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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 866

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE  
10 PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS  
15 FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES 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 § 20-22-803 is amended to read as follows:

21 20-22-803. Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board – Creation,  
22 ~~membership, etc.~~ -- Membership.

23 (a)(1) There is created the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board.

24 (2) The board shall be composed of fifteen (15) members to be  
25 appointed by the Governor as follows:

26 (A)(i) ~~Two (2)~~ Four (4) members shall be fire chiefs  
27 recommended by the Arkansas Association of Fire Chiefs~~;~~.

28 (ii) Two (2) of the fire chiefs under this  
29 subdivision (A) shall be full paid fire chiefs, one (1) shall be a volunteer  
30 fire chief, and one (1) shall be a retired fire chief or a volunteer fire  
31 chief;

32 (B) ~~Four (4)~~ Two (2) members shall be recommended by the  
33 Arkansas Rural and Volunteer Firefighters Association;

34 (C) Four (4) members recommended by the Arkansas State  
35 Firefighters Association, ~~two (2) of which~~ all of whom of which shall be  
36 volunteer firefighters ~~and two (2) of which shall be career firefighters;~~



1 (D) ~~Two (2)~~ Four (4) members shall be recommended by the  
2 Arkansas Professional ~~Firefighters~~ Fire Fighters Association; and

3 (E) ~~One (1) member shall be in a retired status and shall~~  
4 ~~be recommended by the board;~~

5 ~~(F) The Director of the Arkansas Department of Emergency~~  
6 ~~Management Forestry Commission or his or her designee; and~~

7 ~~(G) The Director of the Arkansas Fire Training Academy.~~

8 (3) ~~A representative~~ The Director of the Arkansas Forestry  
9 ~~Commission~~ Fire Training Academy, the Director of the Arkansas Department of  
10 Emergency Management or his or her designee, and the State Fire Marshal or  
11 his or her designee shall be an ex officio member members.

12 (4)(A) ~~The initial members appointed under subdivision (a)(2) of~~  
13 ~~this section shall determine their terms of office by drawing lots which~~  
14 ~~result in four (4) members serving one-year terms, four (4) members serving~~  
15 ~~two-year terms, and five (5) members serving three-year terms.~~

16 ~~(B) Successor appointed members~~ Members shall serve three-  
17 year terms.

18 (5) Each member shall hold office until his or her successor is  
19 appointed and qualified.

20 (6) Each recommending organization shall submit a minimum of  
21 three (3) names for consideration for appointment by the Governor for each  
22 position vacancy on the board.

23 (b)(1) The board shall elect annually a chair, vice chair, and  
24 secretary.

25 (2) The board shall meet at the call of the chair or a majority  
26 of the members.

27 (3) A majority of the members ~~shall constitute~~ constitutes a  
28 quorum.

29 (c) The Governor shall fill vacancies occurring on the board with  
30 appointments for the duration of the unexpired terms.

31 (d) The members shall serve without pay but may receive expense  
32 reimbursement in accordance with § 25-16-901 et seq.

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34 SECTION 2. DO NOT CODIFY. Members whose positions are eliminated  
35 under this act shall be determined at the discretion of the Arkansas Fire  
36 Protection Services Board.

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