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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Public Safety – ~~Emergency Medical Services Board~~ Statewide Emergency**
3 **Medical Services Advisory Council – Membership**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the membership of the ~~State Emergency Medical Services~~
5 ~~Board~~ statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council by increasing
6 the number of members who are from the ~~public at large~~ general public and by
7 adding one member who is a helicopter pilot ~~employed by the Department of~~
8 ~~State Police within the Aviation Division~~; making corrections to the names of
9 certain organizations; and generally relating to the ~~State Emergency Medical~~
10 ~~Services Board~~ statewide Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article – Education
13 Section 13–511(a)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
17 Article – Education
18 Section ~~13–505~~ 13–511(b)
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2009 Supplement)

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

3 Article – Education

4 ~~13-505.~~

5 (a) (1) ~~The EMS Board consists of [11] 13 members appointed by the~~
6 ~~Governor.~~

7 (2) ~~Of the [11] 13 members:~~

8 (i) ~~One shall be the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene or~~
9 ~~the Secretary's designee;~~

10 (ii) ~~One shall be a representative of the University of Maryland,~~
11 ~~Baltimore, nominated by the Board of Regents;~~

12 (iii) ~~One shall be the chairperson of the Advisory Council;~~

13 (iv) ~~One shall be a physician knowledgeable in the delivery of~~
14 ~~emergency medical services;~~

15 (v) ~~One shall be a physician experienced in the clinical care of~~
16 ~~trauma patients;~~

17 (vi) ~~One shall be a nurse experienced in the clinical care of~~
18 ~~emergency patients;~~

19 (vii) ~~One shall be a career firefighter, emergency medical~~
20 ~~technician, or rescue squad person knowledgeable in the delivery of emergency~~
21 ~~medical services;~~

22 (viii) ~~One shall be a volunteer firefighter, emergency medical~~
23 ~~technician, or rescue squad person knowledgeable in the delivery of emergency~~
24 ~~medical services;~~

25 (ix) ~~One shall be a hospital administrator knowledgeable in the~~
26 ~~management and delivery of emergency medical services; [and]~~

27 ~~(x) ONE SHALL BE A HELICOPTER PILOT EMPLOYED BY THE~~
28 ~~DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE WITHIN THE AVIATION DIVISION; AND~~

29 ~~[(x)] (xi) [Two] THREE shall be from the public at large, one of~~
30 ~~whom shall reside in a county with a population of less than 175,000.~~

1 ~~(b) (1) Each appointed member shall have demonstrated interest or~~
2 ~~experience in the delivery of emergency medical services.~~

3 ~~(2) In appointing members to the EMS Board, the Governor shall take~~
4 ~~into consideration the five emergency medical service regions of the State to assure a~~
5 ~~geographic balance in the Board's membership.~~

6 ~~(3) In appointing members to the EMS Board, the Governor shall take~~
7 ~~into consideration persons:~~

8 ~~(i) Recommended by the Advisory Council; or~~

9 ~~(ii) Recommended by any statewide organization or association~~
10 ~~which is interested and involved in the delivery of emergency medical services.~~

11 ~~(4) Except as authorized under this section, the Governor may not~~
12 ~~appoint to the EMS Board any other person who is:~~

13 ~~(i) A member of the Board of Regents;~~

14 ~~(ii) A member of the Board of Directors of the Medical System~~
15 ~~Corporation; or~~

16 ~~(iii) An officer or full-time employee of the Medical System~~
17 ~~Corporation or the University.~~

18 ~~(e) (1) The term of an appointed member is 4 years.~~

19 ~~(2) At the end of a term, an appointed member continues to serve until~~
20 ~~a successor is appointed and qualifies.~~

21 ~~(3) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for~~
22 ~~the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.~~

23 ~~(d) Annually, from among the members of the EMS Board:~~

24 ~~(1) The Governor shall appoint a chairperson; and~~

25 ~~(2) The chairperson shall appoint a vice chairperson.~~

26 13-511.

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

29 (b) (1) The Advisory Council consists of [29] 31 members. The members
30 shall be appointed by the Board from a list of three qualified nominees submitted to

1 the Board by their respective organizations or associations represented on the Council.
2 The appointments by the Board shall be subject to the approval of the Governor.

3 (2) Of the [29] 31 members:

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

6 (ii) One shall be a representative of [the Medical and
7 Chirurgical Faculty of Maryland] **MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL**
8 **SOCIETY;**

9 (iii) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Hospital
10 Association;

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

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

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

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

19 (viii) One shall be a representative of the [Highway Safety
20 Division] **OFFICE OF TRAFFIC AND SAFETY** of the Maryland Department of
21 Transportation;

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

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

25 (xi) One shall be a representative of a Maryland commercial
26 ambulance service;

27 (xii) One shall be a representative of the Board of Physicians;

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

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

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

3 (xvi) One shall be a representative of the [Maryland/District of
 4 Columbia International Association of Firefighters] **PROFESSIONAL FIRE**
 5 **FIGHTERS OF MARYLAND;**

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

8 (xviii) One shall be a representative of the Maryland Metropolitan
 9 Fire Chiefs;

10 (xix) One shall be a representative of the [State Emergency
 11 Numbers Board (911)] **EMERGENCY NUMBER SYSTEMS BOARD;**

12 (xx) One shall be the Director of the R Adams Cowley Shock
 13 Trauma Center;

14 (xxi) One shall be the Director of the National Study Center;

15 (xxii) [Two] **THREE** shall be members of the general public, one of
 16 whom shall reside in a county with a population of less than 175,000;

17 (xxiii) One shall be a representative of the Committee on Pediatric
 18 Emergency Medicine of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Maryland Chapter; [and]

19 (xxiv) One shall be a representative of the [Maryland–District of
 20 Columbia] **MARYLAND** Society of Anesthesiologists; **AND**

21 **(XXV) ONE SHALL BE A HELICOPTER PILOT.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
 23 October 1, 2010.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.