

State of Tennessee PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 619

HOUSE BILL NO. 2540

By Representatives Cobb, Shipley, Rich

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2321

By Senator Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62, Chapter 32, relative to the state board for alarm systems contractors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-233(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (20) in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-237(a), is amended by adding a new subdivision thereto, as follows:

() State board for alarm systems contractors, created by § 62-32-306;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-32-306, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a)

- (1) There is created a state board for licensing alarm systems contractors, called the "board" in this part. The board shall be composed of five (5) members, to be appointed by the governor. At least one (1) member shall be a person who is not engaged in the contracting business in any county of this state. The remaining members of the board shall be alarm systems contractors as defined in § 62-32-303, all of whom shall have been actively engaged in the business for a period of no less than four (4) years next preceding their appointment and may be appointed from lists of qualified persons submitted by interested burglar and fire alarm organizations including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Burglar and Fire Alarm Association. No more than two (2) members of the board shall be residents of the same grand division of the state. In making appointments to the board, the governor shall strive to ensure that at least one (1) person serving on the board is sixty (60) years of age or older and that at least one (1) person serving on the board is a member of a racial minority.
- (2) The governor shall consult with interested groups including, but not limited to, the organizations listed in subdivision (a)(1) to determine qualified persons to fill positions on the board.
- (b) All subsequent appointments of successor members shall be made by the governor at the expiration of the respective terms of the members.
- (c) In the event of a vacancy on the board for any reason and the governor failing to appoint a successor within ninety (90) days after the vacancy occurs, the board is empowered to fill that vacancy from lists of nominees submitted by the interested burglar and fire alarm organizations described in subsection (a), until the governor makes an appointment.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 23rd day of March 2012

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR