

**Maryland Board of Nursing**  
**COMAR 10.27.01**  
**Proposed Regulation Change Overview**

[COMAR 10.27.01](#) – outlines examination and licensure regulations for registered nurse and practical nurse applicants.

**What sections of COMAR 10.27.01 are being revised?**

[COMAR 10.27.01.02 Fees.](#)

**What changes are being made to COMAR 10.27.01.02?**

Fees are being increased under COMAR 10.27.01.02B. This includes initial and renewal licensure fees, verification of licensure, and returned check fees.

**Why are these changes being made?**

The Board relies on fee funding to support its operational and infrastructure costs and has not raised fees since 2007. According to evaluations of the Board conducted by Ernst & Young (EY), and the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability (OPEGA) in 2023, the Board is operating at a loss and will need to collect additional revenue. The proper functioning of the Board ensures the safety of all Marylanders through its regulatory responsibilities. Supporting the Board's many functions by raising fees aligns with its mission to preserve the field of nursing by advancing safe, quality care in Maryland through licensure, certification, education, and accountability for public protection.