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Testimony for Senate Bill 744  
State Board of Nursing - Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee - Membership and  
Meetings  
Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee  
March 2, 2021

Chairman Pinsky and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present Senate Bill 744 - State Board of Nursing - Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee - Membership and Meetings.

The State Board of Nursing Advisory Committee evaluates and makes recommendations to the full Board of Nursing regarding training programs, regulations, and enforcement. In addition, the Advisory Committee evaluates candidates and reviews investigations of complaints against nursing assistants or medication technicians and makes recommendations for disciplinary action.

Senate Bill 744 conforms the language regarding membership and meeting requirements for the State Board of Nursing Advisory Committee to be in line with other Board of Nursing subcommittees. As the Board of Nursing continues to be on the forefront of healthcare delivery in the State, Senate Bill 744 establishes consistency in the statute governing their makeup.

Thank you for your consideration and I respectfully ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 744.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Addie C. Eckardt".

Senator Addie C. Eckardt

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**Bill Number:** SB 744  
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The Maryland Nurses Association (MNA) supports *Senate Bill 744 – State Board of Nursing – Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee – Membership and Meetings*. The bill updates the law regarding membership and the functions of the Certified Nursing Assistant Advisory Committee Meeting. The Advisory Committee is under the Maryland Board of Nursing. With the bill’s proposed changes, the Advisory Committee will be more productive and enrich the Board’s work with certified nursing assistants.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony, and we urge a favorable vote. If we can provide any further information, please contact Robyn Elliott at [relliott@policypartners.net](mailto:relliott@policypartners.net) or (443) 926-3443.