CHAPTER 5

AN ACT concerning the Advisory Graduate Medical Education Council of New Jersey and amending P.L.1977, c.390.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 4 of P.L.1977, c.390 (C.18A:64H-4) is amended to read as follows:

C.18A:64H-4 Council membership; appointment; terms; vacancies; advisory committees; executive director and employees; compensation.

4. The council shall consist of 15 members, 12 voting members and three nonvoting members; four members of the council shall be appointed by the Governor and 11 shall be ex officio members. The appointments shall consist of three representatives of the public and one student currently enrolled in a graduate medical training program; the appointed members shall be voting members of the council. The president of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, who shall serve as chairperson; a dean from one of the medical schools of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, to be selected by the president of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey; the dean of the School of Graduate Medical Education of Seton Hall University; the president of the New Jersey Hospital Association; the president of the Association of Hospital Directors of Medical Education of New Jersey; the president of the New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons; the president of the Medical Society of New Jersey; and the president of the New Jersey Council of Teaching Hospitals or their designated representatives shall be ex officio, voting members of the council. The Commissioner of Health and Senior Services; the president of the State Board of Medical Examiners and the Commissioner of Human Services or their designated representatives shall be ex officio, nonvoting members. The appointed members shall serve for a three-year term or until a successor is appointed. For those first appointed, two shall be appointed for a one-year term; one shall be appointed for a two-year term; and one shall be appointed for a three-year term. Any vacancies in the voting membership other than by expiration of term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment but for the unexpired term only. To assist the council in carrying out the intent of this act:

a. The council may appoint advisory committees representative of the medical and health care professions, educators, and students, representatives of medical and health care facilities and consumers. The advisory committees shall provide advice and assistance to the council for the council's performance of its designated functions.

b. The council may employ an executive director and additional staff to provide expertise in the gathering and analysis of data and administration. The executive director shall have the right to speak on all matters at meetings of the council but shall have no vote. The council and the advisory committees shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 26, 2008.