§ 841-a. Security guard advisory council. 1. There is hereby created within the division a security guard advisory council composed of seventeen members who are knowledgeable about the security guard industry. In addition, the council shall include as ex-officio non-voting members, the secretary of state and the commissioner of the division of criminal justice services, or their respective designees. All members shall be residents of the state and shall be selected as follows:

(a) eight shall be appointed by the governor, one of whom shall be a representative of a contractual security company, one of whom shall be a representative of a proprietary security company, one of whom shall be a person actively employed as a security guard for a contractual security company and one of whom shall be a person actively employed as a security guard for a proprietary security company;

(b) three shall be appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the temporary president of the senate;

(c) one shall be appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the minority leader of the senate;

(d) three shall be appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the speaker of the assembly;

(e) one shall be appointed by the governor on the recommendation of the minority leader of the assembly;

(f) one shall be appointed by the governor who shall be a full-time faculty member of a college or university who teaches and whose area of expertise is in the field of security.

2. The governor shall designate from among the members of the council a chairperson and a vice-chairperson who shall each serve at the pleasure of the governor.

3. All members of the council appointed by the governor shall be appointed for terms of three years, such terms to commence on January first, and expire on December thirty-first; provided, however, that of the members first appointed, four shall be appointed for one year terms and four shall be appointed for two year terms. Any member chosen to fill a vacancy created otherwise than by expiration of term shall be appointed for the unexpired term of the member whom he is to succeed.

Vacancies caused by expiration of a term or otherwise shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments. Any member may be reappointed for additional terms.

4. The council shall meet as frequently as it deems necessary but in no event less than one time in each year. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson and shall be called by him or her at the request of the governor or upon the written request of nine members of the council. The council may establish its own requirements as to quorum and its own procedures with respect to the conduct of its meetings and other affairs; provided, however, that all recommendations made by the council to the governor pursuant to section eight hundred forty-one-b of this article shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the council.

5. Membership on the council shall not constitute the holding of an office, and members of the council shall not be required to take and file oaths of office before serving on the council. The council shall not have the right to exercise any portion of the sovereign powers of the state.

6. The members of the council shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be allowed their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their functions hereunder.

7. No member of the council shall be disqualified from holding any public office or employment, nor shall he or she forfeit any such office or employment, by reason of his or her appointment hereunder, notwithstanding the provisions of any general, special or local law, ordinance or city charter.