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2011-2012 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

February 14, 2011

Introduced by Sen. BONACIC -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the workers' compensation law, in relation to requiring at least one member of the workers' compensation board to be a chiropractor

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 140 of the workers' compensation law, as amended by chapter 57 of the laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows:

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140. [Workmen's] WORKERS' compensation board. The [workmen's] WORK-ERS' compensation board in the department of labor is hereby continued. Such board shall consist of thirteen members, at least four of whom shall be attorneys and counsellors-at-law duly admitted to practice this state AND AT LEAST ONE OF WHOM SHALL BE A CHIROPRACTOR LICENSED TO PRACTICE IN THIS STATE. The members of the board shall be appointed by the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate. members of the board in office, together with the additional members and the members appointed to fill vacancies, if any, at the time this section takes effect, shall continue, notwithstanding the appointment of any of the members for a term expiring on a different date, to hold office for terms to be assigned by the governor by and with the advice consent of the senate; two such terms to expire on December thirtyfirst, nineteen hundred fifty; two to expire on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-one; two to expire on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-two; two to expire on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-three; two to expire on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-four; two to expire on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-five; and one to expire on December thirty-first, nineteen hundred fifty-six. The members next appointed, except to fill a

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

vacancy created otherwise than by expiration of term, shall be appointed

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for terms of seven years. The governor shall designate one of the members of the board as chairman and another as vice-chairman.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately provided, however, that the amendments to section 140 of the workers' compensation law made by section one of this act shall not affect the terms of current members serving on the workers' compensation board and shall only apply to new board members filling vacancies after this act shall have become a law, and provided further, that the provisions of this act shall not prohibit current members from being reappointed.