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The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
Office of the President
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

In Re: Board of Nursing Annual Report
Health Occupations Article, § 8-205 (a)(8),
Annotated Code of Maryland

Dear President Miller:

The Board of Nursing submits the following annual report for Fiscal Year 2017, as required by the Health Occupations Article, § 8-205(a)(8), Annotated Code of Maryland.

FISCAL YEAR 2017

Initial and Renewal Licenses and Certificates Issued by the Board

Initial Licenses

Registered Nurses.....	5,468
Licensed Practical Nurses.....	514
Licensed Electrologists.....	2
Licensed Direct-entry Midwives	7
Total	5,991

Initial Certificates

Certified Nursing Assistants.....	5,100
Certified Medication Technicians	2,501
Total	7,601

Renewal Licenses

Registered Nurses	39,893
Licensed Practical Nurses	5,985
Nurse Licensure Compact/Endorsement	429
Licensed Electrologists	0
(Non-renewal year)	
Licensed Direct-entry Midwives	0
(Licensing started in January, 2017)	
Total	46,307

Renewal Certificates

Certified Nursing Assistants	27,350
Certified Medication Technicians	12,538
Total	39,888

Criminal History Record Checks

Positive Criminal History Record Check...	1,373
Negative History Record Checks.....	27,260
Total	29,063

Denial of Licenses and Certificates

Positive Criminal History Record Check.....	27
Denial for other reasons.....	11
Total.....	38

Complaints

Received.....	1,466
Open Complaints at end of FY 2017	2,500

Most Common Grounds for Complaints

- Positive Criminal History Record Check
- Licensees: Standard of care violations
- Certificate Holders: Abuse
- Discipline in another State

Number and types of disciplinary action taken by the Board

Suspensions (not for child support).....	40
Suspensions (for non-payment of child Support).....	215
Revocation.....	114
Reprimand.....	84
Probation.....	44

Denial of License or Certificate 38
Surrender of license for violations.....86

End of Report

Respectfully submitted,

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