

Senate Bill 66

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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**.

Changes chairperson of State Medical Examiner Advisory Board from Chairman of Department of Anatomic Pathology at Oregon Health and Science University to Chair of Department of Pathology.

Adds to board one member of federally recognized Oregon Indian tribe. Directs Governor to appoint member no later than January 1, 2013.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board; creating new provisions; amending ORS
3 146.015; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 146.015 is amended to read:

6 146.015. (1) There is hereby established the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board.

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

9 (3) The [*advisory*] board shall recommend the name or names of pathologists to the Superinten-
10 dent of State Police from which the superintendent shall appoint the State Medical Examiner.

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

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

15 (b) The State Health Officer;

16 (c) A sheriff;

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

18 (e) A pathologist;

19 (f) A district attorney;

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

22 (h) A chief of police;

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

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

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

26 (5) The [*persons*] **members** described in subsection (4)(a) and (b) of this section [*shall*] **may**
27 serve as long as they hold their respective positions. The [*terms of the persons*] **term of office of**
28 **each member** described in subsection (4)(c), (f) and (h) of this section [*shall be*] **is** for four years,

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 except that *[they shall become]* **the position becomes** vacant if the *[person]* **member** ceases to be
2 a sheriff, district attorney or chief of police, respectively. The terms **of office** of the other members
3 of the **State Medical Examiner Advisory** board *[shall be]* **are for** four years.

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

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

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

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

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

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