

(i) a local fire official who has responsibility for the enforcement or administration of fire codes;

(ii) a user of child care services; and

(iii) a business person;

(5) a pediatrician with an interest and expertise in day care issues, appointed by the Secretary;

(6) at least two family day care providers, appointed by the Secretary; and

(7) at least two child care providers from child care centers, appointed by the Secretary.

(c) (1) The term of a member is 3 years.

(2) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(3) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(4) (i) If a vacancy occurs, the Secretary promptly shall appoint a successor who will serve until the term expires.

(ii) The successor may be reappointed for a full term.

(5) Any member who leaves the position with the organization or State agency that the member represents on the Council shall automatically lose their appointment to the Council and the Secretary shall promptly appoint a successor.

(d) From among the members of the Council, the Secretary shall appoint a chairman.

(e) (1) A majority of the members then serving on the Council is a quorum.

(2) The Council shall meet at least once a year at the time and place it decides.

(3) The Department shall provide staff for the Council.

(f) (1) [The members of the Council may not receive compensation or reimbursement for expenses] A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL MAY NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION FOR DUTIES PERFORMED AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL.

(2) A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL WHO IS A USER OF CHILD CARE SERVICES, A FAMILY DAY CARE PROVIDER, OR A CHILD CARE PROVIDER FROM A CHILD CARE CENTER IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES UNDER THE STANDARD STATE TRAVEL REGULATIONS, AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.