

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 966

BY REPRESENTATIVE SIMON

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Provides with respect to membership on the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1263(B)(2)(a) and (b), to enact R.S. 37:1263(B)(2)(d), (e),
3 and (f), and to repeal R.S. 37:1263(C), relative to the Louisiana State Board of
4 Medical Examiners; to provide relative to the composition of the board; to repeal
5 certain qualifications of board members; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:1263(B)(2)(a) and (b) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
8 37:1263(d), (e), and (f) are enacted to read as follows:

9 §1263. Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners; appointment

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11 B.

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13 (2) Beginning on January 1, 2000, the board shall consist of seven voting
14 members, all appointed by the governor and subject to Senate confirmation as
15 follows:

16 (a) ~~Four~~ Two members from a list of names submitted by the Louisiana State
17 Medical Society. One of the members so appointed shall practice in a parish or
18 municipality with a population of less than twenty thousand people.

19 (b) ~~Two members~~ One member from a list submitted by the Louisiana
20 Medical Association.

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1 (d) One member who is a licensed nurse practitioner from a list submitted
2 by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.

3 (e) One member who is a retired member of the board of commissioners of
4 a hospital licensed in Louisiana from a list submitted by the Louisiana Hospital
5 Association.

6 (f) One member who is a resident of the state, who has not, and has never
7 been a licensed physician from a list submitted by the Council for a Better Louisiana.

8 Section 2. R.S. 37:1263(C) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Changes the membership of the La. State Board of Medical Examiners.

Present law (R.S. 37:1263(B)(2)(a) and (b) in pertinent part, provides that beginning on Jan. 1, 2000, the La. State Board of Medical Examiners will consist of 7 voting members, all appointed by the governor and subject to Senate confirmation as follows:

- (1) Four members from a list of names submitted by the La. State Medical Society. One of the members so appointed shall practice in a parish or municipality with a population of less than 20,000 people.
- (2) Two members from a list submitted by the Louisiana Medical Association.

Proposed law modifies present law by changing composition of the board as follows: (1) decreases the La. State Medical Society board member appointees from 4 to 2 and (2) decreases the La. Medical Association board member appointees from 2 to 1.

Proposed law adds the following members to the board:

- (1) One member who is a licensed nurse practitioner from a list submitted by the Louisiana State Board of Nursing.
- (2) One member who is a retired member of the board of commissioners of a hospital licensed in Louisiana from a list submitted by the Louisiana Hospital Association.
- (3) One member who is a resident of the state, who has not, and has never been a licensed physician from a list submitted by the Council for a Better Louisiana.

Present law specifies that all voting members of the board must be graduate physicians or surgeons and practitioners.

Proposed law repeals this provision in its entirety.

(Amends R.S. 37:1263(B)(2)(a) and (b); Adds R.S. 37:1263(B)(2)(d), (e), and (f); Repeals R.S. 37:1263(C))