

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors to adopt regulations to allow certain individuals to provide certain activities under certain circumstances; altering a certain definition; prohibiting certain persons from making certain representations or using a certain title; creating an exception to a certain prohibition under certain circumstances; establishing certain penalties for subsequent convictions of certain misdemeanors; defining a certain term; and generally relating to the use of the term "counselor" altering certain restrictions on the practice of psychology; altering the right of certain persons to provide certain services; authorizing certain individuals and entities to engage in certain activities and provide certain services under certain circumstances; exempting from a certain provision of law certain services performed by certified school psychologists; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the State Department of Education and other certain persons to report to the certain standing committees of the General Assembly by a certain date; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to the scope of practice under the State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors and the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists.

BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations
Section 17-302.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations
~~Section 17-101, 17-401, and 17-402~~ Section 18-101(e), 18-102, and 18-301(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Health Occupations

~~17-101.~~

(a) ~~In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.~~

(b) ~~"Appraisal" means:~~

~~(1) Selecting, administering, scoring, and interpreting instruments designed to assess an individual's aptitudes, attitudes, abilities, achievements, interests, and personal characteristics; and~~

~~(2) Using nonstandardized methods and techniques for understanding human behavior in relation to coping with, adapting to, or changing life situations.~~

(e) ~~"Board" means the State Board of Examiners of Professional Counselors.~~