**§ 3907. Agricultural health and safety advisory board.** 1. There is hereby created an advisory board to be known as the "agricultural health and safety advisory board", to be comprised of twelve members consisting of the following named persons or their designees: the commissioner of health; the commissioner of agriculture and markets; the dean of the school of public health sciences at the state university of New York at Albany; the dean of the college of agriculture and life sciences at Cornell university; and eight additional members, one of whom shall be appointed by the governor and shall be a representative of a county cooperative extension, one of whom shall be appointed by the governor and shall be a representative of rural New York, six of whom shall be representatives of general farm organizations, or individual farmers with annual gross sales of ten thousand dollars or more, or individuals involved in providing health and safety services in counties with fewer than two hundred thousand persons, or members of farm workers organizations, to be appointed as follows: two by the temporary president of the senate, two by the speaker of the assembly, one by the minority leader of the senate, and one by the minority leader of the assembly. Members of the board shall elect a chairperson on an annual basis.

2. Members of the board shall receive no salary, but shall be reimbursed by the director for expenses actually and necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their duties as described hereunder.

3. Vacancies on the board shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments.

4. The director shall cause the center to provide staff assistance necessary for the efficient and effective operation of the board.

5. The board shall render advice regarding:

a. statewide needs to be addressed by the center;

b. the coordination of program activities with state agencies,

not-for-profit corporations and other interested parties;

c. dissemination of research results and educational information; and

d. identification of funding sources for center program.