

Introduced by the Speaker
House Bill No. 486.

Examined by Committee on Printed Bills:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval thisday of.....at.....o'clockM.

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Chief Clerk

CHAPTER....569....

AN ACT to repeal Section 533 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Health", sub-title "Physical Therapy", and to enact in lieu thereof a new section, to be known as Section 533, and to follow immediately after Section 532 of said Article, relating to the appointment, term of office and compensation of the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, and to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 538 of said Article and sub-title, to require the payment of an annual fee for renewal of licenses to practice physical therapy.

1 Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Mary-
2 land, That Section 533 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code
3 of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Health", sub-title
4 "Physical Therapy", be and the same is hereby repealed, and
5 that a new section be and it is hereby enacted in lieu there-
6 of, said new Section to be known as Section 533, to follow
7 immediately after Section 532 of said Article, and to read
8 as follows:

1 533. On June 1, 1949, the term of each member of the
2 State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners then in office
3 shall terminate, and on said date the Governor shall ap-
4 point five (5) persons who shall be known as the State
5 Board of Physical Therapy Examiners. Each person ap-
6 pointed to said Board shall be licensed to practice medicine
7 under the laws of this State. One of the appointments shall
8 be for a term of one (1) year, one for a term of two (2)
9 years, one for a term of three (3) years, one for a term of
10 four (4) years, and one for a term of five (5) years; there-
11 after, appointments shall be for terms of five (5) years.
12 Vacancies shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired
13 term. All appointments shall be made from lists of names

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of qualified persons submitted to the Governor by the Medi-
15 cal and Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland, and shall contain
16 not less than three (3) names for each appointment to be
17 made. For the transaction of business, the concurrence of
18 at least three (3) members of the Board shall be necessary.
19 Members of the Board shall be entitled to receive such com-
20 pensation as it may determine from time to time, not to ex-
21 ceed Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per day for each day they are
22 engaged in transacting the business of the Board. The mem-
23 bers shall receive also their necessary traveling expenses.
24. The Board shall elect annually one of its members as Chair-
25 man, and shall also elect annually a Secretary, who need
26 not be a member of the Board. The Secretary shall receive
27 such compensation as may be provided in the budget; and
28 the compensation of the members, the Secretary and all ex-
29 penses of the Board shall be paid from its receipts. The
30 Board shall have the authority to obtain information which
31 it may require in the field of physical therapy and, for that
32 purpose, may secure the advice of experts and consultants
33 to be paid out of the funds of the Board.

1 Sec. 2 And be it further enacted, That Section 538 of
2 Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supple-
3 ment), title "Health", sub-title "Physical Therapy", be and
4 the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments,
5 so as to read as follows:

1 538. All persons licensed as physical therapists under the
2 provisions of this sub-title shall, as a condition precedent to
3 the granting of such license, pay to the State Board of Phy-
4 sical Therapy Examiners a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) which
5 shall accompany the application for the license. All licenses
6 heretofore issued under the provisions of this sub-title shall
7 expire on January 1, 1950, and shall be renewed by application
8 to the Board, upon payment of a renewal fee of Five Dollars
9 (\$5.00), and shall be granted unless the licensee improperly
10 or unlawfully obtained the license in the first instance or
11 since its issuance, has committed a substantial violation of
12 any of the provisions of this sub-title. Each license issued
12a or renewed after June 1, 1949, shall be renewed annually upon
13 payment of a renewal fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00). Any
14 licensee who fails to make application for renewal of his or
15 her license within three months of its expiration, accompanied
16 by the required renewal fee, shall be refused a renewal until
17 he or she shall have successfully passed the examination as
18 set forth in Section 537 (B) of this sub-title and paid the
19 Ten Dollars (\$10.00) fee hereinbefore set forth for such exami-
20 nation and license.

1 Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take
2 effect June 1, 1949.

Approved April 29, 1949

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Governor

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Delegates