State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 630

SENATE BILL NO. 3380

By Bell

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3547

By Cobb, Rich

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 63, Chapter 27, Part 1, relative to the board of respiratory care.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-232(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (5) in its entirety.

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

( ) Board of respiratory care, created by § 63-27-103;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-27-103, is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) The governor may consider for appointment to the board the names of qualified persons recommended by interested respiratory care groups including, but not limited to, the professional organizations for each profession represented on the board. The Tennessee Society for Respiratory Care may submit a list of three (3) names for each position to be filled by a respiratory care practitioner. The Tennessee Medical Association may submit a list of three (3) names for the position to be filled by a physician having expertise in pulmonary medicine. The THA, an Association of Hospitals and Health Systems, may submit a list of three (3) names for the position to be filled by a hospital administrator and a list of three (3) names for the position to be filled by a hospital employee licensed as a registered respiratory therapist. The governor shall consult with the interested respiratory care groups to determine qualified persons to fill the positions.

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

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PASSED: March 8, 2012

RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

BETH HARWELL, *SPEAKER*
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 23rd day of March 2012

BILL HASLAM, *GOVERNOR*