

State of Maryland

Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

State Board of Pilots



Pilotage in Colonial Times

- Records in Maryland dating back to 1649 mention Pilots providing a:

safe, reliable, and efficient service



Maryland Legislation of 1787



The State of Maryland began regulating Pilots during its first legislative session by passing a law entitled:

*An ACT to establish pilots,
and to regulate their fees*

C H A P. XXVI.

WHEREAS it is necessary for the safety and preservation of vessels bound from this state to sea or coming into Chesapeake bay and bound up any river of this state, and to some port thereof, that able and experienced pilots should be established to conduct and pilot such vessels, for reasonable fees, to their several moorings, and that ignorant and unskillful persons should be prevented from undertaking such pilotage.

Maryland Legislation of 1787



- Established a
Board of Examiners to:
- Select and License Pilots (9', 12' and unlimited draft licenses)
 - Set licensing fees
 - Establish pilotage rates (8 shillings and 9 pence per half foot of draft)

Federal Lighthouse Act of 1789

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That all pilots in the bays, inlets, rivers, harbors and ports of the United States, shall continue to be regulated in conformity with the existing laws of the States respectively wherein such pilots may be, or with such laws as the States may respectively hereafter enact for the purpose, until further legislative provision shall be made by Congress.



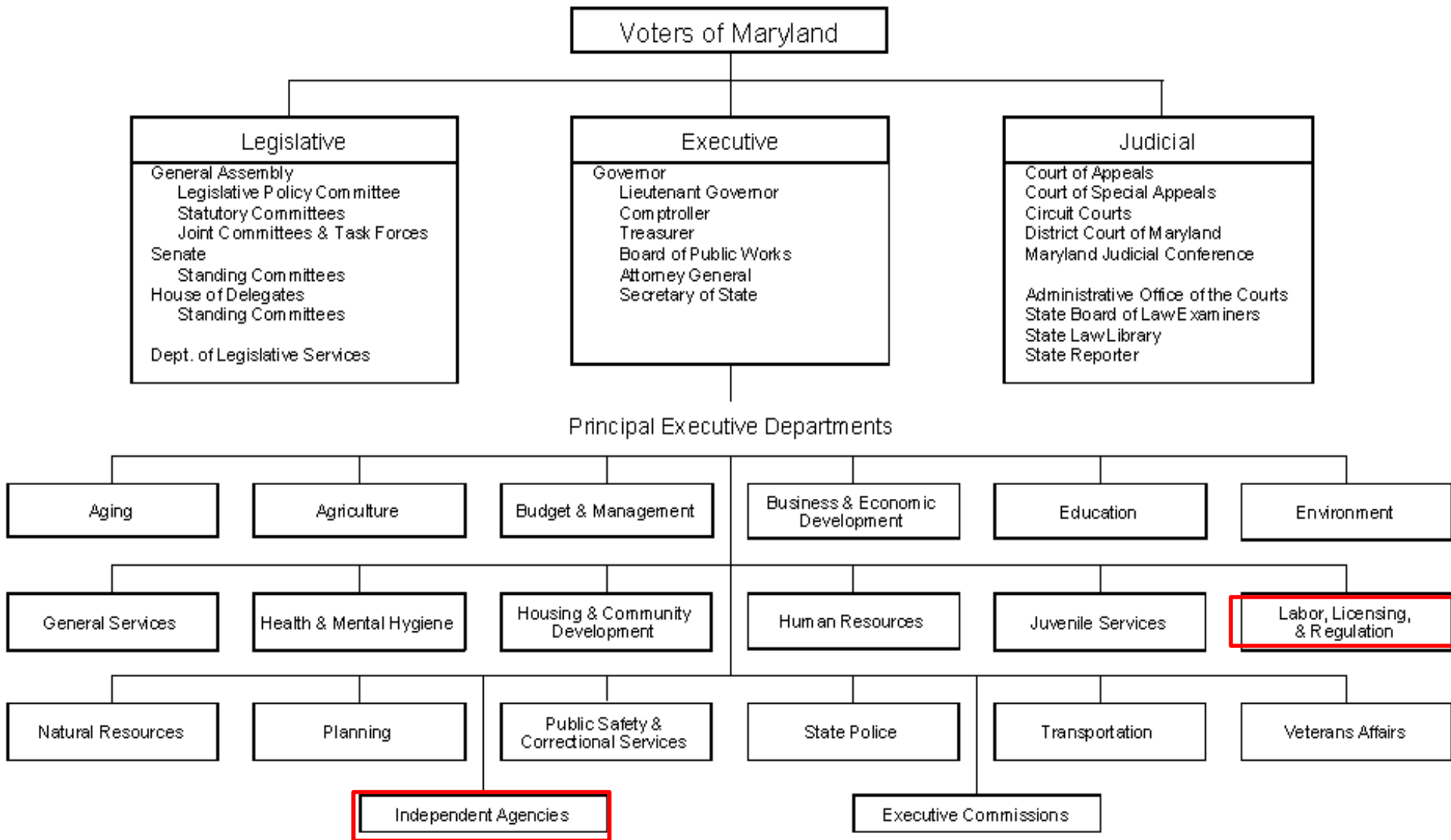
Maryland Legislation of 1852

- Combined 14 competing pilot companies into a single Pilot Association (first in the U.S.)
- Abolished tariff structure (reestablished in 1853)



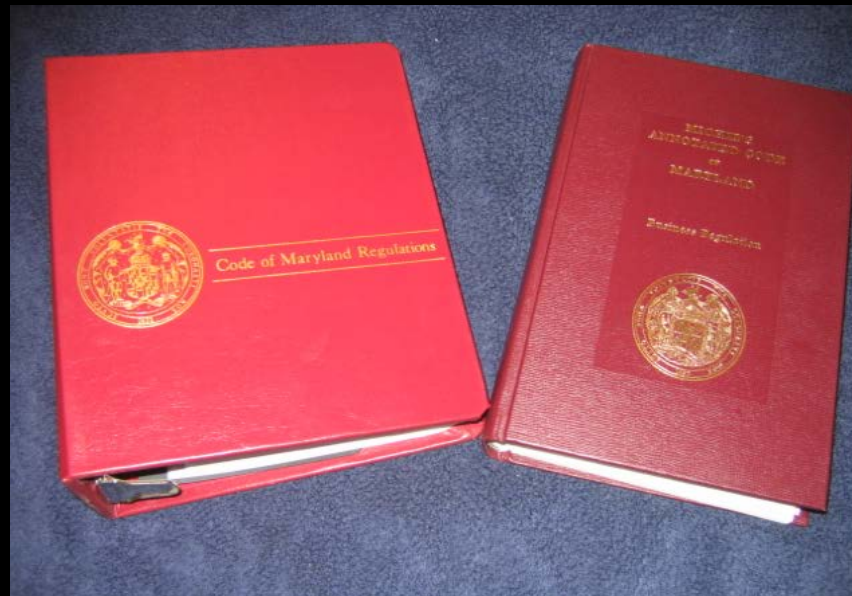
State Organizational Chart

OVERVIEW OF MARYLAND STATE GOVERNMENT



Current Regulation of Pilotage in Maryland

- Public Service Commission
- State Board of Pilots within the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation



