Senate Bill 751

Sponsored by Senator MORRISETTE; Senators CARTER, DECKERT, NELSON, STARR, Representatives BERGER, BOONE, GELSER, KRUMMEL

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Authorizes podiatric physician and surgeon member of Board of Medical Examiners to vote on all matters before board.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to podiatric physician and surgeon member of Board of Medical Examiners; amending ORS
677.235.

4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 677.235 is amended to read:

677.235. (1) The Board of Medical Examiners for the State of Oregon consists of 12 members appointed by the Governor. Seven of the members shall be appointed from among persons having the degree of Doctor of Medicine, two from among persons having the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy and one from among persons having the degree of Doctor of Podiatric Medicine. Of the seven members who hold the degree of Doctor of Medicine, there shall be at least one member appointed from each federal congressional district. In addition to the 10 named persons described, there shall be appointed two public members representing health consumers. All persons appointed must have been residents of this state for at least seven years. The physician members and the member who is a podiatric physician and surgeon must have been in the active practice of their profession for at least five years immediately preceding their appointment. Neither the public members nor any person within the immediate family of the public members shall be employed as a health professional or in any health-related industry. The public members shall be members of the investigative committee of the board. [The member of the board who is a podiatric physician and surgeon may vote only on a matter before the board that has been determined by the board to involve a podiatric physician and surgeon.]

(2) Not later than February 1 of each year, the Oregon Medical Association shall nominate three qualified physicians for each physician member of the board whose term expires in that year, and shall certify its nominees to the Governor. Not later than February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of Oregon, Inc., shall nominate three physicians possessing the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy and shall certify its nominees to the Governor. Not later than February 1 of each third year, the Oregon Podiatric Medical Association shall nominate three podiatric physicians and surgeons possessing the degree of Doctor of Podiatric Medicine and shall certify its nominees to the Governor. The Governor shall consider these nominees in selecting successors to retiring board members.

(3) Each member of the board shall serve for a term of three years beginning on March 1 of the year the member is appointed and ending on the last day of February of the third year thereafter.

- No member shall serve more than two consecutive terms. If a vacancy occurs on the board, another qualifying member possessing the same professional degree or fulfilling the same public capacity as the person whose position has been vacated shall be appointed as provided in this section to fill the unexpired term.
- (4) All appointments of members of the board by the Governor are subject to confirmation by the Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565.