

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.

1 State of Arkansas  
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3 Regular Session, 2009  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2143

5 By: Representative Harrelson  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ADD TWO BOARD MEMBERS TO THE ARKANSAS  
10 STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE AND RELATED  
11 TECHNIQUES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

13 AN ACT TO ADD TWO BOARD MEMBERS TO THE  
14 ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE AND  
15 RELATED TECHNIQUES.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-102-201 is amended to read as follows:  
22 17-102-201. Creation of board – Members – Appointment.

23 (a)(1) There is created the Arkansas State Board of Acupuncture and  
24 Related Techniques. The board shall consist of ~~five (5)~~ seven (7) persons  
25 appointed by the Governor as full members and one (1) person appointed by the  
26 Governor as an ex officio member.

27 (2) Three (3) full members of the board shall be qualified  
28 acupuncturists.

29 (3) Two (2) full members of the board shall be doctors of  
30 oriental medicine licensed to practice acupuncture and related techniques in  
31 the State of Arkansas under § 17-102-301 et seq.

32 (4)(A) Two (2) full members shall be appointed to represent the  
33 public and shall not have practiced acupuncture and related techniques in  
34 this or any other jurisdiction nor be retired from or have any financial  
35 interest in the occupation regulated.

36 (B) The public members shall be subject to confirmation by



1 the Senate.

2 (C) The public members shall be full voting members but  
3 shall not participate in the grading of examinations.

4 ~~(4)~~(5)(A) The ex officio member shall be a physician licensed  
5 ~~pursuant to~~ under the Arkansas Medical Practices Act, §§ 17-95-201 – 17-95-  
6 207, 17-95-301 – 17-95-305, and 17-95-401 – 17-95-411, and shall be entitled  
7 to be notified of all board meetings and to participate in the deliberations  
8 of the board.

9 (B) However, the ex officio member shall ~~have no~~ not:

10 (i) ~~vote,~~ Vote;

11 (ii) ~~shall not serve~~ Serve as an officer of  
12 the board, ~~and;~~ or

13 (iii) ~~shall not be~~ Be counted to establish a  
14 quorum or a majority necessary to conduct business.

15 (b)(1) The initial full members of the board shall be appointed by the  
16 Governor for staggered terms as follows:

17 (A) One (1) member’s term shall expire after one (1) year;

18 (B) One (1) member’s term shall expire after two (2)  
19 years; and

20 (C) One (1) member’s term shall expire after three (3)  
21 years.

22 (2) Of the two (2) additional members appointed ~~pursuant to~~  
23 under Acts 1999, No. 536, one (1) shall be appointed for a two-year term and  
24 the other for a three-year term.

25 (3) The two (2) remaining members shall be appointed for three-  
26 year terms.

27 ~~(3)~~(4) The initial ex officio board member shall be appointed to  
28 a term of three (3) years.

29 ~~(4)~~(5) Successors shall be appointed for three-year terms.

30 ~~(5)~~(6) Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Governor  
31 for the unexpired term.

32 ~~(6)~~(7) Board members shall serve until their successors have  
33 been appointed and qualified.

34 (c) The Governor may remove any full member from the board for any  
35 reason that would justify the suspension or revocation of his or her license  
36 to practice acupuncture and related techniques.

1 (d) A person who is or has been in the preceding two (2) years on the  
2 faculty of a school ~~which~~ that is subject to review by the board may not  
3 serve on the board.

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