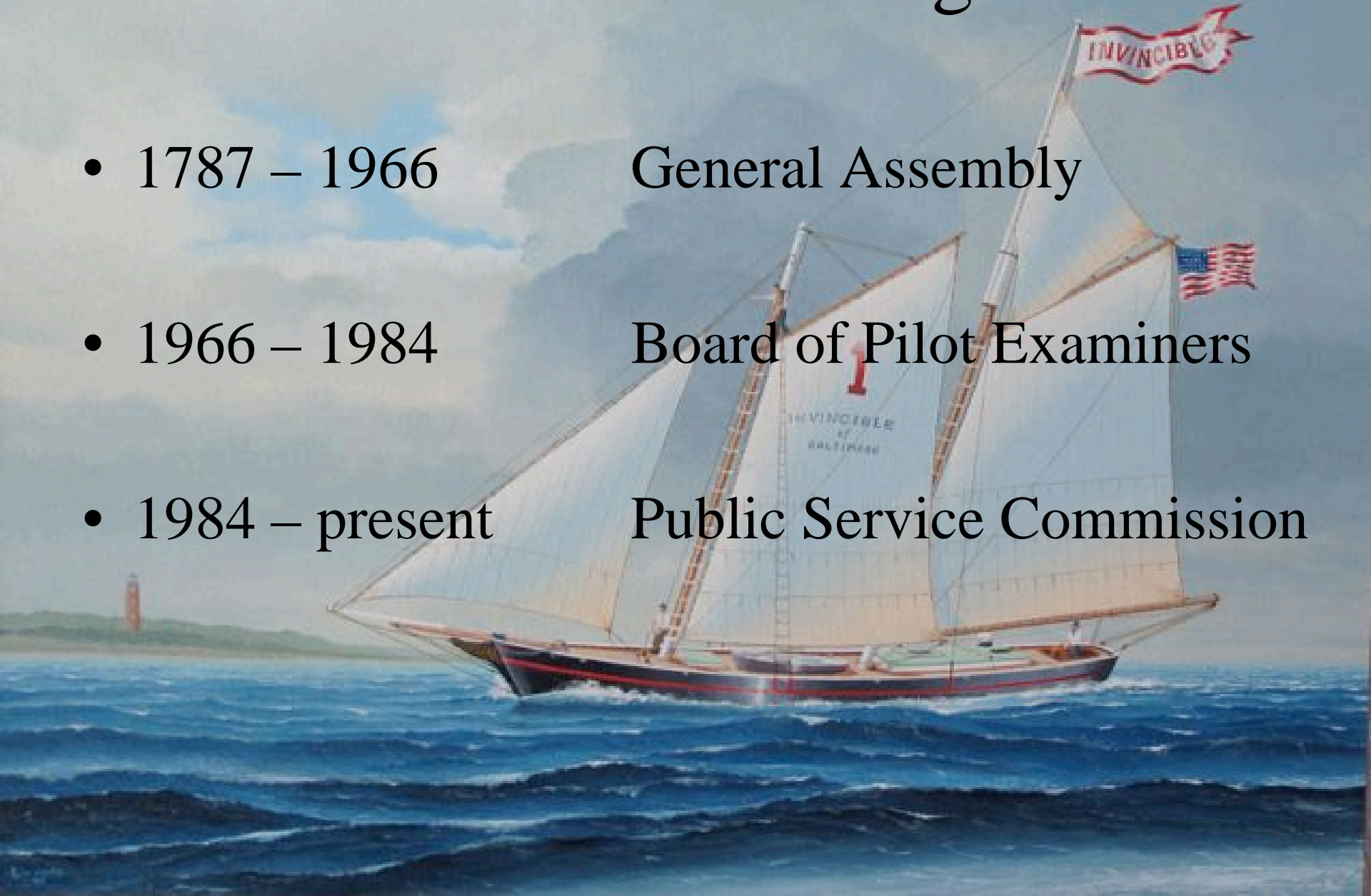


Public Service Commission



Evolution of Rate Setting Entities

- 1787 – 1966 General Assembly
- 1966 – 1984 Board of Pilot Examiners
- 1984 – present Public Service Commission





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Title 09 - Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation
Subtitle 26 - Board of Pilots



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State Board of Pilots

Board Membership
(Appointed by Governor)

§ 11-202.

(a) Composition; appointment of members.

(1) The Board consists of 9 members.

(2) Of the 9 members of the Board:

(i) 1 shall be the Secretary, as an ex officio member, or a designee of the Secretary;

(ii) 1 shall be the President of the Association;

(iii) 3 shall be retired or licensed pilots who have at least 5 years' experience providing pilotage;

(iv) 2 shall be members of the steamship industry who actively employ pilots;

(v) 1 shall be a representative of the ship docking tugboat industry in the Port of Baltimore; and

(vi) 1 shall be a consumer member.



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Welcome to our home page. The State Board of Pilots licenses and regulates pilots who pilot vessels on the navigable waters of the State under the provisions of Business Occupations and Professions Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, Title 11, and the Code of Maryland Regulations, Title 9, Subtitle 26.

Public Meetings

Regular business meetings of the State Board of Pilots are scheduled quarterly, at 500 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Maryland, at 10:30 am. - [DLLR calendar](#).

[Meeting Minutes](#)

