

SENATE BILL 45

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By: **Senator Lenett**

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life – Membership**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the State Advisory Council on Quality
4 Care at the End of Life; and generally relating to the membership of the State
5 Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Health – General
8 Section 13–1601
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Health – General
13 Section 13–1602(a)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Health – General**

19 13–1601.

20 There is a State Advisory Council on Quality Care at the End of Life.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike-out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 13–1602.

2 (a) The Advisory Council consists of the following [20] **21** members:

3 (1) The Attorney General or the Attorney General’s designee;

4 (2) One member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the
5 President of the Senate of Maryland;

6 (3) One member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker
7 of the House;

8 (4) The Secretary of Aging or the Secretary’s designee;

9 (5) The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or the Secretary’s
10 designee; [and]

11 **(6) THE SECRETARY OF DISABILITIES OR THE SECRETARY’S**
12 **DESIGNEE; AND**

13 ~~[(6)]~~ **(7)** 15 members appointed by the Governor:

14 (i) One physician with experience in end-of-life care;

15 (ii) One nurse with experience in end-of-life care;

16 (iii) One pharmacist with experience in end-of-life care;

17 (iv) One physician with experience managing long-term care;

18 (v) One nurse with experience managing long-term care;

19 (vi) One representative of the health insurance industry;

20 (vii) One representative from a managed care organization;

21 (viii) One representative of the legal community;

22 (ix) One representative from the hospice care community;

23 (x) Two representatives from advocacy groups for end-of-life
24 care;

25 (xi) Two representatives from religious groups; and

1 (xii) Two representatives of the general public with experience
2 with end-of-life or long-term care issues.

3 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
4 October 1, 2008.

Approved:

Governor.

President of the Senate.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.