

HOUSE BILL No. 5184

December 17, 2015, Introduced by Reps. Runestad, Bizon, Howrylak, LaVoy, Zemke, Phelps, Sarah Roberts, Cochran, Faris, Brinks, Irwin, Darany, Dianda, Chirkun, Wittenberg, Brunner, Chang, Rutledge, Talabi, Plawecki, Hoadley, Liberati, Greig, Byrd, Gay-Dagnogo, Pagan, Neeley, Smiley, Callton, Graves, Price, Crawford, Hooker, Pagel, Inman, Hughes, Lucido, Vaupel, Garcia, Cox, LaFontaine and Aaron Miller and referred to the Committee on Health Policy.

A bill to amend 1937 PA 72, entitled
"Division on deafness act,"
by amending section 5 (MCL 408.205), as amended by 1988 PA 434.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 5. (1) An advisory council on ~~deafness~~ **DEAF, DEAFBLIND,**
2 **AND HARD OF HEARING** is established within the department. The
3 council shall advise the division on matters pertaining to **DEAF,**
4 **DEAFBLIND, AND HARD OF** hearing ~~impaired~~ persons.

5 (2) The council shall consist of 13 members appointed by the
6 governor. The governor shall select members who are knowledgeable
7 in the field of ~~deafness~~. **DEAF, DEAFBLIND, AND HARD OF HEARING**
8 **MATTERS.** Not less than 7 members of the council shall be **DEAF,**
9 **DEAFBLIND, OR HARD OF** hearing ~~impaired~~ persons. The governor shall
10 designate a chairperson of the council who shall serve in that

1 capacity at the pleasure of the governor. The director of the
2 division or his or her designee shall serve as secretary to the
3 council.

4 (3) Except for members first appointed, the term of office of
5 each member shall be 3 years. Of the members first appointed, 5
6 shall serve for 3 years, 4 for 2 years, and 4 for 1 year. A vacancy
7 on the council shall be filled in the same manner as the original
8 appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

9 (4) Seven members of the council ~~shall~~ constitute a quorum for
10 the transaction of business at a meeting of the council. Except as
11 provided by rule, action by the council shall be by vote of a
12 majority of the members present at a meeting. The council shall
13 meet not less than twice a year at the call of the chairperson.

14 (5) A member of the council may be reimbursed for actual and
15 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of an official duty
16 of the council.

17 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
18 after the date it is enacted into law.