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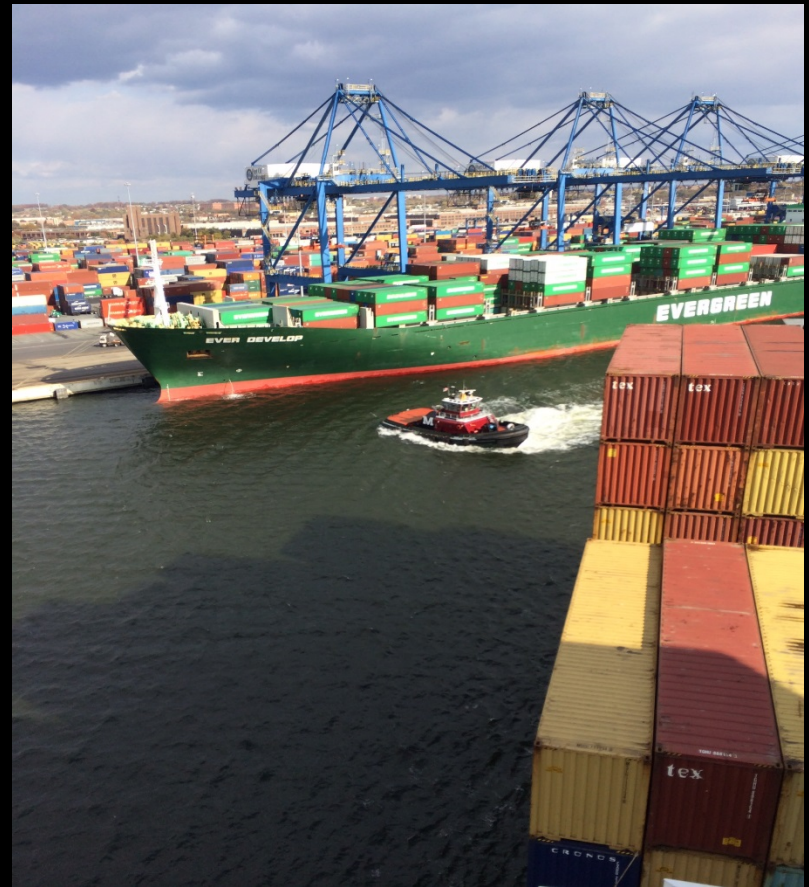
- **Administrative Staff**
 - Executive Director – Pamela Edwards
 - Assistant ED – James Baseman
 - Board Counsel – Elizabeth Trimble, Office of Attorney General
- **Meeting Schedule**
 - Quarterly, or more frequently if necessary
- **Funding**
 - Primarily through licensing fees
 - \$600 for an unlimited license
 - \$300 for a 40-foot-draft limited license
 - \$300 for a 36-foot-draft limited license
 - \$200 for a 32-foot-draft limited license



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Determining the Need for Additional Pilots

