

CHAPTER 186

(Senate Bill 590)

AN ACT concerning

Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact

FOR the purpose of entering the State of Maryland into the Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact; stating the purposes of the Compact; establishing the administration of the Compact for certain purposes; providing for the powers of the administration of the Compact; providing for the regulation of nurses under the Compact; establishing certain jurisdictional requirements for members of the Compact; providing for the enforcement of the Compact; providing for the effective status of the Compact and the addition and withdrawal of Compact members under certain circumstances; allowing certain immunities for certain persons under certain circumstances; providing for the obtaining and use of certain information by certain persons; authorizing the State Board of Nursing to promulgate certain regulations; requiring the Board to conduct a certain study and to submit a certain report by a certain date; defining certain terms; providing for a certain contingency; and generally relating to the Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 8-301

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations

Section 8-7A-01 through 8-7A-05, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 7A. Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

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

Article - Health Occupations

8-301.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this title, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice registered nursing in this State.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this title, an individual shall be licensed by the Board before the individual may practice licensed practical nursing in this State.