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Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 1271

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BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Changes the membership of the La. Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1232.2(B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (b) and to enact 3 R.S. 40:1232.2(B)(1)(d) and (e), relative to the Louisiana Emergency Medical 4 Services Certification Commission; to provide for membership; to provide for a date 5 for change of certain membership; and to provide for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1232.2(B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (b) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 40:1232.2(B)(1)(d) and (e) are hereby enacted to read as follows: 8 9 §1232.2. Louisiana Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission; 10 creation; membership; qualifications; terms; vacancies; meetings; officers; 11 compensation; domicile 12 13 B.(1) The commission shall be composed of nine eleven voting members 14 appointed by the governor as follows: 15 16 (b) Two certified emergency medical technician-paramedics and one 17 emergency medical technician-basic, at least one of whom shall be a full-time employee of a fire department, who are certified as emergency medical services 18 19 instructors by the bureau. <u>Until November 6, 2011</u>, or the member's resignation from the commission, whichever is earlier, at least one of the members as provided in this 20 21 Subparagraph shall be a full-time employee of a fire department. After November

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1 6, 2011, or the member's resignation from the commission, at least one of the 2 members as provided in this Subparagraph shall be appointed by the Louisiana Fire 3 Chiefs Association. 4 5 (d) One member who is, at a minimum, a state-certified emergency medical technician-basic nominated by the Louisiana Municipal Association. 6 7 (e) One member nominated by the Professional Firefighters Association of 8 Louisiana. 9

DIGEST

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Abstract: Changes the composition of the La. Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission <u>from</u> nine members <u>to</u> 11 members. Requires that one of the members be appointed by the La. Fire Chiefs Association. Adds a member nominated by the La. Municipal Association who is at a minimum an emergency medical technician-basic and a member nominated by the Professional Firefighters Association of La.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the La. Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission shall be composed of nine voting members appointed by the governor.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds two members to change the composition of the commission to 11 voting members appointed by the governor.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the voting members of the commission shall be composed of two emergency medical services administrators, including one representing the private sector and one representing the public sector; two certified emergency medical technician-paramedics and one emergency medical technician-basic, at least one of whom shall be a full-time employee of a fire department, who are certified as emergency medical services instructors by the bureau; and four physicians, one each from the American College of Emergency Physicians, the American College of Surgeons, the La. State Medical Society, and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and changes the requirement that a member be a full-time employee of a fire department by providing that, after the current term is finished or the member resigns, a member shall be appointed by the La. Fire Chiefs Association.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds two members, one nominated by the La. Municipal Association, who is, at a minimum, a state-certified emergency medical technician-basic, and one nominated by the Professional Firefighters Association of La.

(Amends R.S. 40:1232.2(B)(1)(intro. para.) and (b); Adds R.S. 40:1232.2(B)(1)(d) and (e))

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Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Health and Welfare</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

1. Added that the member who is nominated by the La. Municipal Association must also be, at a minimum, a state-certified emergency medical technician-basic.