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H.B. No. 3605

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. Section 773.012(b), Health and Safety Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b) The advisory council is composed of the following 20  
8 [~~19~~] 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) an officer or employee of a private provider of  
23 emergency medical services who is involved with the development of  
24 a Texas Trauma System, appointed from a list of names recommended by

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

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

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

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

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

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

22 (12) a representative of a county provider of  
23 emergency medical services;

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

26 (14) one trauma surgeon;

27 (15) 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) a representative of an ambulatory surgical  
10 center, appointed from a list of names recommended by a statewide  
11 association representing ambulatory surgical centers; and

12           (19) two representatives of the general public who are  
13 not qualified to serve under another subdivision of this  
14 subsection.

15           SECTION 2. Not later than December 1, 2021, the governor  
16 shall appoint the member of the council as required by Section  
17 [773.012\(b\)\(18\)](#), Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act.

18           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
19 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
20 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
21 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
22 Act takes effect September 1, 2021.