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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 143

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(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SERVICES FOR THE BLIND."**

1 Strike subsection (b) in its entirety and insert the following in lieu  
2 thereof:

3 "(b) (1) On and after January 4, 2007, the Board of Education and  
4 Services for the Blind shall consist of members appointed as follows:  
5 Six appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the president pro  
6 tempore of the Senate, one appointed by the speaker of the House of  
7 Representatives, one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate,  
8 one appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, one appointed by  
9 the majority leader of the House of Representatives and one appointed  
10 by the minority leader of the House of Representatives and all shall be  
11 residents of the state. The Commissioner of Social Services shall be a

12 member, ex officio. One of the members appointed by the Governor  
13 shall be the parent of a child who receives services provided by the  
14 board, and not less than two of the members appointed by the  
15 Governor shall be blind persons.

16 (2) Three members appointed by the Governor shall serve a term of  
17 four years. Three members appointed by the Governor shall serve a  
18 term of two years. The three members appointed by the president pro  
19 tempore of the Senate, the majority leader of the Senate and the  
20 minority leader of the Senate shall serve a term of four years. The three  
21 members appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,  
22 the majority leader of the House of Representatives, and the minority  
23 leader of the House of Representatives shall serve a term of two years.  
24 Thereafter, all members shall be appointed for a term of four years,  
25 commencing on January fourth of the year of the appointment.

26 (3) One of the members appointed by the Governor shall be  
27 designated by the Governor as the chairperson of the board. The board  
28 shall meet annually in the month of September and may meet at any  
29 other time upon the call of its chairperson; and the chairperson shall  
30 call a meeting at the request of two members. Any appointed member  
31 who fails to attend three consecutive meetings or fifty per cent of all  
32 meetings held during any calendar year shall be deemed to have  
33 resigned. A majority of the members in office shall constitute a  
34 quorum. The appointing authority may, for reasonable cause, remove  
35 any appointed member and appoint another person to fill the vacancy  
36 for the unexpired portion of the term. Any vacancy in the Board of  
37 Education and Services for the Blind shall be filled by the appointing  
38 authority for the unexpired portion of the term."