

Sec. 5505.04. The general administration and management of the state highway patrol retirement system and the making effective of Chapter 5505. of the Revised Code, are hereby vested in the state highway patrol retirement board.

The board shall consist of the superintendent of insurance, auditor of state, superintendent of the state highway patrol, and three members known as employee-members, who shall be elected by ballot by contributing members of the retirement system in a manner approved by the board.

The superintendent of the patrol shall be chairman of the board. The board shall select a vice-chairman annually by resolution who shall act as chairman in the absence of the superintendent. A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum and any action taken shall be approved by four or more of the members. The board shall meet not less than once each year, upon sufficient notice to the members. All meetings of the board shall be open to the public except executive sessions as set forth in division

(G) of section 121.22 of the Revised Code, and any portions of any sessions discussing medical records or the degree of disability of a member excluded from public inspection by this section.

The attorney general shall prescribe procedures for the adoption of rules authorized under this chapter, consistent with the provision of section 111.15 of the Revised Code under which all rules shall be filed in order to be effective. Such procedures shall establish methods by which notice of proposed rules are given to interested parties and rules adopted by the board published and otherwise made available.

All rules adopted pursuant to this chapter, prior to August 20, 1976, shall be published and made available to interested parties by January 1, 1977.

Employee-members of the board shall be elected for terms of three years by a general election of contributing members. One of the two employee-members elected to the board in August of 1966 shall be elected for a term of two years and one shall be elected for a term of three years, and thereafter, all employee-members shall be elected for a term of three years. Any vacancy occurring in the term of any employee-member of the board shall be filled by general election. The employee-member elected shall fill the unexpired term.

The records of the board shall be open to public inspection, except for the following which shall be excluded: the member's personal history record, and any information identifying, by name and address, the amount of a monthly allowance or benefit paid to a retirant, beneficiary, or survivor, except with the written authorization of the individual concerned. All medical reports and recommendations are privileged except that copies of such medical reports or recommendations shall be made available to the member's personal physician, or attorney upon written release received from the member or his agent, or necessary for the proper administration of the fund to the board assigned physician. THE BOARD SHALL FURNISH THE DIRECTOR OF THE OHIO STUDENT LOAN COMMISSION WITH THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER DIVISION (A) OF SECTION 3351.071 OF THE REVISED CODE.

SECTION 5. This act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety. The reason for such necessity lies in the need to expand the improved opportunities for education made possible by guaranteeing student loans, and to ensure the repayment of such loans by individuals benefiting from the guarantees. Therefore, this act shall go into immediate effect.

Effective
June 7, 1979
Emergency.