and by such other methods as the said Board may see fit to use.

**610.**

**[(a)** Without examination. Any person practicing physical therapy in the State of Maryland on June 1, 1947 shall be entitled to be licensed as a physical therapist if: (1) He or she is a member of the Maryland State Registry of Physical Therapists, or Maryland State Physical Therapy Society, Inc., or (2) if: (A) He or she produces statements from three (3) active, reputable licensed doctors of medicine certifying that he or she is of good moral character and has treated patients under the direction and supervision of the certifying doctor of medicine for a period of not less than two years in the State of Maryland prior to the application for license, or if: (B) He or she produces satisfactory evidence to the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, of experience and training in physical therapy for a period of not less than one year in an approved hospital. No applications for licenses without examination shall be accepted after January 1, 1948, unless the applicant shall be engaged in the military service of the United States or any of its allies, in which case such application shall be accepted at any time within six (6) months after honorable discharge from such military service.

(b) By examination. (1) Every person other than those covered by subsection (a), of good moral character, who has completed physical therapy training prior to June 1, 1947 or who is attending a course in physical therapy on June 1, 1947, may make application for examination for license providing that he or she produce evidence satisfactory to the Maryland State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners of his or her graduation from a school, college, hospital or university which has a complete and acceptable course in physical therapy, and which is accredited by the Maryland State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners.