

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.

Act 1273 of the Regular Session

1 State of Arkansas
2 87th General Assembly
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As Engrossed: S3/31/09

A Bill

SENATE BILL 958

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5 By: Senator Capps
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE
10 MEDICAL BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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12 **Subtitle**

13 CONCERNING THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE
14 MEDICAL BOARD.
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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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19 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-95-301(b), concerning the membership of*
20 *the Arkansas State Medical Board, is amended to read as follows:*

21 *(b)(1)(A) The board shall consist of ~~thirteen (13)~~ fourteen (14)*
22 *members appointed by the Governor for terms of six (6) years.*

23 *(B) The Governor shall consider diversity of practice*
24 *specialties and geographical areas of practice in making appointments to the*
25 *board.*

26 *(2)(A)(i) ~~Nine (9)~~ Ten (10) members shall be duly qualified,*
27 *licensed, and active medical practitioners and appointed upon the advice and*
28 *recommendation of the Arkansas Medical Society.*

29 *(ii) At least two (2) members shall be appointed*
30 *from each of the state's four (4) congressional districts.*

31 *(iii) ~~One (1) member~~ Two (2) members shall be*
32 *appointed at large.*

33 *(B) Congressional district representation required under*
34 *this subdivision (b)(2) shall be achieved by appointment as vacancies occur.*

35 *(3) One (1) member shall be a licensed practicing physician in*



1 *this state and shall be appointed upon the advice and recommendation of the*
2 *Physicians' Section of the Arkansas Medical, Dental, and Pharmaceutical*
3 *Association.*

4 *(4) Two (2) members of the board shall not be actively engaged*
5 *in or retired from the practice of medicine. One (1) member shall represent*
6 *consumers, and one (1) member shall be sixty (60) years of age or older and*
7 *shall represent the elderly. Both shall be appointed from the state at large*
8 *subject to confirmation by the Senate. The two (2) positions may not be held*
9 *by the same person. Both shall be full voting members but shall not*
10 *participate in the grading of examinations.*

11 *(5) One (1) member shall be a duly qualified, licensed, and*
12 *practicing osteopathic physician and appointed upon the recommendation of the*
13 *Arkansas Osteopathic Medical Association.*

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15 */s/ Capps*

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17 **APPROVED: 4/8/2009**

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