

SB 1295

THE STATE SENATE
Thursday, February 4, 2010

Senate Bill No. 1295

SENATE BILL NO. 1295 - By: Rice of the Senate and Cox of the House.

An Act relating to public health and safety; amending 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-2516, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2008 (63 O.S. Supp. 2009, Section 1-2516), which relates to the Emergency Response System Development Advisory Council; modifying membership; and declaring an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2001, Section 1-2516, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 11, O.S.L. 2008 (63 O.S. Supp. 2009, Section 1-2516), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-2516. A. 1. There is hereby re-created the Oklahoma Emergency Response Systems Development Advisory Council until July 1, 2012, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Sunset Law, to be composed of physicians, health service providers, consumers of health care, other health care professionals, and persons involved in the education and training of emergency medical personnel.

2. The Council shall consist of nineteen (19) persons, eight of whom shall be persons representing rural areas of this state and counties with populations under fifty thousand (50,000), and one of whom shall be a person specializing in pediatric services. Members of the Council shall be appointed as follows:

- 1 a. six members shall be appointed by the Governor,
2 b. five members shall be appointed by the State
3 Commissioner of Health,
4 c. four members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the
5 House of Representatives, and
6 d. four members shall be appointed by the President Pro
7 Tempore of the Senate.

8 3. Two of the appointees of each appointing authority shall
9 represent rural areas of this state and counties with populations
10 under fifty thousand (50,000). Initially, three of the appointees
11 of the Governor, two appointees of the Commissioner, and one
12 appointee each of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and
13 the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall be appointed for terms
14 of one (1) year. The remaining appointees of the Council shall be
15 appointed for terms of two (2) years. Thereafter, all appointees
16 shall be appointed for terms of two (2) years. All appointees shall
17 be eligible for reappointment, but in no case shall any appointee be
18 appointed for more than six (6) consecutive years on the Council.

19 4. The current members of the Council shall continue to serve
20 as members of the Council until a majority of the appointments are
21 made under this section and such current members shall be eligible
22 for reappointment.

1 B. Persons on the Council shall at all times serve without
2 compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary
3 travel expenses from funds available for the operation of the State
4 Department of Health and in accordance with the provisions of the
5 State Travel Reimbursement Act. The Council shall advise the
6 Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee on the following:

7 1. Training program specifications for emergency medical
8 personnel, the types of medical care procedures which may be
9 performed by emergency medical personnel, and qualifications for
10 licensure and certification of emergency medical personnel;

11 2. Patient care equipment for ambulances, ambulance
12 specifications, criteria and standards for the classification of
13 emergency medical services rendered by providers, including
14 communications and reporting requirements, and operational
15 procedures for providers of ambulance services;

16 3. Design of the statewide communications system, including
17 procedures for summoning and dispatching emergency medical service,
18 including 911;

19 4. Projects, programs, and legislation needed to improve
20 emergency medical services in the state; and

21 5. Such other matters and activities as directed by the
22 Commissioner or the Commissioner's designee.

23 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

1 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY,
2 dated 2-2-10 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.