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3 By Senator Sanford
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the Emergency Medical
9 Services Advisory Board is comprised of 25 members
10 who meet at least once annually at the call of the
11 State Health Officer.

12 This bill would reduce and provide further
13 for the membership and qualifications of the board.
14 This bill would provide that the board would meet
15 at least twice annually.

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17 A BILL
18 TO BE ENTITLED
19 AN ACT

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21 Relating to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory
22 Board; to amend Section 22-18-5, Code of Alabama 1975, to
23 reduce and provide further for the membership and
24 qualifications of the board; and to provide for the meetings
25 of the board.

26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1 Section 1. Section 22-18-5, Code of Alabama 1975, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "§22-18-5.

4 "(a) There shall be an advisory board ~~of 25 members~~
5 to assist in the establishment of rules, regulations and
6 standards necessary to carry out the provisions of this
7 article. The board shall meet at least ~~once~~ twice each year
8 and at the call of the State Health Officer. The State Health
9 Officer shall be an ex officio member of the advisory board.
10 The advisory board shall elect one from its membership to
11 serve as chair for a two-year term. The chair shall not serve
12 consecutive terms.

13 "(b) Composition of the advisory board shall be:

14 "(1) One member, who shall be a paramedic,
15 designated by the Alabama ~~Ambulance Association~~ Association of
16 Ambulance Services.

17 "(2) One member, who shall be a paramedic,
18 designated by the Alabama Association of Rescue Squads.

19 "(3) One member, who shall be a paramedic or a
20 physician, designated by the Alabama Hospital Association.

21 "~~(4) One member designated by the State Committee on~~
22 ~~Trauma, American College of Surgeons.~~

23 "~~(5)~~ (4) One member, who shall be a physician,
24 designated by the Medical Association of the State of Alabama.

25 "~~(6) One member designated by the Director of Public~~
26 ~~Safety.~~

1 ~~"(7) One member designated by the Director of the~~
2 ~~State Department of Transportation.~~

3 ~~"(8) One member designated by the Department of~~
4 ~~Economic and Community Affairs, Highway Traffic and Safety~~
5 ~~Program.~~

6 ~~"(9)~~ (5) The State Health Officer, or his or her
7 designee, as an ex officio member, with voting privileges.

8 ~~"(10)~~ (6) One member, who shall be a paramedic, firefighter
9 designated by the Professional Firefighters
10 Association of Alabama Alabama Joint Fire Council.

11 ~~"(11) One member who shall be an EMT firefighter~~
12 ~~designated by the Alabama Association of Volunteer Fire~~
13 ~~Departments.~~

14 ~~"(12) One member designated by the Alabama~~
15 ~~Association of Fire Chiefs.~~

16 ~~"(13) Two members designated by the Alabama Council~~
17 ~~on EMS to represent the designated regional EMS agencies.~~

18 ~~"(14) One member designated by the State Committee~~
19 ~~of Public Health.~~

20 ~~"(15) One member designated by the Alabama Chapter~~
21 ~~of the American College of Emergency Physicians.~~

22 ~~"(16) One member designated by the Alabama Chapter~~
23 ~~of the American Academy of Pediatrics.~~

24 ~~"(17)~~ (7) One member from a state approved paramedic
25 training school designated by the Alabama Emergency Medical
26 Services Education Committee.

1 "~~(18)~~(8) One member, who shall be an EMT, designated
2 by the ~~professional EMT association if a professional EMT~~
3 ~~association is designated by the Board of Health or pursuant~~
4 ~~to other procedure established by law~~ Alabama EMT Association.

5 "~~(19)~~ One member designated by the Alabama Chapter
6 of the ~~Emergency Nurses Association.~~

7 "~~(20)~~ One member designated by the Alabama League of
8 Municipalities.

9 "~~(21)~~(9) One member designated by the Association of
10 County Commissions of Alabama.

11 "~~(22)~~ One member designated by the Alabama Emergency
12 Management Council.

13 "~~(23)~~ One member designated by the Alabama State
14 Nurses' Association.

15 "~~(24)~~ One member designated by the Alabama
16 Firefighters Association.

17 "~~(25)~~(10) One member designated by the Alabama
18 Society of Hospital Pharmacists.

19 "(11) The State Emergency Medical Services Director,
20 or his or her designee, as a non-voting member.

21 "(c) Each representative shall serve for a period of
22 four years or until his or her successor is appointed,
23 whichever is sooner.

24 "(d) Each ex officio member's term will be
25 indefinite. In the case of vacancy, the new appointee shall
26 serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. Any vacancy
27 shall be filled by the original organization selecting said

1 member. Members of the advisory board shall serve without
2 compensation but shall be entitled to reimbursement for
3 expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of their
4 office as provided in Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 36 of
5 this code.

6 "(e) With the consent of the majority of the members
7 of the advisory board, the chair shall set requirements for
8 proxy representation, voting, and the establishment of a
9 quorum."

10 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
11 first day of the third month following its passage and
12 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.