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STATE OF MAINE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1491, L.D. 2103, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Emergency Medical Technicians"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the statement of fact the following:

Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §88, sub-§1, ¶A, as amended by PL 1991, c. 588, §16, is further amended to read:

A. The board has one member representing each regional council, and 7 persons in addition. Of the additional persons, ~~one is a physician~~ 2 are physicians, one an attorney, ~~one a representative~~ 2 are representatives of the public, ~~one a representative of for-profit ambulance services, one a and 2 are professional nurse nurses, one a representative of first-responder services and one a representative of not for-profit ambulance services.~~ The regional council members must be either persons regulated by this chapter or members of the general public. The public members, their parents and children may not be in a profession or occupation any of whose members are generally involved with activities covered by this chapter or first aid related health activities. Appointments are for 3-year terms. Members must be appointed by the Governor. The state medical director is an ex officio nonvoting member of the board.

Sec. 5. Transition. The Governor shall name replacement members within 60 days after the effective date of this Act as necessary to implement the changes required in section 4 of this Act.

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FISCAL NOTE

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Additional rule-making costs associated with the Emergency Medical Services Board setting its licensing and relicensing requirements by rule will be absorbed by the board utilizing existing budgeted resources.'

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This amendment eliminates the ambulance service and first responder service members of the 13-member Emergency Medical Services Board and replaces them with a 2nd physician, nurse and member of the public. It also requires that the regional members of the board, of which there are currently 6 members, must be members of a profession regulated by the board or members of the general public. Currently, there are no qualifications for these members. The amendment also adds a fiscal note.

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