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§17B-2-7a. Driver's Licensing Advisory Board.

(a) The Driver's Licensing Advisory Board is hereby continued. The board shall consist of five members to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, for terms of three years, commencing July 1, 2018: Provided, That as to the members first appointed, two shall be appointed for a term of three years, two shall be appointed for a term of two years and one shall be appointed for a term of one year: Provided, however, That members who last served as members of the board prior to the reenactment of this section by the Legislature in the 2018 Regular Session shall continue to serve until their successors have been appointed. A member shall continue to serve until his or her successor has been appointed. All vacancies occurring on the board shall be filled by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. One member of the board shall be an optometrist duly registered to practice optometry in this state, one member shall be a board certified neurologist who is licensed to practice medicine in this state, and the other three members of the board shall be physicians or surgeons duly licensed to practice medicine or surgery in this state. The Governor shall appoint persons qualified to serve on the board who, in his or her opinion, will best serve the work and function of the board.

(b) The board shall advise the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles as to vision standards and all other medical criteria of whatever kind or nature relevant to the licensing of persons to operate motor vehicles under the provisions of this chapter. The commissioner may, in her or his discretion, request the opinion of the board. The board shall, upon request, advise the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles as to the mental or physical fitness of an applicant for, or the holder of, a license to operate a motor vehicle. The board shall furnish the commissioner with all such medical standards, statistics, data, professional information and advice as he or she may reasonably request.

(c) The members of the board shall receive the same compensation as is paid to members of the Legislature for their interim duties as recommended by the Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission and authorized by law, for each day or substantial portion thereof engaged in the performance of official duties. Each member of the board shall be reimbursed for his or her actual and necessary expenses for each day or portion thereof engaged in the discharge of official duties in a manner consistent with guidelines of the Travel Management Office of the Department of Administration.

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