

(A) COMPOSITION.

(1) THE BOARD CONSISTS OF FIVE MEMBERS.

(2) OF THE FIVE BOARD MEMBERS:

(I) FOUR SHALL BE LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS;

AND

(II) ONE SHALL BE A CONSUMER MEMBER.

(3) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER MEMBER FROM A LIST OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR BY THE MARYLAND CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS, INC.

(4) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT ONE LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER MEMBER FROM A LIST OF QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR BY THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS, INC.

(5) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE OTHER TWO LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER MEMBERS.

(6) THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT THE CONSUMER MEMBER WITH THE ADVICE OF THE SECRETARY AND THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE.

(B) QUALIFICATIONS OF ALL MEMBERS.

EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD SHALL BE A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE.

(C) QUALIFICATIONS OF CONSUMER MEMBER -- IN GENERAL.

THE CONSUMER MEMBER OF THE BOARD:

(1) SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC;

(2) MAY NOT BE OR EVER HAVE BEEN A SOCIAL WORKER OR IN TRAINING TO BECOME A SOCIAL WORKER;

(3) MAY NOT HAVE A HOUSEHOLD MEMBER WHO IS A SOCIAL WORKER OR IN TRAINING TO BECOME A SOCIAL WORKER;

(4) MAY NOT PARTICIPATE OR EVER HAVE PARTICIPATED IN A COMMERCIAL OR PROFESSIONAL FIELD RELATED TO SOCIAL WORK;

(5) MAY NOT HAVE A HOUSEHOLD MEMBER WHO PARTICIPATES IN A COMMERCIAL OR PROFESSIONAL FIELD RELATED TO SOCIAL WORK; AND

(6) MAY NOT HAVE HAD WITHIN 2 YEARS BEFORE APPOINTMENT A SUBSTANTIAL FINANCIAL INTEREST IN A PERSON REGULATED BY THE BOARD.