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Committee: Health and Human Services

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to health and human services; to amend section
2 43-1302, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2010; to
3 provide a membership requirement for State Foster Care
4 Review Board members; to eliminate obsolete provisions;
5 and to repeal the original section.
6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 43-1302, Revised Statutes Cumulative
2 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:

3 43-1302 (1) The State Foster Care Review Board shall be
4 comprised of eleven members appointed by the Governor with the
5 approval of a majority of the members elected to the Legislature,
6 consisting of: Three members of local foster care review boards, one
7 from each congressional district; one practitioner of pediatric
8 medicine, licensed under the Uniform Credentialing Act; one
9 practitioner of child clinical psychology, licensed under the Uniform
10 Credentialing Act; one social worker certified under the Uniform
11 Credentialing Act, with expertise in the area of child welfare; one
12 attorney who is or has been a guardian ad litem; one representative
13 of a statewide child advocacy group; one director of a child advocacy
14 center; one director of a court appointed special advocate program;
15 and one member of the public who has a background in business or
16 finance. Prior to appointment, each potential member shall disclose
17 any and all funding he or she or his or her employer receives from
18 the Department of Health and Human Services, and after appointment no
19 member or his or her employer shall receive any funds from such
20 department.

21 The terms of members appointed pursuant to this
22 subsection shall be three years, except that of the initial members
23 of the state board, one-third shall be appointed for terms of one
24 year, one-third for terms of two years, and one-third for terms of
25 three years, as determined by the Governor. No person appointed by

1 the Governor to the state board shall serve more than two consecutive
2 three-year terms. An appointee to a vacancy occurring from an
3 unexpired term shall serve out the term of his or her predecessor.
4 Members whose terms have expired shall continue to serve until their
5 successors have been appointed and qualified. ~~Members serving on the~~
6 ~~state board on December 31, 2005, shall continue in office until the~~
7 ~~members appointed under this subsection take office.~~ The members of
8 the state board shall, to the extent possible, represent the three
9 congressional districts equally.

10 (2) The state board shall select a chairperson, vice-
11 chairperson, and such other officers as the state board deems
12 necessary. Members of the state board shall be reimbursed for their
13 actual and necessary expenses as provided in sections 81-1174 to
14 81-1177. The state board shall employ or contract for services from
15 such persons as are necessary to aid it in carrying out its duties.

16 Sec. 2. Original section 43-1302, Revised Statutes
17 Cumulative Supplement, 2010, is repealed.