

HOUSE BILL 67

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By: **The Speaker (By Request – Department of Legislative Services)**

Introduced and read first time: January 20, 2011

Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Architects – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation**

3 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Architects in accordance with the
4 provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending
5 to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and
6 regulatory authority of the Board; requiring that an evaluation of the Board and
7 the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before
8 a certain date; requiring the chairs of certain design boards to submit a certain
9 report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board of
10 Architects.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
13 Section 3–702
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2010 Replacement Volume)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
17 Article – State Government
18 Section 8–403(a)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

21 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
22 Article – State Government
23 Section 8–403(b)(4)
24 Annotated Code of Maryland
25 (2009 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

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

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

2 3–702.

3 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland
4 Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall
5 terminate and be of no effect after July 1, ~~[2013]~~ **2023**.

6 **Article – State Government**

7 8–403.

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

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

16 (4) Architects, State Board of (§ 3–201 of the Business Occupations
17 and Professions Article: July 1, ~~[2012]~~ **2022**);

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, on or before October 1,
19 2011, the Chair of the State Board of Architects, the Chair of the State Board of
20 Certified Interior Designers, the Chair of the State Board of Examiners of Landscape
21 Architects, the Chair of the State Board for Professional Engineers, and the Chair of
22 the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors shall jointly submit a report to the
23 Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House
24 Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1246 of the State Government
25 Article, on the sufficiency of the balance in the State Occupational and Professional
26 Licensing Design Boards' Fund. The report shall specifically address the benefits of a
27 fee increase in order to ensure that the collective revenue for the design boards covers
28 total expenditures.

29 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 July 1, 2011.