

Article - Health Occupations

19-202.

(a) (1) The Board consists of 11 members:

(2) Of the 11 Board members:

(i) 9 shall be licensed social workers of whom:

1. SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, 1 is a licensed social work associate;

2. SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, 1 is a licensed graduate social worker at the time of appointment;

3. At least 1 is a licensed certified social worker;

4. At least 4 are licensed certified social workers—clinical;
and

5. 1 is a licensed social worker employed by the Department of Human Resources; and

(ii) 2 shall be consumer members.

(3) IF A LICENSED SOCIAL WORK ASSOCIATE OR A LICENSED GRADUATE SOCIAL WORKER IS NOT APPOINTED TO THE BOARD UNDER ~~ITEMS 1. AND 2. OF SUBPARAGRAPH (I) PARAGRAPH (2)(1)1 AND 2~~ OF THIS SUBSECTION WITHIN ~~SIX~~ 6 MONTHS OF A VACANCY, A LICENSEE OF ANY LICENSE LEVEL SHALL BE APPOINTED IMMEDIATELY IF THAT LICENSEE IS QUALIFIED TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD UNDER ~~SUBSECTION (C) SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (D)~~ OF THIS SECTION.

[(3)] (4) The Governor shall appoint all members of the Board with the advice of the Secretary and the advice and consent of the Senate.

[(4)] (5) The Governor shall appoint all social work members of the Board from a list of nominees containing names submitted by:

(i) Professional social work associations in the State;

(ii) Any person who provides a statement of nomination signed by at least 25 social workers licensed in the State; or

(iii) The secretaries of public agencies of the State where social workers are employed.

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(a) (1) From among its members, the Board shall elect a chairman and a secretary every 2 years.

(2) THE BOARD MAY ELECT OTHER OFFICERS AS NECESSARY TO FULFILL THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD.