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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1778

5 By: Representative L. Johnson  
6 By: Senator Irvin  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION  
10 RESIDENCY EXPANSION BOARD; TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION  
11 OF THE GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY EXPANSION  
12 BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

16 TO AMEND THE COMPOSITION OF THE GRADUATE  
17 MEDICAL EDUCATION RESIDENCY EXPANSION  
18 BOARD.  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 6-82-2001(a), concerning the members of the  
24 Graduate Medical Education Residency Expansion Board, is amended to read as  
25 follows:

26 (a) There is established the Graduate Medical Education Residency  
27 Expansion Board, which shall administer the program under this subchapter and  
28 shall be composed of:

29 (1) One (1) representative ~~from~~ appointed by the Governor from  
30 each medical school institution in Arkansas that has received certification  
31 from the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board under § 6-61-301 et  
32 seq. to offer studies leading to a Doctor of Medicine degree or Doctor of  
33 Osteopathic Medicine degree;

34 (2) One (1) physician member appointed by the ~~Arkansas State~~  
35 ~~Medical Board~~ Governor, giving preference to a physician who has received a  
36 rural medical practice loan, a community match loan, or an income incentive;



1           (3) One (1) representative from a hospital in Arkansas who shall  
2 be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

3           ~~(3)(4) Two (2) representatives~~ One (1) representative from a  
4 hospital in Arkansas who shall be appointed by the Arkansas Hospital  
5 Association, Inc. President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and

6           ~~(4)(5) One (1) representative~~ appointed by the Governor based on  
7 the recommendation from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical  
8 Education-designated sponsoring institution in this state that has the  
9 largest number of residency positions approved by the Accreditation Council  
10 for Graduate Medical Education.

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