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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the composition of the radiation advisory board.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 401.015(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  The radiation advisory board is composed of the following 19 [~~18~~] members appointed by the governor:

(1)  one representative from industry who is trained in nuclear physics, science, or nuclear engineering;

(2)  one representative from labor;

(3)  one representative from agriculture;

(4)  one representative from the insurance industry;

(5)  one individual who is engaged in the use and application of nuclear physics in medicine and is certified by the American Board of Radiology or licensed by the Texas Medical Board under Chapter 602, Occupations Code;

(6)  one hospital administrator;

(7)  one individual licensed by the Texas Medical Board who specializes in nuclear medicine;

(8)  one individual licensed by the Texas Medical Board who specializes in pathology;

(9)  one individual licensed by the Texas Medical Board who specializes in radiology;

(10)  one representative from the nuclear utility industry;

(11)  one representative from the radioactive waste industry;

(12)  one representative from the petroleum industry;

(13)  one health physicist certified by the American Board of Health Physics;

(14)  one individual licensed by the State Board of Dental Examiners;

(15)  one representative from the uranium mining industry; [~~and~~]

(16)  one individual licensed by the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners; and

(17)  three representatives of the public.

SECTION 2.  As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, the governor shall appoint an individual licensed by the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners to the radiation advisory board as required by Section 401.015, Health and Safety Code, as amended by this Act.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.