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AN ACT to amend and reenact section five, article four-c, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, continuing the emergency medical services advisory council.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five, article four-c, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 4C. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ACT.

§16-4C-5. Emergency medical services advisory council; duties, composition, appointment, meetings, compensation and expenses; continuation.

1 The emergency medical services advisory council,
2 heretofore created and established by former section seven
3 of this article, shall be continued for the purpose of
4 developing, with the commissioner, standards for
5 emergency medical service personnel and for the purpose
6 of providing advice to the office of emergency medical
7 services and the commissioner with respect to reviewing
8 and making recommendations for and providing
9 assistance to the establishment and maintenance of
10 adequate emergency medical services for all portions of

11 this state.

12 The council shall have the duty to advise the
13 commissioner in all matters pertaining to his or her duties
14 and functions in relation to carrying out the purposes of
15 this article.


16 The council shall be composed of fifteen members
17 appointed by the governor by and with the advice and
18 consent of the Senate. The mountain state emergency
19 medical services association shall submit to the governor a
20 list of six names of representatives from their association
21 and a list of three names shall be submitted to the
22 governor of representatives of their respective
23 organizations by the county commissioners' association of
24 West Virginia, the West Virginia state firemen's association,
25 the West Virginia hospital association, the West Virginia
26 chapter of the American college of emergency physicians,
27 the West Virginia emergency medical services
28 administrators association, the West Virginia emergency
29 medical services coalition, the ambulance association of
30 West Virginia, the county commissioner's association and
31 the state department of education. The governor shall
32 appoint from the respective lists submitted, two persons
33 who represent the mountain state emergency medical
34 services association, one of whom shall be a paramedic
35 and one of whom shall be an emergency medical
36 technician-basic, and one person from the county
37 commissioners' association of West Virginia, the West
38 Virginia state firemen's association, the West Virginia
39 hospital association, the West Virginia chapter of the
40 American college of emergency physicians, the West
41 Virginia emergency medical services administrators
42 association, the West Virginia emergency medical services
43 coalition, the ambulance association of West Virginia and
44 the state department of education. In addition the
45 governor shall appoint one person to represent emergency
46 medical service providers operating within the state, one
47 person to represent small emergency medical service
48 providers operating within this state and three persons to
49 represent the general public. Not more than six of the
50 members may be appointed from any one congressional
51 district.

52 The current advisory council members' terms shall end
53 on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred
54 ninety-six, and, pursuant to the provisions of this section,
55 the governor shall appoint an advisory council on the first
56 day of July, one thousand nine hundred ninety-six. Of
57 those first appointed, one-third shall serve for one year,
58 one-third shall serve for two years and one-third shall
59 serve for three years. Each subsequent term is to be for
60 three years and no member may serve more than four
61 consecutive terms.

62 The council shall choose its own chairman and meet at
63 the call of the commissioner at least twice a year.

64 The members of the council shall receive
65 compensation and expense reimbursement in an amount
66 not to exceed the same compensation and expense
67 reimbursement as is paid to members of the Legislature
68 for their interim duties as recommended by the citizens
69 legislative compensation commission and authorized by
70 law, for each day or substantial portion thereof engaged in
71 the performance of official duties.

72 Pursuant to the provisions of article ten, chapter four
73 of this code, the emergency medical services advisory
74 council shall continue to exist until the first day of July,
75 one thousand nine hundred ninety-nine.



The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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The within approved this the 6th
day of March, 1998.

Jim Dunderwood
Governor

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