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1	AN ACT to amend and reenact §16-4C-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2	to the authority of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council in reviewing rules
3	proposed by the Commissioner of the Bureau for Public Health under the Emergency
4	Medical Services Act.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 4C. EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ACT.

- §16-4C-5. Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council; duties; composition; appointment; meetings; compensation and expenses.
- (a) The Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, created and established by former §16-4C-7 of this code, is continued for the purpose of developing, with the commissioner, standards for emergency medical services personnel and for the purpose of providing advice to the Office of Emergency Medical Services and the commissioner with respect to reviewing and making recommendations for, and providing assistance to, the establishment and maintenance of adequate emergency medical services for all portions of this state.
- (b) The council shall advise the commissioner in all matters pertaining to his or her duties and functions in relation to carrying out the purposes of this article.
- (c) The council shall review any rule proposed by the commissioner for legislative approval as provided for in §16-4C-6(a) of this code. After reviewing the legislative rule, the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council shall provide a recommendation to the Legislative Rule-Making Review Committee that the Legislature:
- 13 (1) Authorize the promulgation of the legislative rule;
- 14 (2) Authorize the promulgation of part of the legislative rule;
- 15 (3) Authorize the promulgation of the legislative rule with certain amendments;
- 16 (4) Recommend that the proposed rule be withdrawn; or
- 17 (5) Reject the proposed rule.

(d) The council shall be composed of 18 members appointed by the Governor by and with
the advice and consent of the Senate. The Mountain State Emergency Medical Services
Association shall submit to the Governor a list of six names of representatives from its association
and a list of three names shall be submitted to the Governor of representatives of their respective
organizations by the County Commissioners' Association of West Virginia, the West Virginia State
Firemen's Association, the West Virginia Hospital Association, the West Virginia Chapter of the
American College of Emergency Physicians, the West Virginia Emergency Medical Services
Administrators Association, the West Virginia Emergency Medical Services Coalition, the
Ambulance Association of West Virginia, and the State Department of Education. The Governor
shall appoint, from the respective lists submitted, two persons who represent the Mountain State
Emergency Medical Services Association, one of whom shall be a paramedic and one of whom
shall be an emergency medical technician-basic; and one person from the County
Commissioners' Association of West Virginia, the West Virginia State Firemen's Association, the
West Virginia Hospital Association, the West Virginia Chapter of the American College of
Emergency Physicians, the West Virginia Emergency Medical Services Administrators
Association, the West Virginia Emergency Medical Services Coalition, the Ambulance Association
of West Virginia, and the State Department of Education. In addition, the Governor shall appoint
the following:

- 36 (1) One person to represent emergency medical services providers operating within the 37 state;
- (2) One person to represent small emergency medical services providers operating withinthis state;
- 40 (3) One person to represent emergency medical services training officers or 41 representatives;
- 42 (4) Two people to represent emergency medical services supervisors or administrators; 43 and

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- (e) Not more than six of the members may be appointed from any one congressional district.
 - (f) Each term is to be for three years, and no member may serve more than four consecutive terms.
 - (g) The council shall choose its own chairperson and meet at the call of the commissioner at least twice a year.
 - (h) The members of the council shall receive compensation and expense reimbursement in an amount not to exceed the same compensation and expense reimbursement as is paid to members of the Legislature for their interim duties as recommended by the Citizens Legislative Compensation Commission and authorized by law for each day, or substantial portion thereof, engaged in the performance of official duties.

The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the correctly enrolled.	e foregoing	ı bill is	
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