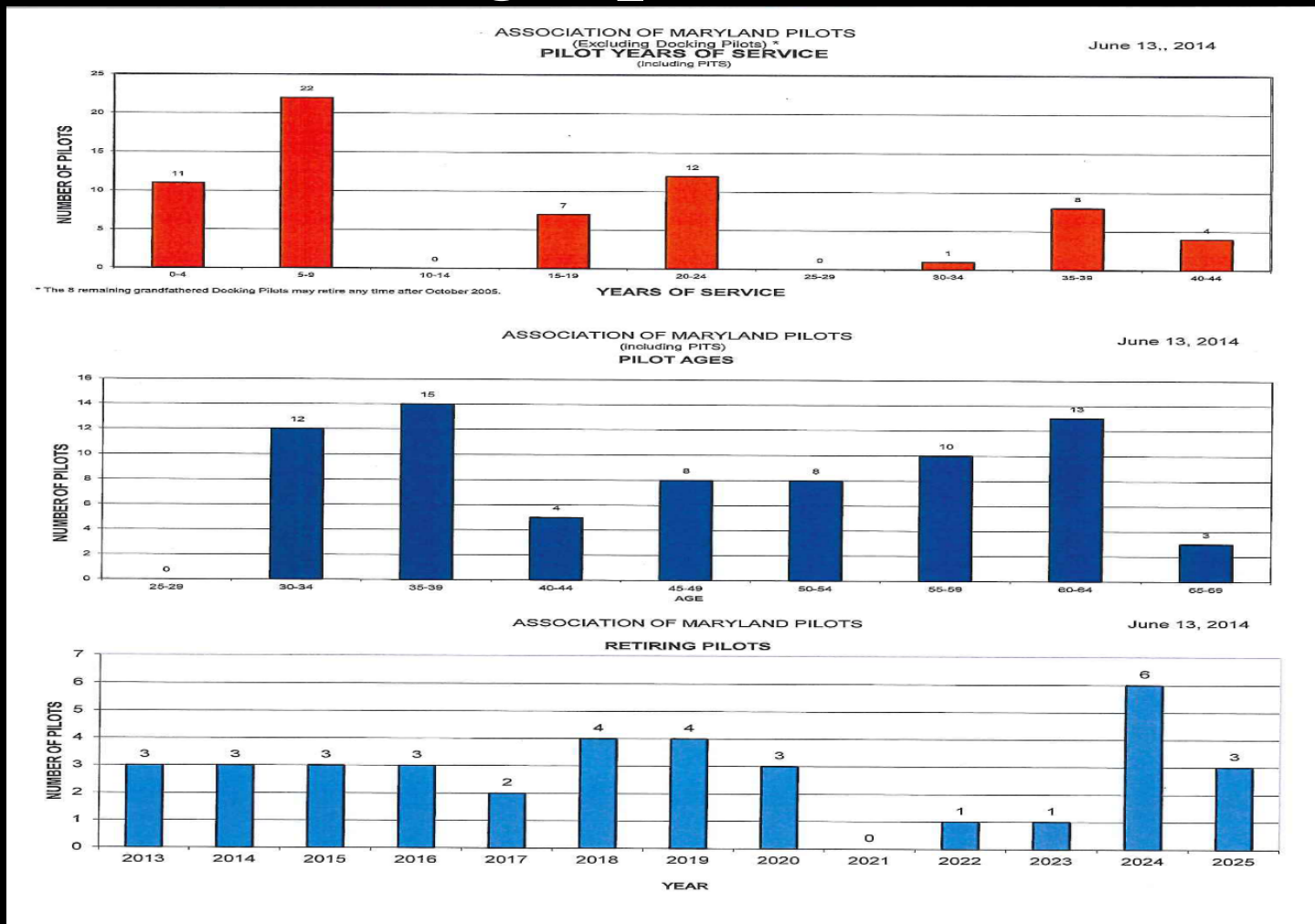
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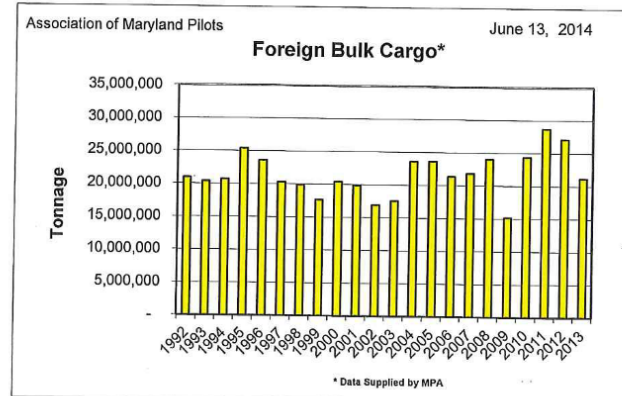
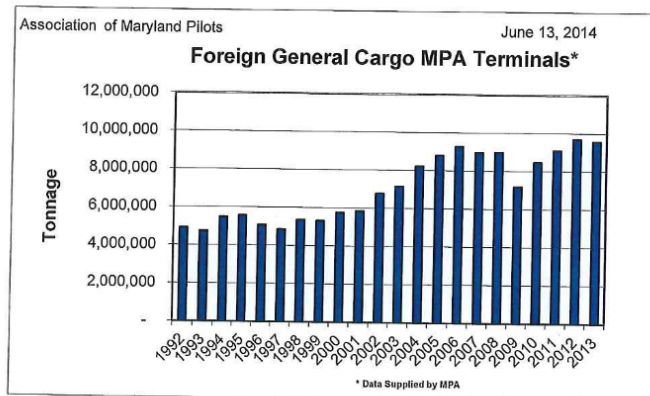
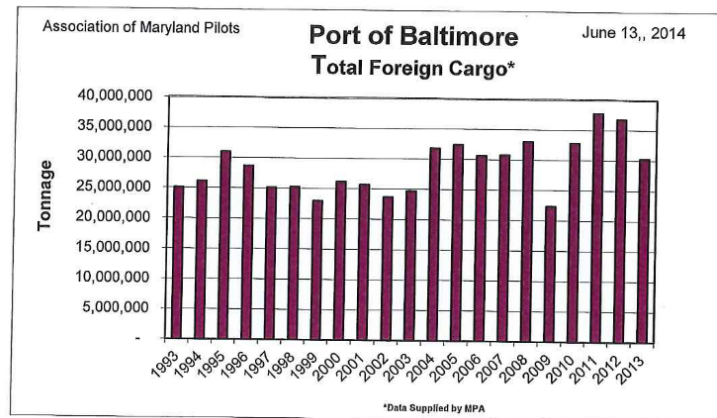
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Pilot Demographic Information



