

term if these requirements are not met. As to the renewal grace period allowed licensed podiatrists, see § 15-308(f).

15-312. SAME -- INVESTIGATIONS.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE BOARD MAY INVESTIGATE ANY COMPLAINT FILED WITH THE BOARD THAT ALLEGES THAT THERE ARE GROUNDS FOR ACTION UNDER § 15-311 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) CHARGES.

AFTER ITS INVESTIGATION, THE BOARD, ON THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF ITS MEMBERS THEN SERVING, MAY COMMENCE ACTION ON ANY OF THE GROUNDS SET FORTH IN § 15-311 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(C) CONFIDENTIALITY OF INVESTIGATION, REPORTS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

UNTIL THE BOARD PASSES AN ORDER UNDER § 15-314 OF THIS SUBTITLE, EACH RELATED INVESTIGATION, REPORT, AND RECOMMENDATION IS CONFIDENTIAL.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 43, § 490(a)(1) and the introductory language of (b), and from Art. 43, § 490(d)(3).

As to the duty of the Board to investigate any allegation of unauthorized practice of podiatry, see § 15-205 of this title.

As to the power of the Board to issue subpoenas and administer oaths in connection with an investigation under this section, see § 15-205 of this title.

15-313. SAME -- HEARINGS.

(A) RIGHT TO A HEARING.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT, BEFORE THE BOARD TAKES ANY ACTION UNDER § 15-311 OF THIS SUBTITLE, IT SHALL GIVE THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM THE ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE THE BOARD.

(B) APPLICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.

THE BOARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE AND HOLD THE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.

(C) RIGHT TO COUNSEL.