

1 d. One shall be a nurse practitioner as defined in G.S. 90-18.2 as
2 recommended by the Review Panel pursuant to G.S. 90-3.

3 (3) Two public members appointed by the General Assembly in accordance with
4 G.S. 120-121, one upon recommendation of the Speaker of the House of
5 Representatives and one upon the recommendation of the President Pro
6 Tempore of the Senate.

7 (a1) Each appointing and nominating authority shall endeavor to see, insofar as possible,
8 that its appointees and nominees to the Board reflect the composition of the State with regard to
9 gender, ethnic, racial, and age composition.

10 (b) No member shall serve more than two complete three-year terms in a lifetime,
11 except that each member shall serve until a successor is chosen and qualifies.

12 (b1) A public member appointed pursuant to sub-subdivision (a)(2)b. and subdivision
13 (a)(3) of this section shall not be a health care provider nor the spouse of a health care provider.
14 For the purpose of Board membership, "health care provider" means any licensed health care
15 professional, agent, or employee of a health care institution, health care insurer, health care
16 professional school, or a member of any allied health profession. For purposes of this section, a
17 person enrolled in a program as preparation to be a licensed health care professional or an allied
18 health professional shall be deemed a health care provider. For purposes of this section, any
19 person with significant financial interest in a health service or profession is not a public
20 member.

21 (c) Repealed by Session Laws 2003-366, s. 1, effective October 1, 2003.

22 (d) Any member of the Board may be removed from office by the Governor for good
23 cause shown. Any vacancy in the physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner
24 membership of the Board shall be filled for the period of the unexpired term by the Governor
25 from a list submitted by the Review Panel pursuant to G.S. 90-3 except as provided in
26 G.S. 90-2(a)(2)a. Any vacancy in the public membership of the Board shall be filled by the
27 ~~Governor~~ appropriate appointing authority for the unexpired term.

28 (e) The North Carolina Medical Board shall have the power to acquire, hold, rent,
29 encumber, alienate, and otherwise deal with real property in the same manner as any private
30 person or corporation, subject only to approval of the Governor and the Council of State as to
31 the acquisition, rental, encumbering, leasing, and sale of real property. Collateral pledged by
32 the Board for an encumbrance is limited to the assets, income, and revenues of the Board."

33 **SECTION 2.** For the term of the public member appointed by the Governor
34 expiring in 2017, that member shall be appointed by the General Assembly upon the
35 recommendation of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in accordance with
36 G.S. 120-121. For the term of the public member appointed by the Governor expiring in 2018,
37 that member shall be appointed by the General Assembly upon the recommendation of the
38 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, in accordance with G.S. 120-121. As terms expire
39 thereafter or as vacancies occur prior to the expiration of a term, the members on the Medical
40 Board shall be appointed in accordance with G.S. 90-2, as amended by this act.

41 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to vacancies
42 occurring after June 30, 2017.