

SB 421 - AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL **421**

AN ACT relative to the membership and duties of the trauma medical review committee.

SPONSORS: Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Carson, Dist 14; Sen. Fenton, Dist 10; Sen. Avard, Dist 12; Sen. Rosenwald, Dist 13; Sen. Gannon, Dist 23; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Sen. Perkins Kwoka, Dist 21; Sen. McGough, Dist 11; Sen. Birdsell, Dist 19

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill amends the membership of and adds an additional duty to the trauma medical review committee.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT relative to the membership and duties of the trauma medical review committee.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 1 Trauma Medical Review Committee; Membership. Amend RSA 153-A:8, I to read as follows:

2 I. There is established a trauma medical review committee which shall consist of:

3 (a) **One representative from each trauma hospital level of care, levels I, II, III,**
 4 **and IV. These representatives may consist of trauma surgeons, emergency** [~~A minimum of 5~~
 5 ~~physicians representing the surgical disciplines of neurosurgery, general surgery, pediatric surgery,~~
 6 ~~orthopedic surgery, and other]~~ physicians experienced in the treatment of adult and pediatric
 7 trauma patients, **trauma program managers, or trauma registrars.**

8 (b) One member from the New Hampshire chapter of the American College of
 9 Emergency Physicians.

10 (c) One member from the New Hampshire Paramedic Association.

11 (d) One member from the New Hampshire Emergency Nurses Association.

12 (e) One trauma nurse coordinator **with a background in trauma performance**
 13 **improvement.**

14 (f) One member from the New Hampshire Association of Emergency Medical
 15 Technicians.

16 (g) The state medical examiner or designee.

17 (h) One member of the emergency medical services medical control board.

18 (i) One representative from a New Hampshire acute care hospital nominated by the New
 19 Hampshire Hospital Association.

20 (j) One representative of the Professional Firefighters of New Hampshire.

21 (k) One representative of the New Hampshire Association of Fire Chiefs.

22 **(l) One injury prevention coordinator.**

23 **(m) One trauma survivor.**

24 2 New Subparagraph; Trauma Medical Review Committee; Duty Added. Amend RSA 153-A:8,
 25 V by inserting after subparagraph (h) the following new subparagraph:

26 (i) Annually provide a report to the governor on the status of New Hampshire's trauma
 27 system including the names, levels, and locations of all trauma hospitals, the activities and
 28 recommendations of the trauma medical review committee for the continuous improvement of New
 29 Hampshire's trauma system, and data that summarizes the leading causes of injury and death in
 30 New Hampshire from both intentional and unintentional injuries.

31 3 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.