

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 716

5 By: Senator Malone
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE STATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOL LIFE
10 AND HEALTH INSURANCE BOARD; AND FOR OTHER
11 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 AN ACT TO CHANGE THE STATE AND PUBLIC
15 SCHOOL LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE BOARD.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 21-5-402 is amended to read as follows:*

21 *21-5-402. Members.*

22 *(a)(1) There is hereby created the State and Public School Life and*
23 *Health Insurance Board composed of the following ~~ten (10)~~ twelve (12) voting*
24 *members:*

25 *(A) A state employee to be appointed by the Governor;*

26 *(B) A certified classroom teacher to be appointed by the*
27 *Governor;*

28 *(C) The Insurance Commissioner or his designee;*

29 *(D) The Director of the Department of Education or his*
30 *designee;*

31 *(E) The Director of the Department of Finance and*
32 *Administration or his designee;*

33 *(F) Two (2) members who are engaged in employee benefits*
34 *management or risk management in private industry to be appointed by the*
35 *Governor;*

36 *(G) One (1) additional member position which shall be*



1 filled alternately by a retired teacher and by a retired state employee
 2 appointed by the Governor. This position shall first be filled by a retired
 3 teacher for a term of four (4) years, then by a retired state employee for a
 4 term of four (4) years and four-year terms thereafter shall be alternated
 5 between a retired teacher and a retired state employee;

6 (H) One (1) public school administrator to be appointed by
 7 the Governor; ~~and~~

8 (I) The Executive Director of the Arkansas State Board of
 9 Pharmacy or his or her state employee pharmacist designee;

10 (J) The Director of Health and Facilities Services of the
 11 Arkansas Department of Health, or his or her designee; and

12 (K) In addition, there shall be one (1) member who is a
 13 licensed health care provider appointed by the Governor.

14 (2) However, any appointee who has a conflict of interest shall
 15 be disqualified to serve.

16 (b)(1) The members, except for retiree positions, initially appointed
 17 by the Governor shall draw lots for terms so that two (2) serve for a term of
 18 four (4) years each, two (2) for a term of three (3) years, one (1) for a
 19 term of two (2) years, and one (1) for a term of one (1) year. All successor
 20 members appointed by the Governor shall be appointed for terms of four (4)
 21 years, but may be reappointed for additional terms.

22 (2) Vacancies in the Governor-appointed positions shall be
 23 filled by appointment of the Governor for the unexpired term. Members
 24 appointed by the Governor shall serve at the will of the Governor.

25 ~~(c) A chair and a vice chair shall be selected annually from the~~
 26 ~~membership of the board by the Governor, to serve one year terms~~ A chair and
 27 vice chair of the board shall be selected annually by and from the membership
 28 of the board, and shall serve no more than two (2) years.

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 30 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 21-5-404, concerning the powers, functions,
 31 and duties of the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Board, is
 32 amended to add a new subdivision as follows:

33 (10)(A) To appoint three (3) subcommittees of the board to study and
 34 research health and life plan option benefits, formulary management, and the
 35 financial impact of implementing the recommendations made by the formulary
 36 management committee to the board.

