

CHAPTER 357**(House Bill 558)**

AN ACT concerning

**State Board of Dental Examiners - Regulation of ~~Conscious~~ Sedation -
Issuance of Permits**

FOR the purpose of ~~broadering~~ altering the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners to adopt certain regulations relating to a certain form of sedation; prohibiting the Board, ~~in regulating the issuance of certain permits to a facility or dentist, to adopt regulations concerning the administration of nitrous oxide and certain medications under certain circumstances from requiring certain facilities or certain dentists to obtain certain permits under certain circumstances;~~ requiring the Board to develop and draft certain regulations only after having convened and consulted with a certain committee consisting of certain representatives; requiring the Board to hold a certain number of public hearings regarding the proposed adoption of certain regulations; requiring the publication of the date of certain hearings in the Maryland Register; and generally relating to the State Board of Dental Examiners and the regulation of ~~conscious sedation~~ regulation of sedation and the issuance of permits by the State Board of Dental Examiners.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 4-205

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article - Health Occupations

4-205.

(a) In addition to the powers set forth elsewhere in this title, the Board may:

(1) ~~ADOPT~~ ~~NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION,~~ ~~ADOPT~~ regulations governing:

- (i) The administration of general anesthesia by a licensed dentist;
- (ii) The administration of ~~parenteral~~ ~~CONSCIOUS~~ sedation by a licensed dentist;
- (iii) The use of a dental assistant by a licensed dentist in performing intraoral procedures;