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SENATE BILL **190**

AN ACT relative to the state health assessment and state health improvement plan advisory council and the commission on the interdisciplinary primary care workforce.

SPONSORS: Sen. Prentiss, Dist 5

COMMITTEE: Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

This bill sets quorum requirements and requirements for certain members to be present at the physical location of the meeting, as well as other meeting requirements, for both the state health assessment and state health improvement plan advisory council and the commission on the interdisciplinary primary care workforce.

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Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.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 Five

AN ACT relative to the state health assessment and state health improvement plan advisory council and the commission on the interdisciplinary primary care workforce.

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

1 1 State Health Assessment and State Health Improvement Plan Advisory Council Established.

2 Amend RSA 126-A:88, III to read as follows:

3 III. Members of the council appointed under subparagraphs I(a) through (j) shall serve a
4 term coterminous with their term in office. The members appointed pursuant to subparagraphs I(k)
5 through (ii) shall serve 6-year terms provided that initial appointments shall be for staggered terms
6 of one to 6 years. Legislative members shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
7 the duties of the council. The first-named senate member shall convene the organizational meeting
8 of the council within 45 days of the effective date of this section for the purpose of electing officers.
9 The chairperson shall be elected upon a majority vote of the council. [~~Twenty members~~] **A majority**
10 **of the appointed members of the council** shall constitute a quorum.

11 2 State Health Assessment and State Health Improvement Plan Advisory Council Established.

12 Amend RSA 126-A:88, V to read as follows:

13 V. The council shall be subject to the provision of RSA 91-A. ***Notwithstanding RSA 91-A:2,***
14 ***IV, or any other law to the contrary, at least one-seventh of the total appointed membership***
15 ***of the council shall be present at the physical location of the meeting. Each member***
16 ***participating electronically or otherwise shall be able to contemporaneously and***
17 ***throughout the meeting see and hear, and be seen and heard by, the other members of the***
18 ***public body attending the meeting and members of the public in attendance at the meeting***
19 ***site. A member participating in a meeting remotely as described in this paragraph is***
20 ***deemed to be present for all purposes, including for determination of a quorum and voting.***
21 ***Each member participating remotely shall identify the persons present in the location from***
22 ***which the member is participating. All votes taken during such a meeting shall be by roll***
23 ***call vote. Members of the public shall be permitted to participate remotely in remotely held***
24 ***council meetings, including testifying or asking questions as the rules and procedures of***
25 ***the council allow.***

26 3 New Section; Commission on the Interdisciplinary Primary Care Workforce; Meetings Open to
27 Public and Quorum Requirement. Amend RSA 126-T by inserting after section 3 the following new
28 section:

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1 126-T:3-a Meetings Open to Public and Quorum Requirement. Notwithstanding RSA 91-A:2,
2 IV, or any other law to the contrary, at least one-seventh of the total appointed membership of the
3 commission shall be present at the physical location of the meeting. Each member participating
4 electronically or otherwise shall be able to contemporaneously and throughout the meeting see and
5 hear, and be seen and heard by, the other members of the public body attending the meeting and
6 members of the public in attendance at the meeting site. A member participating in a meeting
7 remotely as described in this paragraph is deemed to be present for all purposes, including for
8 determination of a quorum and voting. Each member participating remotely shall identify the
9 persons present in the location from which the member is participating. All votes taken during such
10 a meeting shall be by roll call vote. Members of the public shall be permitted to participate remotely
11 in remotely held commission meetings, including testifying or asking questions as the rules and
12 procedures of the commission allow. A majority of the appointed members of the commission shall
13 constitute a quorum.

14 4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.