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HOUSE BILL 724

Short Title: Amend Composition of NC Medical Board. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Lambeth, Malone, S. Martin, and Hurley (Primary Sponsors).
For a complete list of Sponsors, refer to the North Carolina General Assembly Web Site.

Referred to: Health.

April 15, 2015

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT REVISING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAL BOARD TO ENSURE THAT AT LEAST ONE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AND AT LEAST ONE NURSE PRACTITIONER SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 90-2(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) There is established the North Carolina Medical Board to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery for the benefit and protection of the people of North Carolina. The Board shall consist of ~~42~~13 members.

(1) Seven of the members shall be duly licensed physicians recommended by the Review Panel and appointed by the Governor as set forth in G.S. 90-3.

(2) The remaining ~~five~~six members shall all be appointed by the Governor as follows:

a. One shall be a duly licensed physician who is a doctor of osteopathy or a full-time faculty member of one of the medical schools in North Carolina who utilizes integrative medicine in that person's clinical practice or a member of The Old North State Medical Society. This Board position shall not be subject to recommendations of the Review Panel pursuant to G.S. 90-3.

b. Three shall be public members, and these Board positions shall not be subject to recommendations of the Review Panel pursuant to G.S. 90-3. A public member shall not be a health care provider nor the spouse of a health care provider. For the purpose of Board membership, "health care provider" means any licensed health care professional, agent or employee of a health care institution, health care insurer, health care professional school, or a member of any allied health profession. For purposes of this section, a person enrolled in a program as preparation to be a licensed health care professional or an allied health professional shall be deemed a health care provider. For purposes of this section, any person with significant financial interest in a health service or profession is not a public member.

c. One shall be a physician assistant as defined in G.S. 90-18.1 ~~or a nurse practitioner as defined in G.S. 90-18.2~~ as recommended by the Review Panel pursuant to G.S. 90-3.



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- 1 d. One shall be a nurse practitioner as defined in G.S. 90-18.2 as
2 recommended by the Review Panel pursuant to G.S. 90-3."
3 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.