

ORDINANCE NO. _____

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8.70 TO CHANGE THE LENGTH OF THE TERM OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES COMMISSION MEMBERS AND TO INSTITUTE TERM LIMITS

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The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California does ordains as follows:

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SECTION I: That ~~Chapter Section 8.70.020~~ of the County Code be ~~amended-repealed and replaced~~ as follows:

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8.70.020 - Number of members—How selected—Qualifications—Compensation and expenses.

The commission shall consist of nine members appointed by the board of supervisors. The persons appointed by the board of supervisors shall meet the following requirements:

(a) **Group 1 (Member of the Board of Supervisors)** - One member of the commission shall be a member of the board of supervisors.

(b) **Group 2 (County Designated Representatives)** - Three members of the commission shall be appointed from the class of persons that consists of the following individuals:

- (1) The county health officer;
- (2) Managers of county children's services programs;
- (3) Managers of county public health services;
- (4) Managers of county behavioral health services
- (5) Managers of county social services; and
- (6) Managers of county tobacco and other substance abuse prevention and treatment services; and
- (7) Representatives of local school districts.

(c) **Group 3 ("At-Large" Members)** - Five members of the commission shall be appointed from the class of persons that consists of the following individuals:

- (1) Persons described above in subsection (b);
- (2) Representatives of local childcare resource or referral agencies;
- (3) Representatives of local medical, pediatric, or obstetric associations or societies.
- (4) Recipients of project services included in the county strategic plan;
- (5) Educators specializing in early childhood development;
- (6) Representatives of local childcare coordinating groups;

- (7) Representatives of local organizations for prevention of early intervention for families at risk; and
- (8) Representatives of community-based organizations that have the goal of promoting nurturing and early childhood development;

Members shall serve without compensation and shall be reimbursed the actual amounts of their reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in attending meetings and in performing the duties of their offices, in accordance with the provisions of the county's travel policy.

SECTION II: That Section 8.70.030 of the County Code be amended as follows:

8.70.030 – Members’ Terms and Vacancies.

A. Each commission member shall hold office at the will and pleasure of the board of supervisors for a term of ~~four~~ three years with the following exceptions:

(1) If no successor has been appointed at the expiration of the term, the commissioner shall serve until the appointment and qualification of the member's successor;

(2) If any commissioner has three consecutive unexcused absences from regularly scheduled meetings, the board of supervisors shall appoint a new commissioner to serve the unexpired term;

~~(3) Of the initial appointees, four shall be appointed for a two-year term and three shall be appointed for a four-year term;~~

(3) Any vacancies shall be filled by the board of supervisors for the unexpired term.

(4) The Commission acknowledges and understands that the Member appointed from Group 1 is appointed annually in January by the County Board of Supervisors as part of its committee assignments.

B. The following paragraph shall only apply to members of the commission appointed from Group 3, referenced above. (See Section 8.70.020(d)). No commissioner member in Group 3 may serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. At the end of a commission member's second term, they shall be ineligible to hold office on the commission for a period of two (2) years. The commission shall implement policies and procedures to determine a commission member's eligibility to serve a second term.

C. Of the appointees from Group 3 beginning their term in July of 2023, one (1) shall be appointed for a 1-year term and shall be limited to only one (1) term, three (3) shall be appointed for a 3-year term, and one (1) shall be appointed for a 4-year term.

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SECTION III: Except as set forth in this ordinance, all of the provisions of Chapter 8.70 shall remain unchanged.

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SECTION IV: That the adoption of this Ordinance is not a "project" subject to the California Environmental Quality Act as defined in title 14, California Code of Regulations, Section 15378.

SECTION IV: In any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the constitutionality of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION V: This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days after its passage and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after passage of this ordinance. The Clerk shall publish the previously prepared summary of the ordinance along with the names of the Board of Supervisors members voting for an against the ordinance and post the full text of the ordinance along with the names of the Board of Supervisors members voting for or against the ordinance in the Administrative Office.

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Introduced at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on ___ day of February 2023 and passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, on the ___ day of February, 2023, by the following roll call vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Bruce Gibson John Peschong
Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors
County of San Luis Obispo, State of
California

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ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:
RITA NEAL
County Counsel

By: _____
[Deputy County Counsel](#)

Dated: _____