State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 697

SENATE BILL NO. 3386

By Bell

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3545

By Cobb, Rich

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Section 63-17-104, relative to the board of communications disorders and sciences.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-17-104, is amended by deleting subdivision (b)(2) and by substituting instead the following:

> (b)(2) The physician member of the board may be selected by the governor from lists of qualified nominees submitted by interested otolaryngology groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Academy of Otolaryngology and shall serve for a term of three (3) years. The governor shall consult with such interested groups to determine qualified persons to fill the position. If for any reason a vacancy occurs in the office of a physician member of the board, an appointment shall be made as provided in this section, and the person so appointed shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term; and

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-17-104, is further amended by deleting subdivision (c)(4) and by substituting instead the following:

> (4) When a vacancy in the office of one (1) of the five (5) nonphysician members engaged in rendering services, teaching or research in speech language pathology or audiology occurs, interested audiology and speech pathology groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Association of Audiologists and Speech Language Pathologists may submit lists of qualified nominees to be considered for the vacancy. The governor shall consult with such interested groups to determine qualified persons to fill the vacancy.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

SENATE BILL NO.   <u>3386</u>

PASSED: <u>March 26, 2012</u>

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RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

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BETH HARWELL, *SPEAKER*
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this <u>11th</u> day of <u>April</u> 2012

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BILL HASLAM, *GOVERNOR*