

STATE BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL  
ENGINEERS

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The State Board for Professional Engineers was established as the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors in 1939 (Chapter 752, Acts of 1939). In 1977, the Board was redesignated as the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers (Chapter 763, Acts of 1977). The Board received its present name in 1989 (Chapter 3, Acts of 1989).

Professional engineers, corporations, and partnerships wishing to practice in Maryland must apply to the Board for a certificate. Upon application, they must furnish evidence of their qualifications both in experience and training.

The Board enforces provisions of the registration law and restrains any violation of it. The Board can investigate charges as well as hear complaints of violations, subpoena witnesses, require the submission of documents or other data, and apply for relief by injunction.

The Board has six members appointed to five-year terms by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation. Two members represent the public. Four members are professional engineers who may be selected from lists of nominees recommended by the Maryland Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, or the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2003 (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 14-101 through 14-602).

STATE BOARD OF FORESTERS

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The State Board of Foresters began, in 1972, as the State Board of Registration for Foresters (Chapter 638, Acts of 1972). The Board was assigned to the Department of Licensing and Regulation in 1974 and received its present name in 1989 (Chapter 4, Acts of the Special Session of 1973; Chapter 3, Acts of 1989). The Board examines and licenses persons practicing forestry in Maryland.

The Board consists of seven members appointed to five-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. Five members must be registered professional foresters appointed from nominees of the Maryland Chapter, Society of American Foresters. They must have engaged in the practice of forestry for at least ten years prior to appointment. Authorization

for the Board continues until July 1, 2004 (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 7-101 through 7-602).

STATE BOARD OF HEATING,  
VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, &  
REFRIGERATION CONTRACTORS

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The State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors was created by Chapter 649, Acts of 1992, which became effective January 1, 1993. The Board licenses persons who provide or assist in providing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning and refrigeration.

The Governor appoints the Board's seven members with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation and Senate advice and consent. Members serve three-year terms. The Governor designates the chairperson (Code Business Regulation Article, secs. 9A-101 through 9A-602).

MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT  
COMMISSION

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The Maryland Home Improvement Commission was established in 1962 (Chapter 133, Acts of 1962). The Commission licenses and regulates contractors and salespersons in the home improvement industry, investigates complaints filed by home owners against individuals operating as home improvement contractors, and takes administrative or legal action against violators of the law.

The Commission's seven members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation. Three members must be from the home improvement industry, and one from the field of banking or finance. Three members are consumer representatives. The Governor designates the chairperson with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation. Authorization for the Commission continues until October 1, 1994 (Code Business Regulation Article, secs. 8-101 through 8-702).

STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED  
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