

**CHAPTER 156—H.F.No. 2590**

*An act relating to health; allowing Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board members to serve two consecutive terms; delaying certain trauma triage and transportation guidelines; amending Minnesota Statutes 2006, sections 144E.01, subdivision 1; 144E.101, subdivision 14; Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 4, article 6, section 27.*

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144E.01, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Membership.** (a) The Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board consists of the following members, all of whom must work in Minnesota, except for the person listed in clause (14):

- (1) an emergency physician certified by the American Board of Emergency Physicians;
- (2) a representative of Minnesota hospitals;
- (3) a representative of fire chiefs;
- (4) a full-time firefighter who serves as a first responder and who is a member of a professional firefighter's union;
- (5) a volunteer firefighter who serves as a first responder;
- (6) an attendant currently practicing on a licensed ambulance service who is a paramedic or an emergency medical technician;
- (7) an ambulance director for a licensed ambulance service;
- (8) a representative of sheriffs;
- (9) a member of a local board of health to represent community health services;
- (10) two representatives of regional emergency medical services programs, one of whom must be from the metropolitan regional emergency medical services program;
- (11) a registered nurse currently practicing in a hospital emergency department;
- (12) a pediatrician, certified by the American Board of Pediatrics, with experience in emergency medical services;
- (13) a family practice physician who is currently involved in emergency medical services;
- (14) a public member who resides in Minnesota; and
- (15) the commissioners of health and public safety or their designees.

(b) The governor shall appoint members under paragraph (a). Appointments under clauses (1) to (9) and (11) to (13) are subject to the advice and consent of the senate. In

making appointments under clauses (1) to (9) and (11) to (13), the governor shall consider recommendations of the American College of Emergency Physicians, the Minnesota Hospital Association, the Minnesota and State Fire Chief's Association, the Minnesota Ambulance Association, the Minnesota Emergency Medical Services Association, the Minnesota State Sheriff's Association, the Association of Minnesota Counties, the Minnesota Nurses Association, and the Minnesota chapter of the Academy of Pediatrics.

~~(c) No member appointed under paragraph (a) may serve consecutive terms.~~

~~(d)~~ (c) At least seven members appointed under paragraph (a) must reside outside of the seven-county metropolitan area, as defined in section 473.121.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2006, section 144E.101, subdivision 14, is amended to read:

Subd. 14. **Trauma triage and transport guidelines.** By July 1, ~~2009~~ 2010, a licensee shall have written age appropriate trauma triage and transport guidelines consistent with the criteria issued by the Trauma Advisory Council established under section 144.608 and approved by the board. The board may approve a licensee's requested deviations to the guidelines due to the availability of local or regional trauma resources if the changes are in the best interest of the patient's health.

Sec. 3. Laws 2005, First Special Session chapter 4, article 6, section 27, the effective date, is amended to read:

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, ~~2009~~ 2010.

Presented to the governor March 14, 2008

Signed by the governor March 14, 2008, 5:21 p.m.