

1 SB387
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3 By Senator Sanford
4 RFD: Health and Human Services
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the advisory board for
9 the training, qualification, and licensing of
10 emergency medical services personnel consists of 25
11 members and meets at least once a year.

12 This bill would decrease the membership of
13 the advisory board from 25 voting members to 11
14 voting members and one nonvoting member, and would
15 provide that the advisory board meet at least
16 quarterly each year.

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18 A BILL
19 TO BE ENTITLED
20 AN ACT

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22 To amend Section 22-18-5, Code of Alabama 1975,
23 relating to the advisory board for the training,
24 qualification, and licensing of emergency medical services
25 personnel; to decrease the membership of the advisory board
26 from 25 voting members to 11 voting members and one nonvoting

1 member; and to increase the meetings of the advisory board
2 from at least once a year to at least quarterly each year.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

4 Section 1. Section 22-18-5 of the Code of Alabama
5 1975, is amended to read as follows:

6 "§22-18-5.

7 "(a) There shall be an advisory board of ~~25~~ 11
8 voting members and one nonvoting member to assist in the
9 establishment of rules, regulations, and standards necessary
10 to carry out ~~the provisions of~~ this article. The board shall
11 meet at least ~~once~~ quarterly each year and at the call of the
12 State Health Officer. The State Health Officer shall be an ex
13 officio member of the advisory board. The advisory board shall
14 elect one from its membership to serve as chair for a two-year
15 term. The chair shall not serve consecutive terms.

16 "(b) Composition of the advisory board shall be:

17 "(1) One member, who shall be a paramedic, as
18 designated by the Alabama Ambulance Association of Ambulance
19 Services.

20 "(2) One member, who shall be a paramedic, as
21 designated by the Alabama Association of Rescue Squads.

22 "(3) One member, who shall be a paramedic or a
23 physician, as designated by the Alabama Hospital Association.

24 "~~(4) One member designated by the State Committee on~~
25 ~~Trauma, American College of Surgeons.~~

26 "~~(5)~~ (4) One member designated by the Medical
27 Association of the State of Alabama.

1 ~~"(6) One member designated by the Director of Public~~
2 ~~Safety.~~

3 ~~"(7) One member designated by the Director of the~~
4 ~~State Department of Transportation.~~

5 ~~"(8) One member designated by the Department of~~
6 ~~Economic and Community Affairs, Highway Traffic and Safety~~
7 ~~Program.~~

8 ~~"(9)~~ (5) The State Health Officer, or his or her
9 ~~designee,~~ as an ex officio member with voting privileges.

10 ~~"(10)~~ (6) One member, who shall be a paramedic
11 ~~firefighter,~~ as designated by the ~~Professional Firefighters~~
12 ~~Association of Alabama~~ Joint Fire Council.

13 ~~"(11) One member who shall be an EMT firefighter~~
14 ~~designated by the Alabama Association of Volunteer Fire~~
15 ~~Departments.~~

16 ~~"(12) One member designated by the Alabama~~
17 ~~Association of Fire Chiefs.~~

18 ~~"(13) Two members designated by the Alabama Council~~
19 ~~on EMS to represent the designated regional EMS agencies.~~

20 ~~"(14) One member designated by the State Committee~~
21 ~~of Public Health.~~

22 ~~"(15) One member designated by the Alabama Chapter~~
23 ~~of the American College of Emergency Physicians.~~

24 ~~"(16) One member designated by the Alabama Chapter~~
25 ~~of the American Academy of Pediatrics.~~

1 "~~(17)~~(7) One member from a state approved paramedic
2 training school designated by the Alabama Emergency Medical
3 Services Education Committee.

4 "~~(18)~~(8) One member, who shall be ~~an EMT a~~
5 paramedic, as designated by the professional EMT association
6 ~~if a professional EMT association is designated by the Board~~
7 ~~of Health or pursuant to other procedure established by law~~
8 Alabama Emergency Medical Services Association.

9 "~~(19)~~(9) One member designated by the Alabama
10 ~~Chapter of the Emergency Nurses Association~~ Society of
11 Hospital Pharmacists.

12 "~~(20)~~(10) One member, who shall be a paramedic from
13 and designated by the Alabama League of Municipalities Air
14 Medical Services.

15 "~~(21)~~(11) One member designated by the Association
16 of County Commissions of Alabama.

17 "~~(22)~~ One member designated by the Alabama Emergency
18 Management Council.

19 "~~(23)~~ One member designated by the Alabama State
20 Nurses' Association.

21 "~~(24)~~ One member designated by the Alabama
22 Firefighters Association.

23 "~~(25)~~ One member designated by the Alabama Society
24 of Hospital Pharmacists.

25 "(12) The state Emergency Medical Services Director,
26 or his or her designee, as a nonvoting ad hoc member.

1 "(c) Each representative shall serve for a period of
2 four years or until his or her successor is appointed,
3 whichever is sooner.

4 "(d) Each ex officio member's term ~~will~~ shall be
5 indefinite. In the case of vacancy, the new appointee shall
6 serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any vacancy
7 shall be filled by the original organization selecting ~~said~~
8 the member. Members of the advisory board shall serve without
9 compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for
10 expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of their
11 office as provided in Article 2, commencing with Section
12 36-7-20, of Chapter 7 of Title 36 ~~of this code~~.

13 "(e) With the consent of the majority of the members
14 of the advisory board, the chair shall set requirements for
15 proxy representation, voting, and the establishment of a
16 quorum."

17 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
18 first day of the third month following its passage and
19 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.