



Committee: House Health and Government Operations Committee

Bill Number: House Bill 1130 - Health Occupations - Prohibition on Expiration of Licenses, Certificates, Permits, and Registrations

Hearing Date: March 3, 2022

Position: Support with Amendment

The Licensed Clinical Professional Counselors of Maryland (LCPCM) supports with amendment *House Bill 1130 - Health Occupations - Prohibition on Expiration of Licenses, Certificates, Permits, and Registrations*.

This bill will help address the issues related to the December 4, 2022 data breach at the Department of Health. Since the data breach occurred, boards have had difficulty timely processing license renewals. Although boards are now able to issue renewals, many of the boards still have significant backlogs. This bill will ensure that LCPCs will be able to continue working while the board work through their backlogs and the Department continues to address the data breach.

We do ask for an amendment to ensure that expiration dates are extended until at least 30 days after information technology systems are restored to allow boards to address any backlog.

On Page 1, line 21 after “until” insert “30 days after”

We ask for a favorable report on this bill. If we can provide any additional information, please contact Scott Tiffin at stiffin@policypartners.net or (443) 350-1325.