333.5731 Agent orange commission; creation; appointment, qualifications, and terms of members; vacancy.

Sec. 5731. (1) The agent orange commission is created in the department.

(2) The commission is composed of 14 members, including all of the following:

(a) One member is the director, or his or her designee.

(b) One member is the attorney general, or his or her designee.

(c) The remaining members shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, as follows:

   (i) One member shall be a representative of the Michigan veterans trust fund.

   (ii) Four members shall be researchers who are experts in the fields of cytogenetic evaluations, birth defects, immunological studies, neurological studies, toxicology, oncology, or other fields relevant to the purposes of this part whose knowledge may contribute to the implementation of this part.

   (iii) Five members shall be Vietnam-era veterans, at least 1 of whom shall be a female Vietnam-era veteran.

   (iv) Two members shall represent the general public, 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list of nominees provided by the speaker of the house of representatives, and 1 of whom shall be appointed from a list of nominees provided by the majority leader of the senate.

(3) Members shall each serve for terms of 2 years, and those members who are appointed may be reappointed once. A vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the duration of the unexpired term.


Compiler's note: For transfer of certain powers and duties of the agent orange commission from the department of public health to the director of the department of community health, see E.R.O. No. 1996-1, compiled at MCL 330.3101 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

For transfer of powers and duties of the agent orange commission to the director of the department of community health and the abolishment of the commission, see E.R.O. No. 1997-4, compiled at MCL 333.26324 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

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