

[(5)] (6) The Governor shall appoint the consumer [member] MEMBERS with the advice of the Secretary and the advice and consent of the Senate.

(b) Each member of the Board:

(1) Shall be a resident of this State; but

(2) May not be an employee of the Department.

(c) The consumer [member] MEMBERS of the Board:

(1) Shall be a member of the general public;

(2) May not be or ever have been an audiologist, HEARING AID DEALER, OR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST or in training to become an audiologist, HEARING AID DEALER, OR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST;

(3) May not have a household member who is an audiologist, HEARING AID DEALER, OR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST or in training to become an audiologist, HEARING AID DEALER, OR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST;

(4) May not participate or ever have participated in a commercial or professional field related to audiology, THE PROVISION OF HEARING AID SERVICES, OR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY;

(5) May not have a household member who participates in a commercial or professional field related to audiology, THE PROVISION OF HEARING AID SERVICES, OR SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY; and

(6) May not have had within 2 years before appointment a substantial financial interest in a person regulated by the Board.

(d) While a member of the Board, a consumer member may not have a substantial financial interest in a person regulated by the Board.

(e) Before taking office, each appointee to the Board shall take the oath required by Article I, § 9 of the State Constitution.

(f) (1) The term of a member is 5 years.

(2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Board on [July 1, 1981] OCTOBER 1, 1992.

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

(4) 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.

(5) A member may not serve more than two consecutive full terms.

(g) The Governor may remove a member for incompetence or misconduct.