



97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 01/18/11, by Rep. Angelo Saviano

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 3955/4	from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 704
20 ILCS 3955/14	from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 714

Amends the Guardianship and Advocacy Act. Provides that a simple majority of the members serving on the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission shall constitute a quorum (now, 6 members constitute a quorum). Adds that a member of the Commission shall serve for a term ending on June 30 and until his or her successor is appointed and has qualified or until the member resigns and the resignation is filed with the Secretary of State. Provides that a simple majority of the members serving on a regional human rights authority shall constitute a quorum (now, 5 members constitute a quorum). Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Guardianship and Advocacy Act is amended by
5 changing Sections 4 and 14 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3955/4) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 704)

7 Sec. 4. Commission; membership; term of office.

8 (a) The Commission shall consist of 11 members, one of whom
9 shall be a senior citizen age 60 or over, who shall be
10 appointed by the Governor, taking into account the requirements
11 of State and federal statutes, with the advice and consent of
12 the Senate.

13 All appointments shall be filed with the Secretary of State
14 by the appointing authority.

15 (b) The terms of the original members shall be 3 one year
16 terms, 3 two year terms, and 3 three year terms, all terms to
17 continue until a successor is appointed and qualified. The
18 length of the terms of the original members shall be drawn by
19 lot of the first meeting held by the Commission. The members
20 first appointed under this amendatory Act of 1984 shall serve
21 for a term of 3 years. Thereafter all terms shall be for 3
22 years, with each member serving no more than 2 consecutive
23 terms. Vacancies in the membership are to be filled in the same

1 manner as original appointments. Appointments to fill
2 vacancies occurring before the expiration of a term are for the
3 remainder of the unexpired term. A member of the Commission
4 shall serve for a term ending on June 30 and until his or her
5 successor is appointed and has qualified or until the member
6 resigns and the resignation is filed with the Secretary of
7 State.

8 (c) The Commission shall annually elect a Chairman and any
9 other officers it deems necessary. The Commission shall meet at
10 least once every 3 months with the times and places of meetings
11 determined by the Chairman. Additional meetings may be called
12 by the Chairman upon written notice 7 days before the meeting
13 or by written petition of 5 members to the Chairman. A simple
14 majority of the members serving on ~~Six members~~ of the
15 Commission shall constitute a quorum.

16 (d) Members of the Commission are not entitled to
17 compensation but shall receive reimbursement for actual
18 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

19 (Source: P.A. 83-1538.)

20 (20 ILCS 3955/14) (from Ch. 91 1/2, par. 714)

21 Sec. 14. Regional authorities; membership; term of office.
22 Each regional authority shall consist of the 9 members
23 appointed by the Director, in accordance with this Section.
24 Each regional authority shall include insofar as possible one
25 professionally knowledgeable and broadly experienced employee

1 or officer of a provider of each of the following services:
2 mental health, developmental disabilities, and vocational
3 rehabilitation. No other employee or officer of a service
4 provider shall be appointed to a regional authority. In making
5 appointments, the Director shall strive to ensure
6 representation of minority groups and of eligible persons, and
7 shall give due consideration to recommendations of persons and
8 groups assisting eligible persons. The Director may remove for
9 incompetence, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office any
10 member of a regional authority. All actions taken by the
11 Director to appoint or remove members shall be reported to the
12 Commission at the next scheduled Commission meeting.

13 Each regional authority shall annually elect a chairman and
14 any other officers it deems necessary. Members of the regional
15 authorities shall serve for a term of 3 years, except that the
16 terms of the first appointees shall be as follows: 3 members
17 serving for a 1 year term; 3 members serving for a 2 year term;
18 and 3 members serving for a 3 year term. Assignment of terms of
19 such first appointees shall be by lot. No member shall serve
20 for more than 2 consecutive 3 year terms. A simple majority of
21 the members serving on a regional authority ~~Five members~~ shall
22 constitute a quorum.

23 Vacancies in the regional authorities shall be filled in
24 the same manner as original appointments.

25 Members of the regional authorities shall serve without
26 compensation but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses

1 incurred in the performance of their duties.

2 Each regional authority shall meet not less than once every
3 2 months. Meetings may also be held upon call of the Regional
4 Chairman or upon written request of a simple majority of the
5 members serving on ~~any 5 members of~~ the regional authority.

6 (Source: P.A. 96-271, eff. 1-1-10.)

7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
8 becoming law.