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**HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE - HSC**

**DIVISION 13. HOUSING [17000 - 19997]** ( *Division 13 enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.*  )

**PART 2.5. STATE BUILDING STANDARDS [18901 - 18949.31]** ( *Part 2.5 repealed and added by Stats. 1979, Ch. 1152.*  )

**CHAPTER 2. Organization [18920 - 18929.1]** ( *Chapter 2 added by Stats. 1979, Ch. 1152.*  )

**ARTICLE 1. The California Building Standards Commission [18920 - 18924]** ( *Heading of Article 1 amended by Stats. 1992, Ch. 897, Sec. 11.*  )

**18920.** There is continued in existence in the Government Operations Agency a California Building Standards Commission consisting of the Secretary of Government Operations and 10 members appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate.

(Amended by Stats. 2013, Ch. 352, Sec. 345. (AB 1317) Effective September 26, 2013. Operative July 1, 2013, by Sec. 543 of Ch. 352.)

**18921.** (a) The appointed members of the commission shall be selected from, and represent the public, design professions, the building and construction industry, local government building officials, fire and safety officials, and labor in accordance with the following:

(b) Four members shall be appointed from among the professions and industries concerned with building construction as follows:

(1) An architect.

(2) A mechanical or electrical engineer or fire protection engineer.

(3) A structural engineer.

(4) A licensed contractor.

(c) Three members shall be appointed from among the general public at least one of whom shall be a person with physical disabilities.

(d) One member shall be appointed from organized labor in the building trades.

(e) One member shall be appointed who is a local building official.

(f) One member shall be appointed who is a local fire official.

(g) At least one member of the commission shall be experienced and knowledgeable in barrier free architecture and aware of, and sensitive to, the requirements necessary to ensure public buildings are accessible to, and usable by, persons with physical disabilities.

(h) At least one member of the commission shall be experienced and knowledgeable in building energy efficiency standards.

(i) At least one member of the commission shall be experienced and knowledgeable in sustainable building, design, construction, and operation.

(j) As used in this section, "persons with physical disabilities" means persons who have permanent mobility impairments which affect ambulation due to cerebral palsy, poliomyelitis, spinal cord injury, amputation, and other conditions or diseases which reduce mobility or require the use of crutches, canes, or wheelchairs.

(Amended by Stats. 2011, Ch. 399, Sec. 1. (AB 930) Effective January 1, 2012.)

**18922.** The Secretary of Government Operations or the secretary's representative shall serve as the chair of the commission. The commission shall elect a vice chair annually from among its members.

(Amended by Stats. 2013, Ch. 352, Sec. 346. (AB 1317) Effective September 26, 2013. Operative July 1, 2013, by Sec. 543 of Ch. 352.)

**18923.** (a) The term of office of members of the commission shall be four years and they shall hold office until the appointment and qualification of their successors, not to exceed 180 days after the term is expired.

(b) The terms of members of the commission shall be staggered based on the following cycle:

(1) The terms of two members shall expire on January 1, 1981.

(2) The terms of three members shall expire on January 1, 1982.

(3) The terms of two members shall expire on January 1, 1983.

(4) The terms of three members shall expire on January 1, 1984.

(c) Prior members of the commission may be reappointed.

(d) In the event of a vacancy prior to the expiration of a term, an appointment shall be made to fill the balance of the unexpired term.

*(Amended by Stats. 1997, Ch. 580, Sec. 7. Effective January 1, 1998.)*

**18924.** The members of the commission shall serve without compensation. Members of the commission who are not state officers shall be paid their actual necessary travel expenses.

*(Added by Stats. 1979, Ch. 1152.)*