<u>DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY</u> THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE ASSESSMENT AS REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(1) OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006, and shall be applicable to all assessment notices sent after October 31, 2007 2008.

Approved May 2, 2006.

CHAPTER 364

(House Bill 955)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists - Licenses and Certificates - Reciprocity

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists to waive certain certification requirements for certain applicants for certificates to practice as a professional counselor-alcohol and drug, associate counselor-alcohol and drug, or supervised counselor-alcohol and drug under certain circumstances; requiring certain applicants to meet certain requirements to qualify for a certain waiver; authorizing the Board to waive certain licensing requirements for certain applicants for a license to practice as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor or a clinical professional counselor under certain circumstances; requiring certain applicants to meet certain requirements to qualify for a certain waiver; requiring the Board to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the State Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists and the reciprocity of licenses and certificates.

BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations Section 17-306.1 and 17-3A-03.1 Annotated Code of Maryland (2005 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Health Occupations

17-306.1.

(A) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD MAY WAIVE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION FOR AN APPLICANT WHO IS CERTIFIED OR OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE AS A PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR-ALCOHOL