

1977 Assembly Bill 1039

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AN ACT to amend 140.09 (3) and 141.01 (2) (b) of the statutes, relating to expanding the membership of county boards of health and county health commissions to include registered nurses experienced in community health practice.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 140.09 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

140.09 (3) COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH. (a) Each single county health department shall be managed by a board of health, consisting of not less than ~~5~~ 6 nor more than ~~7~~ 8 members, appointed by the chairman of the county board with the approval of the county board. One member shall be a member of the county board. Two members shall be physicians, practicing in the county, and shall be selected from a list of 5 physicians submitted by the county medical society. One member shall be a dentist, practicing in the county, and shall be selected from a list of 3 dentists submitted by the county dental society. If the county medical or dental society fails to submit such list within 60 days after request by the county board chairman, the county board may appoint 2 physicians and one dentist of its choice. One member shall be a registered nurse with experience in community health practice. The remaining members shall be residents of the county, ~~men or women~~ who are ~~persons of ability and~~ known to have a broad social viewpoint and a serious interest in the health protection of their community. The first appointee will serve one year, the second 2 years, the third 3 years, fourth 4 years, fifth 5 years, sixth, ~~if any,~~ one year, seventh, if any, 2 years, eighth, if any, 3 years, and their successors shall each serve for 5 years. Terms shall begin on anniversary dates of the organization of the board of health.

(b) Each multiple county health department shall be managed by a board of health consisting of ~~3~~ 4 members appointed from each county by the chairman of the

respective county board with the approval of the county board. One shall be a member of the county board. One shall be a physician practicing in the county ~~and shall be~~ selected from a list of 3 physicians submitted by the county medical society. ~~The third member~~ One shall be a dentist practicing in the county ~~and shall be~~ selected from a list of 3 dentists submitted by the county dental society. The 4th member shall be a registered nurse with experience in community health practice. The term of office will be for 5 years except that the first appointee of each county board will be for 2 years, the second for 3 years, the third for 4 years and the ~~third~~ fourth for 5 years. Terms shall begin on the anniversary dates of the organizations of the board of health.

(c) A county board and a city council for a city located in a county may organize a joint city-county department of health. Such city-county health department shall be managed by a board of health consisting of ~~7~~ 8 members. One member shall be a member of the city council and shall be appointed by the mayor or city manager with the approval of the council. One member shall be a member of the county board and shall be appointed by the chairman of the county board with the approval of the board. Two members shall be physicians practicing in the county selected from a list of 5 physicians furnished by the county medical society. One such physician shall be appointed by the chairman of the county board with the approval of the board and one by the mayor or city manager with approval of the council. One member shall be a dentist practicing in the county and shall be appointed by the chairman of the county board with approval of the board from a list of 3 dentists submitted by the county dental society. One member shall be a registered nurse with experience in community health practice. Two members shall be residents of the county and shall be persons of ability and known to have a broad social viewpoint and a serious interest in the health protection of the community. The chairman of the county board, with the approval of the county board, shall appoint one such member and the mayor or city manager, with the approval of the council, shall appoint the other. The first member appointed shall hold office for one year, the second member for 2 years, the third member 3 years, the fourth member 4 years, the fifth member 5 years, the sixth member one year ~~and~~ the seventh member 2 years and the eighth member 3 years. Their successors shall each hold office for 5 years. Terms shall begin on anniversary dates of the organization of the board of health.

SECTION 2. 141.01 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

141.01 (2) (b) Not less than ~~5~~ 6 nor more than ~~7~~ 8 members: One a member of the county board; 2 physicians practicing in the county to be selected from a list of 5 physicians submitted by the county medical society; one dentist practicing in the county to be selected from a list of 3 dentists submitted by the county dental society; one registered nurse with experience in community health practice; the remainder to be residents of the county, ~~men or women,~~ who are ~~persons of ability and~~ known to have a broad social viewpoint and a serious interest in the health protection of their community, and the district health officer, ex officio. The first appointee to serve one year; the second 2 years; the third 3 years; the fourth 4 years; the fifth 5 years; the sixth, ~~if any,~~ one year; the seventh, if any, 2 years; the eighth, if any, 3 years; and their successors shall each serve for 5 years.
