161.3 Agrichemical remediation board.

1. An agrichemical remediation board is established within the department consisting of seven voting members.

2. The members shall include all of the following:

a. Two public officials who shall include the following:

(1) The secretary of agriculture or the secretary's designee.

(2) The director of the department of natural resources, or the director's designee.

b. Five members appointed by the secretary of agriculture. The members shall include all of the following:

(1) One member who is actively engaged in selling agricultural products on a retail basis, or who represents an association of members actively engaged in selling such products.

(2) One member who is actively engaged in producing agricultural crops.

(3) One member who is actively engaged in the distribution of agrichemicals or who is a representative of an association of members actively engaged in the distribution of agrichemicals.

(4) One person who is actively engaged in the manufacture or distribution of fertilizers or who is a representative of an association of members actively engaged in the manufacture or distribution of fertilizers.

(5) One person who is a pesticide registrant actively engaged in the manufacture and distribution of pesticides as provided in section 206.12 or who represents an association of members licensed as pesticide registrants.

3. The appointed members shall serve terms of three years beginning and ending as provided in section 69.19. However, the secretary shall appoint initial members to serve for less than three years to ensure members serve staggered terms. Appointments to the board shall be based upon the training, experience and capacity of the appointees, and not upon political considerations, other than as provided in sections 69.16 and 69.16A.

a. A vacancy on the board shall be filled in the same manner as an original appointment. A person appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired portion of the term. An appointed member is eligible for reappointment.

b. An appointed member may be removed from office by the secretary for misfeasance, malfeasance, willful neglect of duty, or other just cause, after notice and hearing, unless the notice and hearing is expressly waived in writing.

c. The appointed members shall receive a per diem as specified in section 7E.6 for each day spent in performance of duties as members, and shall be reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of duties as members.

4. The board shall elect a chairperson each year. The board shall meet on a regular basis and at the call of the chairperson or upon the written request to the chairperson of two or more members.

5. The department shall staff the board.

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