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Workload Trends



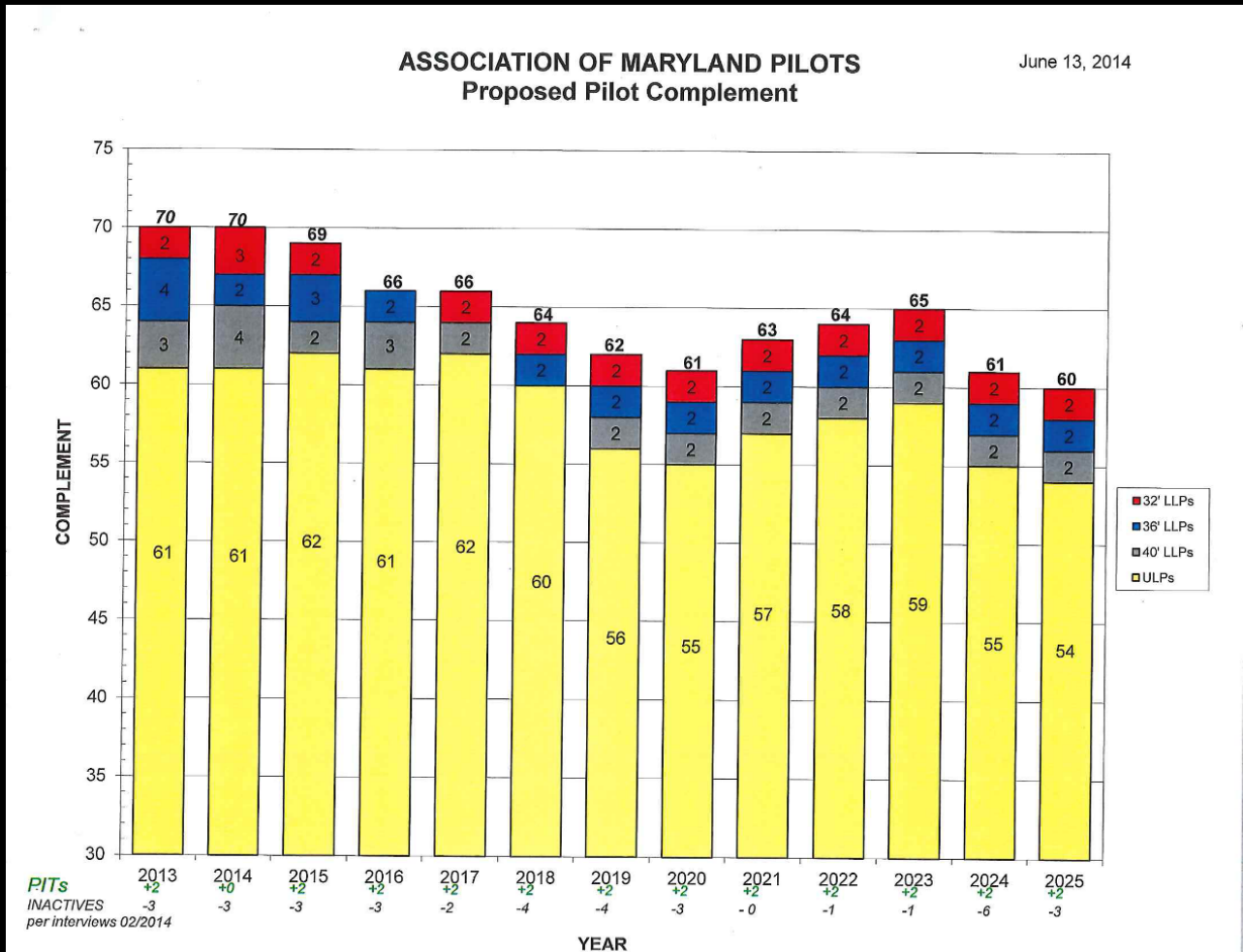
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Business Outlook

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Proposed Pilot Compliment



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Committees



- Applicant Selection
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Applicant Selection Committee

- Advertises in maritime trade journals and other forums
- Reviews and sorts applications
- Selects applicants for interviews
- Sends applicants on observer trips
- Ranks candidates





