



**ARIZONA STATE SENATE**  
*Fifty-Sixth Legislature, First Regular Session*

**AMENDED**  
FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1075

optometry board; continuation  
(NOW: health boards; AHCCCS; continuation..)

Purpose

Continues the Arizona State Board of Optometry, the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners (BODEX), the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy, the Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS).

Background

The Arizona State Board of Optometry is the regulatory body that oversees the licensing and practice of optometry in Arizona and consists of seven members appointed by the Governor. The Arizona State Board of Optometry terminates on July 1, 2023, unless continued by the Legislature (A.R.S. §§ [32-1702](#); [32-1704](#); and [41-3023.08](#)).

BODEX is the regulatory body that oversees the licensing and practice of dental care in Arizona, consisting of 11 members appointed by the Governor. BODEX terminates on July 1, 2023, unless continued by the Legislature (A.R.S. §§ [32-1203](#); [32-1207](#); and [41-3023.07](#)).

The Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy is the regulatory body that oversees the licensing and practice of massage therapy in Arizona and consists of five members appointed by the Governor. The Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy terminates on July 1, 2023, unless continued by the Legislature (A.R.S. §§ [32-4202](#); [32-4203](#); and [41-3023.10](#)).

The Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board is the regulatory body that oversees the licensing and practice of naturopathic medicine in Arizona, consisting of seven members appointed by the Governor. The Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board terminates on July 1, 2023, unless continued by the Legislature (A.R.S. §§ [32-1502](#); [32-1504](#); and [41-3023.05](#)).

AHCCCS serves as Arizona's Medicaid agency which offers qualifying Arizona residents' access to healthcare programs ([AHCCCS](#)). AHCCCS is led by a Governor-appointed Director and terminates on July 1, 2023, unless continued by the Legislature (A.R.S. §§ [36-2903](#); [36-2903.01](#); and [41-3023.01](#)).

The Joint Senate and House of Representatives Health and Human Services Committee of Reference (COR) held a public meeting on January 12, 2023, to review and evaluate the applicable boards' response to the sunset review factors and receive public testimony. The COR recommended that the Arizona State Board of Optometry be continued for six years ([COR Report](#)), BODEX be continued for two years ([COR Report](#)), the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy be continued for two years ([COR Report](#)), the Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board be continued for six years ([COR Report](#)) and that AHCCCS be continued for six years ([COR Report](#)).

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

*Arizona State Board of Optometry*

1. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, the Arizona State Board of Optometry until July 1, 2029.
2. Repeals the Arizona State Board of Optometry on January 1, 2030.

***BODEX***

1. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, BODEX until July 1, 2025.
2. Repeals BODEX on January 1, 2026.

*Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy*

3. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy until July 1, 2025.
4. Repeals the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy on January 1, 2026.

*Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board*

5. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, the Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board until July 1, 2029.
6. Repeals the Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board on January 1, 2030.

***AHCCCS***

7. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, AHCCCS until July 1, 2029.
8. Repeals AHCCCS on January 1, 2030.

***Miscellaneous***

9. Contains purpose statements.
10. Becomes effective on the general effective date, with retroactive provisions as noted.

Amendments Adopted by Additional Committee of the Whole

1. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, the Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board and AHCCCS until July 1, 2029.
2. Repeals the Naturopathic Physicians Medical Board and AHCCCS on January 1, 2030.

3. Continues, retroactive to July 1, 2023, BODEX and the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy until July 1, 2025.
4. Repeals BODEX and the Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy on January 1, 2026.

Senate Action

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