SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2005, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2005.

Approved April 26, 2005.

CHAPTER 247

(House Bill 873)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators - Inactive Status - Penalties and Disciplinary Actions

FOR the purpose of requiring the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators' evaluation of an acting nursing home administrator owners of nursing homes or other appropriate nursing home authorities to provide certain notice to the State Board of Nursing Home Administrators under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to place licensees on inactive status for a certain term under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to provide written notification to licensees on inactive status under certain circumstances; prohibiting a licensee on inactive status from practicing as a nursing home administrator in the State; authorizing the Board to issue a license to a licensee on inactive status under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to reactivate a license for certain individuals under certain circumstances; requiring a nursing home administrator whose inactive license expires to meet certain requirements in order to be reinstated; authorizing the Board to impose certain disciplinary actions and civil fines on licensees under certain circumstances; requiring the Board to deposit eivil certain fines collected into the General Fund of the State; altering the signature requirement to issue subpoenas and administer oaths in connection with certain investigations; prohibiting a stay of a Board order pending judicial review; establishing procedures to issue cease and desist letters and file injunctive actions; altering eertain eriminal penalties; and generally relating to the licensure and regulation of nursing home administrators.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Health Occupations Section 9–301, 9–314 through 9–316, and 9–407 Annotated Code of Maryland (2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Health Occupations Section 9–312.1, 9–314.1, and 9–316.1 Annotated Code of Maryland