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Training Program



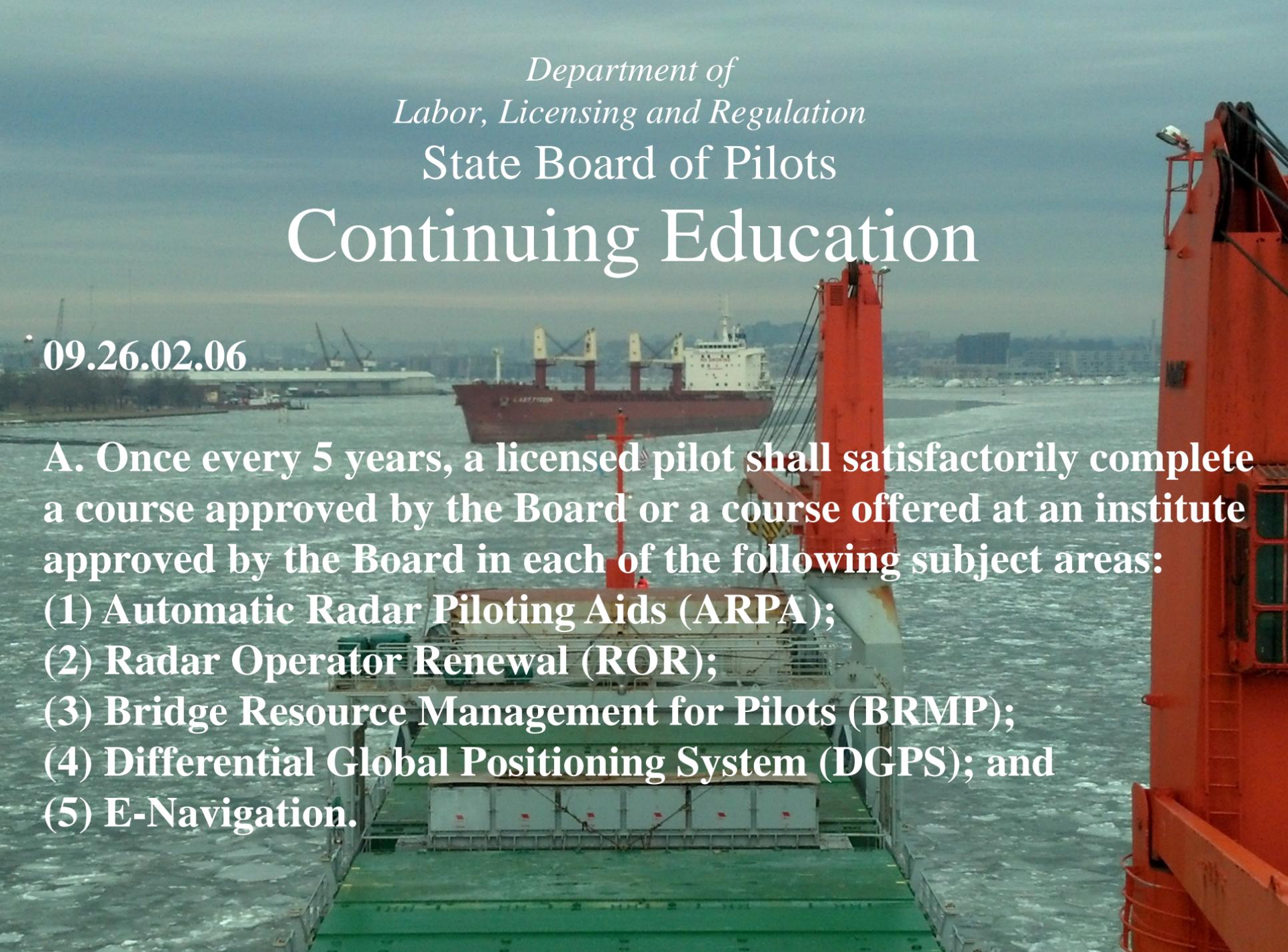
- A two year minimum Pilot-In-Training program
 - Riding with Senior Pilots on all routes
 - Quarterly exams
 - USCG Pilotage exams
- Followed by three limited license levels of at least one year each – 32, 36 and 40 foot draft



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Qualification Committee

09.26.01.02

B. The Qualification Committee may evaluate and conduct the actual observation of demonstrated performance required for licensure as a pilot under any kind of license at the direction of the Board and report its recommendation to the Board.



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Continuing Education

• 09.26.02.06

A. Once every 5 years, a licensed pilot shall satisfactorily complete a course approved by the Board or a course offered at an institute approved by the Board in each of the following subject areas:

- (1) Automatic Radar Piloting Aids (ARPA);**
- (2) Radar Operator Renewal (ROR);**
- (3) Bridge Resource Management for Pilots (BRMP);**
- (4) Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS); and**
- (5) E-Navigation.**



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Work Rules Committee

09.26.04.01

B. The Association shall submit to the Committee all proposed changes in the Association's work rules that affect pilot list administration, appointments, assignment intervals, or relief pilots.

C. The Committee may meet in person or through a conference call to consider and discuss whether any of the proposed changes affect safe operations of vessels by Maryland pilots and, if so, what action should be taken on them.

D. Within 15 days of the submission, the Committee shall notify the Association whether it has determined that any of the proposed changes affect safe operations of vessels by Maryland pilots, and if so, whether those changes have been preliminarily approved or have been referred to the full Board for its consideration.

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Code of Ethics - Maryland Board of Pilots

WORK RULES Executive Summary

Over the years, the Association of Maryland Pilots (the "Association") has developed a detailed system of Operational Rules and Administrative Rules that are intended to provide a framework and protocol for managing the details of the day-to-day operations of the Association. The intention of the Operational Rules is to set forth, by common agreement, the rules for appointing and dispatching pilots. These rules assure that all of the Members of the Association will share equally in the provision of pilotage services so that disputes regarding working issues will be substantially reduced and, hopefully, eliminated. The Administrative Rules provide the framework for the operation of the Association, delineate relationships between the Association and individual pilots, and specify services provided by the Association to its Members.

