

**CHAPTER 206****(House Bill 399)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Nursing – Miscellaneous Provisions**

FOR the purpose of altering the terms for certain Board officers; repealing a certain provision that prohibits the limitation of certain delegated nursing functions by certain geriatric nursing assistants and certain medicine aides; authorizing the Board to issue temporary practice letters to certain nurse practitioners and nurse-midwives; prohibiting the Board from issuing a temporary practice letter unless certain conditions are met; providing that a temporary practice letter does not create certain rights, abrogate certain procedures, or establish certain facts or presumptions concerning collaboration agreements; providing that certain temporary practice letters may not be renewed; providing that certain temporary practice letters will expire after a certain period of time unless the Board takes certain action; establishing that the Board may take certain action if the applicant or licensee violates certain orders from the Board; authorizing the Board to issue temporary practice certificates to certain applicants; providing that certain temporary practice certificates will expire after a certain amount of time; prohibiting certain persons from performing certain practices without certain certificates; prohibiting certain persons from making certain representations without certain authorizations; prohibiting certain persons from using certain words, terms, abbreviations, titles, symbols, signs, cards, devices, or other representations with certain intentions; prohibiting certain individuals who unlawfully obtain certain documents from performing certain practices; prohibiting certain persons from selling, fraudulently obtaining, fraudulently providing, or fraudulently aiding or abetting the sale, fraudulent obtainment, or fraudulent provision of certain certificates or certificate renewals; prohibiting certain persons from employing certain persons who do not have certain authorizations; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to the State Board of Nursing.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations

Section 8-203(a), 8-205(c), 8-315, 8-316(a)(30), 8-6A-07, 8-701, and 8-703 through 8-706

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

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