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HOUSE BILL NO. 1157

Offered January 22, 1996

A BILL to amend and reenact § 32.1-114 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board.

Patrons—Hargrove; Senator: Bolling

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §32.1-114 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 32.1-114. State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board.

A. The State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board shall be composed of not more than ~~thirty-seven~~ *twenty-four* members. The membership of the Advisory Board shall include *one representative representative of each of* ~~from~~ the following groups who shall be appointed by the Governor: Virginia Municipal League, Virginia Association of Counties, Medical Society of Virginia, ~~Old Dominion Medical Society,~~ *Virginia Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians,* *Virginia Chapter of the American College of Surgeons,* ~~Neuro-Psychiatric Society of Virginia,~~ *Virginia Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics,* *one member of either the Virginia Nurses' Association or the Emergency Nurses Association,* *Virginia Pharmaceutical Association,* *Emergency Nurses Association,* *Virginia Affiliate of the American Heart Association,* *University of Virginia Medical School,* *Virginia Commonwealth University Medical College of Virginia,* *Medical College of Hampton Roads,* *Virginia Hospital Association,* *American Red Cross,* *Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads, Inc.,* *Virginia State Fireman's Firefighters Association,* *State Fire Chiefs Association of Virginia,* *commercial emergency medical services,* *Virginia Ambulance Association,* *governmental emergency medical services,* *Virginia Association of Governmental Emergency Medical Services Administrators,* *The Associated the Virginia Association of Public Safety Communications Officers Officials,* *State Department of Emergency Services,* *Department of Motor Vehicles,* *the Virginia Health Planning Board,* *three consumers a consumer who shall not be involved in or affiliated with emergency medical services in any capacity, and each the eight regional emergency medical services council councils, and two members of the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads, Inc.* Appointments may be made from lists of nominees submitted by such organizations and groups, where applicable. Each regional emergency medical services advisory council shall submit three nominations, at least one of which shall be a representative of providers of prehospital care.

B. ~~Of the members first appointed to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board, ten members shall be appointed for a term of one year and the remaining members for a term of two years. Members serving on the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board on January 1, 1996, shall complete their current term of office.~~ Thereafter, appointments shall be made to accomplish the restructuring of the Advisory Board according to the membership in effect on July 1, 1996, and shall be made for terms of ~~two~~ *three* years or the unexpired portions thereof in a manner to preserve insofar as possible the representation of the specified groups. No member may serve more than ~~three~~ *two* successive terms. The chairman shall be elected from the membership of the *State* Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board for a term of one year and shall be eligible for reelection. The Advisory Board shall meet at least four times annually at the call of the chairman or the Commissioner.

C. The *State* Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board shall:

1. Advise the State Board of Health in the administration of this article and Article 5 (§ 32.1-148 et seq.) of Chapter 5 of this title; and

2. Review and make recommendations on the Statewide Emergency Medical Services Plan and any revisions thereto.

2. Notwithstanding the provisions of §32.1-114 to the contrary, reappointments or eliminations of representation on the State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board for those members serving on January 1, 1996, whose term of office expires before July 1, 1996, shall be made according to the provisions of this act.

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