CHAPTER 593

(Senate Bill 235)

AN ACT concerning

Medical Malpractice - Commission on Medical Discipline

FOR the purpose of strengthening the physician peer review process by assigning an Assistant Attorney General to assist in the investigation, development, and prosecution of cases referred to the Commission on Medical Discipline; altering the renewal fee for certain licensed physicians; and generally relating to the Commission Discipline and physician peer review.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations Section $\frac{14-403}{4-314}$ $\frac{14-314(c)}{4-403}$, and $\frac{14-504}{4-403}$ Annotated Code of Maryland (1986 Replacement Volume and 1986 Supplement)

BY-repealing-and-reenacting,-without-amendments,

Article---Health-Occupations Section-14-504 Annotated-Code-of-Maryland (1986-Replacement-Volume-and-1986-Supplement)

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

Article - Health Occupations

14-314.

- (c) Before the license expires, the licensee periodically may renew it for an additional term, if the licensee:
 - (1) Otherwise is entitled to be licensed;
- (2) Pays to the Board a renewal fee equivalent to an annual fee of [\$25] \$45; and
 - (3) Submits to the Board:
- (i) A renewal application on the form that the Board requires; and