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**By: Chairman, Environmental Matters Committee (Departmental - Md. Inst. of Emer. Medical Serv. Sys.)**

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Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Emergency Medical Services - Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the Emergency Medical Services  
4 Advisory Council.

5 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

6 Article - Education

7 Section 13-1D-11

8 Annotated Code of Maryland

9 (1992 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

10 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

11 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

12 **Article - Education**

13 13-1D-11.

14 (a) There is a statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council to advise  
15 and assist the EMS Board in performing its functions.

16 (b) (1) The Advisory Council consists of [27] 28 members. The members shall  
17 be appointed by the Board from a list of three qualified nominees submitted to the Board  
18 by their respective organizations or associations represented on the Council. The  
19 appointments by the Board shall be subject to the approval of the Governor.

20 (2) Of the [27] 28 members:

21 (i) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Chapter of the  
22 American College of Emergency Physicians;

23 (ii) One shall be a representative of the Medical and Chirurgical  
24 Faculty of Maryland;

25 (iii) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Hospital  
26 Association;

27 (iv) One shall be a representative of the Maryland State Council of the  
28 Emergency Nurses Association;

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1 (v) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Fire and Rescue  
2 Institute;

3 (vi) One shall be a representative of the Maryland State Firemen's  
4 Association;

5 (vii) One shall be a representative of the Aviation Division of the  
6 Department of State Police;

7 (viii) One shall be a representative of the Highway Safety Division of the  
8 Maryland Department of Transportation;

9 (ix) One shall be a representative from each of the five regional  
10 emergency medical services advisory councils;

11 (x) One shall be a representative of the Maryland trauma net;

12 (xi) One shall be a representative of a Maryland commercial  
13 ambulance service;

14 (xii) One shall be a representative of the Board of Physician Quality  
15 Assurance;

16 (xiii) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Chapter, American  
17 College of Surgeons;

18 (xiv) One shall be a regional medical director;

19 (xv) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Chapter  
20 (Chesapeake Bay), American Association of Critical Care Nurses;

21 (xvi) One shall be a representative of the Maryland/District of  
22 Columbia International Association of Firefighters;

23 (xvii) One shall be a representative of the volunteer field providers;

24 (xviii) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Metropolitan Fire  
25 Chiefs;

26 (xix) One shall be a representative of the State Emergency Numbers  
27 Board (911);

28 (xx) One shall be the Director of the Center;

29 (xxi) One shall be the Director of the National Study Center; [and]

30 (xxii) Two shall be members of the general public, one of whom shall  
31 reside in a county with a population of less than 175,000; AND

32 (XXIII) ONE SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
33 PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS,  
34 MARYLAND CHAPTER.

35 (c) Each appointed member of the Council shall have demonstrated interest or  
36 experience in the delivery of emergency medical services.

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1           (d) The members of the Advisory Council shall annually elect the chairperson of  
2 the Advisory Council, with the approval of the Governor. The Governor shall have 60  
3 days to approve the elected chairperson. If the Governor has not acted within 60 days of  
4 being notified of the election of the chairperson, the elected chairperson shall be deemed  
5 approved.

6           (e) The Advisory Council shall:

7                   (1) Serve as a principal advisory body to the EMS Board on matters  
8 concerning finances, policies, guidelines, regulations, and procedures necessary for the  
9 efficient and effective operation of the statewide Emergency Medical Services System and  
10 the Institute;

11                   (2) Provide a means by which regional emergency medical services interests  
12 can be represented at a statewide level;

13                   (3) Assist in the development of goals for and facilitate the implementation  
14 of a comprehensive emergency medical services plan;

15                   (4) Provide assistance in the resolution of interregional and interstate  
16 emergency medical services system problems and concerns; and

17                   (5) Perform any other duties as may be requested by the EMS Board or the  
18 Governor.

19           (f) The staff for the Advisory Council will be provided by the Institute.

20           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
21 July 1, 1996.