

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1054

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARDS; AMENDING SECTION 39-3134,
2 IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR
3 REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARDS.
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 39-3134, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 39-3134. REGIONAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD -- MEMBERS -- TERMS -- AP-
9 POINTMENT. A regional behavioral health board for each region shall consist
10 of twenty-three (23) members and shall be appointed as provided herein.
11 All meetings of the regional behavioral health board shall be held in ac-
12 cordance with the open meetings law as provided for in chapter 2, title 74,
13 Idaho Code. Members shall be comprised of the following: three (3) county
14 commissioners; two (2) department of health and welfare employees who rep-
15 resent the behavioral health system within the region; one (1) parent of a
16 child with a serious emotional disturbance; one (1) parent of a child with
17 a substance use disorder; a law enforcement officer; one (1) adult mental
18 health services consumer representative; one (1) mental health advocate;
19 one (1) substance use disorder advocate; one (1) adult substance use dis-
20 order services consumer representative; one (1) family member of an adult
21 mental health services consumer; one (1) family member of an adult substance
22 use disorder services consumer; one (1) prevention specialist; a private
23 provider of mental health services within the region; a private provider of
24 substance use disorder services within the region; a representative of the
25 elementary or secondary public education system within the region; a repre-
26 sentative of the juvenile justice system within the region; a representative
27 of the adult correction system within the region; a representative of the ju-
28 diciary appointed by the administrative district judge; a physician or other
29 licensed health practitioner from within the region; and a representative
30 of a hospital within the region. The consumer, parent and family represen-
31 tatives shall be selected from nominations submitted by behavioral health
32 consumer and advocacy organizations. The board may have nonvoting members
33 as necessary to fulfill its roles and responsibilities. The board shall meet
34 at least twice each year and shall annually elect a chairperson and other
35 officers as it deems appropriate.

36 The appointing authority in each region shall be the current chair of
37 the regional behavioral health board, one (1) representative of the depart-
38 ment of health and welfare, and one (1) ~~chair of a board of~~ county commis-
39 sioners of a county situated within the region. The committee shall meet an-
40 nually or as needed to fill vacancies on the board.

41 The term of each member of the board shall be for four (4) years; pro-
42 vided however, that of the members first appointed, one-third (1/3) from

1 each region shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years; one-third (1/3)
2 for a term of three (3) years; and one-third (1/3) for a term of four (4)
3 years. After the membership representation required in this section is
4 achieved, vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner
5 as original appointments. Board members shall be compensated as provided
6 for in section 59-509(b), Idaho Code, and such compensation shall be paid
7 from the operating budget of the regional behavioral health board as re-
8 sources allow.