§ 221. Public health and health planning council; terms of office; vacancies. 1. The terms of office of members of the public health and health planning council shall be six years. The members of the council shall continue in office until the expiration of their terms and until their successors are appointed and have qualified. Such appointments shall be made by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, within one year following the expiration of such terms.

2. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired terms within one year of the date upon which such vacancies occur.

3. In making appointments to the council, the governor shall seek to ensure that membership on the council reflects the diversity of the state's population including, but not limited to the various geographic areas and population densities throughout the state.

4. Notwithstanding subdivision one of this section, of the ten members appointed or reappointed to the council on or after December first, two thousand ten, two shall serve a term of three years, two shall serve a term of four years, three shall serve a term of five years, and three shall serve a term of six years. Thereafter, members appointed or reappointed upon expiration of a term of office shall be appointed for a term of six years and shall continue in office until their successors are appointed.