Operational Rules and Administrative Rules are created by three possible procedures. The Members of the Association may submit a resolution to a vote by all of the Full Voting Members. Similarly, the Association's Board of Supervisors may issue a ruling to resolve a dispute. Additionally, the President of the Association may issue a ruling clarifying how a particular question is to be handled.

The Operational Rules and Administrative Rules are divided into a number of chapters, each dealing with separate subject matters. The Operational Rules chapters include such topics as order of turns, appointment protocols, determination of North Point time and procedures for requesting relief pilots. Likewise, the Administrative Rules chapters are concerned with matters such as operation of the Association's Board of Supervisors, financial issues and drug testing.

The Operational Rules are intended to deal with the varying factors which impact the delivery of pilotage services by the Association's Members in a manner which will equalize the burdens and obligations of performing pilotage duties. For instance, ships are able to sail at differing speeds, and work loads need to be equalized between pilots working jobs on the several segments of the Bay run and those assigned to the C & D Canal run. In the winter, these services also need to be coordinated with the burdens assumed by pilots placed on a separately maintained Ice List.

Operational Rules determine when and where pilots will be appointed to ships and, as appropriate, flown to or from Cape Henry. They include provisions regarding rest periods, when and where relief pilots are to be requested and when such pilots should board or debark. The Operational Rules control how time is to be counted for purposes of placement on the rotation list and how the Members of the Association should deal with earned time off, compensatory time, going off duty and sick time. The ultimate goal of the Operational Rules is to remove any disputes between the Association's members concerning their sharing of pilotage assignments and their individual abilities to perform assigned pilotage duties safely and efficiently.

In general, the Operational Rules do not mandate safety in the provision of pilotage services. Rather, they put in place the procedures by which pilots can assure that they will be well rested and ready to undertake their professional duties when their turn comes up for assignment in the rotation list. Each pilot is responsible for making his or her own professional decisions with respect to how a particular assignment will be handled or whether there may be a problem with fatigue or sickness.

The Administrative Rules deal more with the functioning of the Association, its relationships with its member pilots and the services that it will and will not provide to its Members. Such rules take the Association beyond its bare statutory role as the collection agent for the member pilots and set up the infrastructure that the member pilots require in order to undertake their pilotage duties.

A background image of a harbor scene shrouded in thick fog. Several large ships and industrial cranes are visible in the distance, their forms softened by the mist. The overall tone is grey and atmospheric.

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State Board of Pilots
Incident Committee

09.26.01.03

B. The Incident Committee shall:

- (1) Review all complaints filed with the Board and reports of incidents filed by a licensed pilot; and
- (2) Make recommendations to the full Board on the disposition of each matter.

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Incident Committee

- Regularly liaises with USCG Sector Baltimore
- Reviews DLLR investigator reports
- Reviews USCG reports (when an investigation is performed)



A photograph of a submarine on the surface of the ocean. The submarine is dark and has several masts and antennas on its conning tower. To the left of the submarine, a whale is breaching the water, creating a splash. The text is overlaid on the upper part of the image.

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- Licensee Information
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Select Search Criteria

You may search for active licensees practicing in the State of Maryland as follows:

- By [Name](#) (Last Name, and optionally, City Name)
- By [Location](#) (City Name or Zip Code)
- By [License Registration Number](#) ("License Number")

Note: Please contact us if you need information regarding disciplinary actions against a licensee.

If you have any questions about performing the search or the results you receive, you may contact the Maryland Board of Bay Pilots, Monday-Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, at the following telephone numbers: 1-888-218-5925 (toll free) or 410-230-8322 (Baltimore area).

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Report on Incidents

A licensed pilot who is involved in an incident while piloting a vessel is required to submit a written report of the incident to the Board of Pilots within seven days. Incidents are reviewed by the Incident Committee, comprised of two members of the Board. The Incident Committee may refer a case for investigation if it feels more information is needed. If the Board feels that the licensee may have violated a section of the law or the regulations, the case is referred to the Assistant Attorney General for review for possible administrative charges. A hearing will then be scheduled before the Board. A Final Order will be issued by the Board, which can be appealed to the Circuit Court.

File a Complaint

A [complaint](#) against a licensed pilot may be filed by a member of the Board or by any other person. The complaint shall be in writing and shall state specifically the facts on which the complaint is based. The complaint shall be submitted to the Incident Committee. The Incident Committee shall investigate all complaints filed with the Board to determine if the facts alleged could form the basis for disciplinary actions against the licensee.

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