

~~See, §. 4.~~ *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1969.

Approved May 14, 1969.

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CHAPTER 634

(House Bill 164)

AN ACT to add new Sections 725 to 742, inclusive, to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume and 1968 Supplement), title "Health," to follow immediately after Section 724 thereof and to be under the new subtitle "Hearing Aids," placing the registration and regulation of persons furnishing hearing aids under the Board of Examiners for Hearing Aid Dealers, making general provisions for the regulation of persons and agencies furnishing and selling hearing aids in this State, and relating generally to the selling, dispensing, and use of hearing aids.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Sections 725 to 742, inclusive, be and they are hereby added to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume and 1968 Supplement), title "Health," to follow immediately after Section 724 thereof, to be under the new subtitle "Hearing Aids," and to read as follows:

*Hearing Aids*

*725. Definitions.*

*As used in this subtitle, unless the context otherwise requires:*

(1) "Board" means the Board of Examiners for Hearing Aid Dealers.

(2) "Certificate of registration" includes a temporary certificate of registration.

(3) "Hearing aid" means any instrument or device designed for or represented as aiding, improving, or correcting defective human hearing and any parts, attachments, or accessories of such an instrument or device.

~~(4) "Practice of fitting hearing aids" means the evaluation or measurement of the powers or range of human hearing by means of an audiometer or by any other means devised and the consequent selection or adaptation or sale of hearing aids intended to compensate for hearing loss.~~

(4) "PRACTICE OF FITTING AND DEALING IN HEARING AIDS" SHALL MEAN THE MEASUREMENT OF HUMAN HEARING BY MEANS OF AN AUDIOMETER OR BY ANY OTHER MEANS SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING SELECTIONS, ADAPTATIONS OR SALE OF HEARING AIDS. THE TERM ALSO INCLUDES THE MAKING OF IMPRESSIONS FOR EARMOLDS. A DEALER, AT THE REQUEST