

MARYLAND BOARD OF PHYSICIANS

2025 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

During the 2025 Maryland General Assembly session, legislators considered more than 2,500 bills and resolutions. The Maryland Board of Physicians (the Board) reviewed and prioritized bills weekly, focusing on legislation that affects the Board's mission, operations, or licensees. Below is a snapshot of relevant bills.

For a list of the status of all bills, visit the [Maryland General Assembly Website](#).

ENACTED BILLS

Senate Bill 423 (Chapter 675) / House Bill 776 (Chapter 676) – Maryland Medical Practice Act and Maryland Physician Assistants Act – Revisions, effective October 1, 2025. This bill standardizes language, codifies Board practices, removes duplicative, unclear, or outdated language, corrects errors, and authorizes certain substantial changes within the Maryland Medical Practice Act and Maryland Physician Assistants Act.

Senate Bill 72 (Chapter 732) / House Bill 367 (Chapter 731) – Health Occupations Boards – English Proficiency Requirements and Licensure by Endorsement for Nursing, effective October 1, 2025. This bill prohibits a health occupations board from requiring additional evidence of English proficiency for licensure, certification, or registration if the applicant holds a license, certificate, or registration in another state that requires evidence of English proficiency.

House Bill 783 (Chapter 478) – Health Occupations – Implicit Bias and Structural Racism Training, effective October 1, 2025. This bill requires applicants for renewal of licenses and certain certificates to attest to the completion of a structural racism training that is approved by the Cultural and Linguistic Health Care Professional Competency Program.

House Bill 1510 (Chapter 695) – Medical Records – Notice of Destruction – Method, effective October 1, 2025. This bill requires that notice of destruction of medical records be provided by first-class mail or email, rather than by both means.

Senate Bill 67 (Chapter 248) - Health Occupations Boards - Notation of Veteran Status and Eligibility for Benefits, effective October 1, 2025. This bill authorizes a health occupations board to notate a veteran's status on a license, registration, certificate, or public profile.

BILLS THAT DID NOT PASS

HB 1199 – Physicians – Licensing - Internationally Trained Physicians. This bill would have authorized the Board, beginning October 1, 2027, to issue a license to practice medicine to an internationally trained physician under certain circumstances.

HB 867 – State Board of Physicians – Naturopathic Doctors - Prescriptive Authority and Administration of Medication. This bill would have repealed the Naturopathic Doctors Formulary Council, altered the drugs that may be administered by a naturopathic doctor, and altered the methods by which a naturopathic doctor may administer medication.