

Nursery Advisory Board Extracts from the California Food and Agricultural Code

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- **6990.** (a) There is in the department a Nursery Advisory Board.
- (b) The advisory board shall be advisory to the secretary and may make recommendations on all matters pertaining to the portions of this code relating to nurseries and nursery stock, including, but not limited to, the provisions of law identified in Section 6781.
- (c) The advisory board may adopt and amend bylaws as it deems necessary to administer this chapter.
- **6991.** (a) The Nursery Advisory Board shall consist of 12 voting members, appointed by the secretary, representing persons licensed to sell nursery stock pursuant to Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 6701).
- (b) The advisory board or secretary, or both, may appoint ex officio nonvoting members who do not have a financial interest in the nursery industry.
- **6992.** (a) (1) The term of office for each member of the Nursery Advisory Board shall be four years.
 - (2) In the event of a vacancy, the secretary shall appoint a replacement member, who shall fulfill the vacancy for the unexpired term.
- (b) No more than approximately one-half of the terms for individual seats on the advisory board shall expire in a given year.
- **6993.** (a) The Nursery Advisory Board shall annually elect a chairperson from its membership.
- (b) The advisory board may, from time to time as it deems appropriate, elect other officers.
- **6994.** Members of the Nursery Advisory Board shall not receive a salary but may receive a per diem in accordance with the Department of Human Resources rules for attendance at meetings and other advisory board activities authorized by the advisory board and approved by the secretary.
- **6995.** It is hereby declared, as a matter of legislative determination, that voting members appointed to the Nursery Advisory Board pursuant to this chapter are intended to represent and further the interest of a particular agricultural industry concerned, and that the representation and furtherance of that representation is intended to serve the public interest. Accordingly, the Legislature finds that, with respect to persons who are appointed to the advisory board, the particular agricultural industry concerned is tantamount to, and constitutes, the public generally within the meaning of Section 87103 of the Government Code.

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