FOR the purpose of altering the authority of the State Board of Dental Examiners to adopt certain regulations governing the administration of a certain type relating to a certain form of sedation; prohibiting the Board from issuing a permit to certain circumstances; prohibiting the Board from issuing a permit to certain dentists under certain circumstances 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 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 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;
- (iv) [The] SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE issuance of a permit to a facility not otherwise regulated where a dentist administers or has general anesthesia or [parenteral] CONSCIOUS sedation administered;
- (v) [The] SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (G) (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE issuance of a permit to a dentist who administers or has general anesthesia or [parenteral] CONSCIOUS sedation administered;
- (vi) Reasonable requirements for the training and evaluation of a dentist before the dentist may administer general anesthesia or [parenteral] CONSCIOUS sedation OTHER THAN NITROUS OXIDE ADMINISTERED ALONE AND NOT IN CONJUNCTION WITH: