

Enrolled Senate Bill 66

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board; creating new provisions; amending ORS 146.015; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 146.015 is amended to read:

146.015. (1) There is hereby established the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board.

(2) The [advisory] board shall make policies for the administration of ORS 146.003 to 146.189 and the Department of State Police shall [make] **adopt** rules to effectuate [such] **the** policies.

(3) The [advisory] board shall recommend the name or names of pathologists to the Superintendent of State Police from which the superintendent shall appoint the State Medical Examiner.

(4) The [State Medical Examiner Advisory] board [shall consist] **consists** of [10] **11** members appointed by the Governor [and shall include] **who are**:

(a) The [Chairman] **Chair** of the Department of [Anatomic] Pathology [at] **of** the Oregon Health and Science University, who [shall be] **is** the chairperson of the board;

(b) The State Health Officer;

(c) A sheriff;

(d) A trauma physician recommended by the State Trauma Advisory Board;

(e) A pathologist;

(f) A district attorney;

(g) A funeral service practitioner and embalmer licensed by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;

(h) A chief of police;

(i) A member of the defense bar; [and]

(j) A member of the public at large[.]; **and**

(k) A member of one of the federally recognized Oregon Indian tribes.

(5) The [persons] **members** described in subsection (4)(a) and (b) of this section [shall] **may** serve as long as they hold their respective positions. The [terms of the persons] **term of office of each member** described in subsection (4)(c), (f) and (h) of this section [shall be] **is** for four years, except that [they shall become] **the position becomes** vacant if the [person] **member** ceases to be a sheriff, district attorney or chief of police, respectively. The terms **of office** of the other members of the **State Medical Examiner Advisory** board [shall be] **are for** four years.

(6) A member of the [advisory] board is entitled to compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495.

(7) The [advisory] board shall meet annually at a time and place determined by the chairperson. The chairperson or any four members of the board may call a special meeting upon not less than one week's notice to the members of the board.

(8) Six members of the board [shall] constitute a quorum.

SECTION 2. The Governor shall appoint a member to the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board pursuant to ORS 146.015 (4)(k) no later than January 1, 2013.

SECTION 3. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect on its passage.

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