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H.B. No. 1869

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to the composition of the Governor's EMS and Trauma  
3 Advisory Council.

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

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

7 (b) The advisory council is composed of the following 17  
8 [~~15~~] members appointed by the governor:

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

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

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

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

22 (5) [~~4~~] an officer or employee of a private  
23 provider of emergency medical services who is involved with the  
24 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 and

2           (16) [~~(14)~~] two representatives of the general  
3 public who are not qualified to serve under another subdivision of  
4 this subsection.

5           (f) Members of the advisory council serve staggered  
6 six-year terms with the terms of five or six members expiring  
7 January 1 of each even-numbered year. A vacancy on the advisory  
8 council is filled in the same manner as the original appointment for  
9 the unexpired term.

10           SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2019, the governor  
11 shall appoint the members of the council as required by Section  
12 [773.012\(b\)\(3\)](#), Health and Safety Code, as amended by this Act, and  
13 Section [773.012\(b\)\(15\)](#), Health and Safety Code, as added by this  
14 Act.

15           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
17 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2019.