VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

An Act to amend and reenact § 23-231.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Southwest Virginia Higher Education Center.

[H 836]

Approved

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 23-231.3 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 23-231.3. Membership of governing board; terms; compensation; officers.

A. The Center shall be governed by a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Director of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia or his designee, the Chancellor of the Virginia Community College System or his designee, the presidents or their designees of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, *Radford University,* the University of Virginia, Clinch Valley College, and Virginia Highlands Community College, and five citizen members to be appointed by the Governor, representing Southwest public education and area business and industry, including one school division superintendent and one public school teacher. Five members of the General Assembly, including three members of the House of Delegates to be appointed by the Speaker and two members of the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, shall serve as ex officio members of the Board with full voting privileges. Citizen members of the Board shall be chosen from among residents of the Southwest region of the Commonwealth.

B. Legislative members and the representatives of the State Council, the Virginia Community College System, and the named institutions of higher education shall serve on the Board until the expiration of their terms of office or until their successors shall qualify. Of the five citizen members to be appointed in 1991, two shall be appointed for three-year terms, and three shall be appointed for four-year terms. Thereafter, all such citizen appointments shall be for terms of four years, except that appointments to fill vacancies shall be for the unexpired terms.

No citizen member of the Board shall be eligible to serve for or during more than two successive four-year terms, but after the expiration of a term of three years or less, or after the expiration of the remainder of a term to which appointed to fill a vacancy, two additional four-year terms may be served by such member if appointed thereto.

C. Legislative members of the Board shall be compensated as specified in § 14.1-18, and all members of the Board shall be reimbursed for their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in the work of the Center.

D. The Board shall elect a chairman and a vice chairman from among its members.