

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

HB 1161 # 9

DIGEST

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT TO HB 1161. Staggers the terms of a nine member local board of health.

1 Page 6, between lines 7 and 8, begin a new paragraph and insert:
2 "SECTION 5. IC 16-20-2-10, AS AMENDED BY P.L.219-2021,
3 SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
4 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 10. **(a) This section applies to a seven (7)**
5 **member board appointed under section 5(b) of this chapter.**

6 ~~(a)~~ **(b)** All members of a local board of health shall be appointed for
7 a term of four (4) years. Each member serves until a successor is
8 appointed and qualified.

9 ~~(b)~~ **(c)** Unless otherwise required by law, after December 31, 1991,
10 the board members serve staggered terms. The appointing authority
11 shall appoint the members of a board in existence on December 31,
12 1991, and the initial members of a board established after December
13 31, 1991, as follows:

- 14 (1) One (1) member must be appointed for one (1) year.
15 (2) Two (2) members must be appointed for two (2) years.
16 (3) Two (2) members must be appointed for three (3) years.
17 (4) Two (2) members must be appointed for four (4) years.

18 SECTION 6. IC 16-20-2-10.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
19 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
20 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 10.5. (a) This section applies to a**
21 **nine (9) member local board of health appointed under section 5(a)**
22 **of this chapter.**

23 **(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the**
24 **term of a board member appointed before January 1, 2027,**
25 **terminates on December 31, 2026.**

26 **(c) After December 31, 2026, members shall be appointed to the**
27 **following initial staggered terms:**

- 28 **(1) One (1) member shall be appointed under section 5(a)(3)**

- 1 **of this chapter to a one (1) year term.**
- 2 **(2) Two (2) physician members shall be appointed under**
- 3 **section 5(a)(1) of this chapter to two (2) year terms.**
- 4 **(3) Three (3) other members shall be appointed under section**
- 5 **5(a)(1) of this chapter to three (3) year terms.**
- 6 **(4) One (1) member shall be appointed under section 5(a)(2)**
- 7 **of this chapter to a three (3) year term.**
- 8 **(5) Two (2) members shall be appointed under section 5(a)(4)**
- 9 **of this chapter to four (4) year terms.**
- 10 **(c) All subsequent appointments of members shall be for four**
- 11 **(4) year terms. Each member serves until a successor is appointed**
- 12 **and qualified."**
- 13 Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.
 (Reference is to HB 1161 as printed January 13, 2026.)