

Chapter 131

(House Bill 133)

AN ACT concerning

State Board of Pilots – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Pilots in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before a certain date; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in conjunction with the Board, to submit a certain report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of Pilots.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 11–802
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Government
Section 8–403(b)(50)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2009 Replacement Volume)

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

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

11–802.

Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2013] **2022**.

Article – State Government

8–403.

(a) On or before December 15 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this section.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, on or before the evaluation date for the following governmental activities or units, an evaluation shall be made of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units:

(50) Pilots, State Board of (§ 11–201 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article: July 1, [2012] **2021**);

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before October 1, 2010, the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in conjunction with the State Board of Pilots, shall submit a report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government Article, detailing the steps that have been taken to:

(1) determine whether additional requirements, such as a federal pilot license, should be a requirement for State pilot licensing;

(2) improve the Department’s accounting of Board–related expenditures when staff are shared among several boards to ensure that the majority of Board–related costs, including personnel, are tracked;

(3) increase the pilot–in–training application and licensing fees to reflect inflation and help offset Board expenses;

(4) revise the draft levels associated with licenses in response to overall increases in vessel draft;

(5) develop statutory, regulatory, or other provisions to ensure adequate review and evaluation of the association’s annual audits; and

(6) improve the tracking of, and ensure compliance with, pilot continuing education requirements.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

Approved by the Governor, April 13, 2010.