

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the Governor's EMS and Trauma Advisory Council.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Sections 773.012(b) and (f), Health and Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:

(b) The advisory council is composed of the following 19 [~~15~~] members appointed by the governor:

(1) a board-certified emergency physician, appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide professional association of emergency physicians;

(2) a licensed physician who is an emergency medical services medical director, appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide professional association of emergency medical services medical directors;

(3) a registered nurse, appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide professional association of emergency nurses;

(4) a fire chief for a municipality that provides emergency medical services, appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide fire chiefs association;

(5) [~~4~~] an officer or employee of a private provider of emergency medical services who is involved with the development of a Texas Trauma System, appointed from a list of names

1 recommended by a statewide association of private providers of
2 emergency medical services;

3 (6) [~~(5)~~] a volunteer who provides emergency medical
4 services, appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide
5 association of volunteers;

6 (7) [~~(6)~~] an educator in the field of emergency
7 medical services;

8 (8) [~~(7)~~] a member of an emergency medical services
9 air medical team or unit, appointed from a list of names recommended
10 by a statewide emergency medical services air medical association;

11 (9) [~~(8)~~] a representative of a fire department that
12 provides emergency medical services, appointed from a list of names
13 recommended by a statewide association of firefighters;

14 (10) [~~(9)~~] a representative of hospitals who is
15 affiliated with a hospital that is a designated trauma facility in
16 an urban community, appointed from a list of names recommended by a
17 statewide association of hospitals;

18 (11) [~~(10)~~] a representative of hospitals, who is
19 affiliated with a hospital that is a designated trauma facility in a
20 rural community, appointed from a list of names recommended by a
21 statewide association of hospitals;

22 (12) [~~(11)~~] a representative of a county provider of
23 emergency medical services;

24 (13) [~~(12)~~] one licensed physician who is a
25 pediatrician with trauma or emergency care expertise;

26 (14) [~~(13)~~] one trauma surgeon;

27 (15) [~~or~~] one registered nurse with trauma expertise;

1 (16) a representative of a stand-alone emergency
2 medical services agency in a municipality or taxing district,
3 appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide
4 association representing emergency medical services agencies;

5 (17) a certified paramedic, appointed from a list of
6 names recommended by a statewide association representing
7 emergency medical services agencies or emergency medical services
8 personnel; and

9 (18) [~~(14)~~] two representatives of the general public
10 who are not qualified to serve under another subdivision of this
11 subsection.

12 (f) Members of the advisory council serve staggered
13 six-year terms with the terms of six or seven [~~five~~] members
14 expiring January 1 of each even-numbered year. A vacancy on the
15 advisory council is filled in the same manner as the original
16 appointment for the unexpired term.

17 SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2019, the governor
18 shall appoint the members of the council as required by Section
19 773.012(b)(3), Health and Safety Code, as amended by this Act, and
20 Section 773.012(b)(15), Health and Safety Code, as added by this
21 Act.

22 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
23 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
24 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
25 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
26 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1869 was passed by the House on May 3, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1869 on May 24, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 142, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1869 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor