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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE BILL NO. 301

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 13 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
COORDINATING COUNCIL.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 2102, Title 13 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strikethrough and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 2102. Composition.

4 The Council shall consist of the following members:

5 (1) The Chief Judge of the Family Court;

6 (2) Two members of the House of Representatives (1 from each caucus) appointed by the Speaker of the
7 House of Representatives.

8 (3) Two members of the Senate (1 from each caucus) appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

9 (4) The Attorney General;

10 (5) The Chief Defender;

11 (6) The Secretary of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security;

12 (7) A representative of the law-enforcement community appointed by the Secretary of the Department of
13 Safety and Homeland Security;

14 (8) An at-large member representing victims of domestic violence elected by the Council ~~at the first meeting~~
15 ~~of each calendar year~~ for a 3-year term and shall be eligible for reappointment;

16 (9) A representative of the health care community designated by the Board of Medical Licensure and
17 Discipline;

18 (10) The President Judge of the Superior Court;

19 (11) The Commissioner of the Department of Correction;

20 (12) The Secretary of the Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families;

21 (13) Four at-large members elected by the Council ~~at the first meeting of each calendar year~~ for a 3-year term
22 and shall be eligible for reappointment;

23 (14) An at-large member representing victims of sexual assault elected by the Council ~~at the first meeting of~~
24 ~~each calendar year~~ for a 3-year term and shall be eligible for reappointment; and

25 (15) A judicial officer from the Court of Common Pleas to be appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of
26 Common Pleas.

27 Section 2. This Act shall be effective for at-large member appointments made after the expiration of the current at-
28 large members' terms.

SYNOPSIS

This Act allows the various at-large members of the Domestic Violence Coordinating Council to be appointed for 3-year terms and be eligible for reappointment. This change is requested by the Council.