

HOUSE BILL 65

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By: **Delegate Bhandari**

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Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Environmental Health Specialists – Fees – General Fund**

3 FOR the purpose of repealing provisions of law creating the State Board of Environmental
4 Health Specialists Fund; requiring the State Board of Environmental Health
5 Specialists to pay certain money into the General Fund of the State; and generally
6 relating to the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

8 Article – Health Occupations

9 Section 21–101(a) and (b)

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

13 Article – Health Occupations

14 Section 21–206

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2014 Replacement Volume and 2020 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – Health Occupations**

20 21–101.

21 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

22 (b) “Board” means the State Board of Environmental Health Specialists.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 21–206.

2 (a) [In this section, “Fund” means the State Board of Environmental Health
3 Specialists Fund.

4 (b) There is a State Board of Environmental Health Specialists Fund.

5 (c) (1) The Board may set reasonable fees for the issuance and renewal of
6 licenses and its other services.

7 [(2) The fees charged shall be set so as to approximate the cost of
8 maintaining the Board.

9 (3) Funds to cover the compensation and expenses of the Board members
10 shall be generated by fees set under this section.

11 (d) (1) The Board shall remit all fees collected under this title to the
12 Comptroller.

13 (2) The Comptroller shall distribute the fees to the Fund.

14 (e) (1) The Fund shall be used to cover the actual documented direct and
15 indirect costs of fulfilling the statutory and regulatory duties of the Board as provided
16 under this article.

17 (2) The Fund is a continuing, nonlapsing fund and is not subject to § 7–302
18 of the State Finance and Procurement Article.

19 (3) Any unspent portions of the Fund may not be transferred or revert to
20 the General Fund of the State, but shall remain in the Fund to be used for the purposes
21 specified in this article.

22 (4) No other State money may be used to support the Fund.

23 (f) (1) A designee of the Board shall administer the Fund.

24 (2) Money in the Fund may be expended only for any lawful purpose
25 authorized under this article.

26 (g) The legislative auditor shall audit the accounts and transactions of the Fund
27 as provided in § 2–1220 of the State Government Article.]

28 **(B) THE BOARD SHALL PAY ANY MONEY COLLECTED UNDER THIS TITLE**
29 **INTO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE.**

30 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July

1 1, 2021.