

CHAPTER 21

H.B. No. 374

An Act relating to the Advisory Council for Technical-Vocational Education.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. (a) Section 31.12(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The council consists of 13 ~~[24]~~ members appointed by the ~~[State Board of Education after recommendation by the]~~ governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(b) Effective January 1, 1989, Section 31.12(a), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The council consists of 13 ~~[24]~~ members appointed by the State Board of Education after recommendation by the governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.

SECTION 2. Section 31.12(b), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The council consists of:

(1) seven individuals who represent the private sector in this state and who constitute a majority of the membership:

(A) five of whom represent business, industry, and agriculture, including:

(i) one who represents small business concerns; and

(ii) one who is a private-sector member of the State Job Training Coordinating Council established under the federal Job Training Partnership Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 1501 et seq., and Section 8(b), Texas Job-Training Partnership Act (Article 4413(52), Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes); and

(B) two of whom represent labor organizations; and

(2) six individuals who:

(A) represent secondary and postsecondary vocational institutions (equitably distributed among those institutions);

(B) represent career guidance and counseling organizations in this state; and

(C) have special knowledge and qualifications with respect to the special educational and career development needs of special populations (including women, disadvantaged individuals, handicapped individuals, individuals with limited English proficiency, and minorities), one of whom represents special education ~~[one member who represents and is familiar with vocational needs and the problems of management in the state;~~

~~[(2) one member who represents and is familiar with vocational needs and the problems of labor in the state;~~

~~[(3) one member who represents state industrial and economic development agencies;~~

~~[(4) one member who represents community and junior colleges;~~

~~[(5) one member who is actively engaged in technical training institutes;~~

~~[(6) one member who represents and is familiar with public programs of vocational education in comprehensive secondary schools;~~

~~[(7) one member who has special knowledge, experience, or qualifications with respect to vocational education but who is not involved in the administration of state or local vocational/education programs;~~

~~[(8) one member who is currently serving as superintendent or other administrator of a local educational agency;~~

~~[(9) one member who is currently serving on a local school board and who is a member of a major parent organization;~~

~~[(10) one member who represents institutions of higher education other than community and junior colleges, area vocational schools, technical institutes, and post secondary agencies or institutions that provide programs of vocational or technical education and training;~~

~~[(11) one member who is familiar with post secondary baccalaureate technological degree programs;~~

~~[(12) one member who represents the State Job Training Coordinating Council established pursuant to the Job Training Partnership Act (Pub. L. No. 97/300);~~

~~[(13) one member who represents a school system with a large concentration of persons who have special academic, social, economic, and cultural needs and of persons who have limited English-speaking ability;~~

~~[(14) one member who has special knowledge, experience, or qualifications with respect to the special educational needs of physically or mentally handicapped persons;~~

~~[(15) one member who represents and is familiar with the needs of the poor and disadvantaged in this state and who is receiving or has received within the preceding three years adult basic education services;~~

~~[(16) one member who represents and is familiar with the vocational needs and problems of agriculture in the state;~~

~~[(17) one member who represents the general public;~~

~~[(18) one member who represents proprietary vocational/technical schools of the state;~~

~~[(19) one member who is a vocational education student who is not otherwise qualified for membership;~~

~~[(20) one member who represents and is familiar with vocational guidance and counseling services;~~

~~[(21) one member who represents and is familiar with nonprofit private schools;~~

~~[(22) one member who represents state correctional institutions;~~

~~[(23) one member who is a vocational education teacher presently teaching in a local educational agency; and~~

~~[(24) one member who is a woman with background and experience in employment and training programs; who is knowledgeable with respect to the special experiences and problems of sex discrimination in job training and employment and of sex stereotyping in vocational education; and who is a member of a minority group and has special knowledge of discrimination in job training and employment against women who are members of minority groups].~~

SECTION 3. Section 31.12, Education Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) In selecting individuals to serve on the advisory council, consideration shall be given to the appointment of individuals who serve on a private industry council under the federal Job Training Partnership Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 1501 et seq., or on state councils established under related federal programs.

SECTION 4. Section 31.13, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 31.13. **TERMS.** Members of the council hold office for staggered terms of three years, with the terms of *four or five*~~eight~~ members expiring on February 1 of each year.

SECTION 5. Section 31.14, Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 31.14. **CHAIRMAN; OFFICERS.** The council shall elect annually *a chairman* from among its members *who represent the private sector* ~~a chairman~~ and any other officers it considers necessary *from among any of its members*.

SECTION 6. Section 31.31(c), Education Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The council shall perform only the functions as are herein enumerated; those specified in 20 U.S.C. Ch. 44; and those assigned to it by the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act, Pub. L. No. 98-524, by the legislature, or by the governor.

SECTION 7. (a) The terms of members of the Technical-Vocational Advisory Council in office on the effective date of this Act expire when successors are appointed by the governor and have qualified. The governor shall appoint 13 members to the council as soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 31.13, Education Code, as amended by this Act, the initial members of the council appointed by the governor serve terms expiring January 1, 1989, and the initial members appointed by the State Board of Education under Section 31.12(a), Education Code, as amended by Section 1(b) of this Act, serve terms as follows:

(1) four members designated by the board serve terms expiring February 1, 1990;

(2) four members designated by the board serve terms expiring February 1, 1991; and

(3) five members designated by the board serve terms expiring February 1, 1992.

SECTION 8. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed by the House on March 12, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on March 21, 1985, by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 0.

Approved: April 3, 1985

Effective: Immediately