

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1489

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to cosmetology and barbering; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 199.2, which relates to the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering; extending sunset; transferring all duties and responsibilities of the Board to the State Department of Health on certain date; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 199.2, is amended to read as follows:

Section 199.2. A. 1. There is hereby re-created, to continue until July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Sunset Law, a State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering which shall be composed of eleven (11) members to be appointed by the Governor and to serve at the pleasure of the Governor. On July 1, 2025, the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering and all duties and responsibilities associated with the Oklahoma Cosmetology and Barbering Act shall be transferred to the State Department of Health.

1           2. One member shall be appointed from each congressional  
2 district and the additional members shall be appointed at-large.  
3 However, when congressional districts are redrawn, each member  
4 appointed prior to July 1 of the year in which such modification  
5 becomes effective shall complete the current term of office and  
6 appointments made after July 1 of the year in which such  
7 modification becomes effective shall be based on the redrawn  
8 districts. Appointments made after July 1 of the year in which such  
9 modification becomes effective shall be from any redrawn districts  
10 which are not represented by a board member until such time as each  
11 of the modified congressional districts are represented by a board  
12 member. One member shall be a barber appointed at-large.

13           3. At the time of appointment, the members shall be citizens of  
14 this state, at least twenty-five (25) years of age, and shall be  
15 high school graduates. Six members shall, at the time of  
16 appointment, have had at least five (5) years' continuous practical  
17 experience in the practice of cosmetology in this state; one member  
18 shall be appointed at large and, at the time of the appointment,  
19 have had at least five (5) years' continuous practical experience in  
20 the practice of barbering in this state; one member shall be a lay  
21 person; one member shall be an administrator of a licensed private  
22 cosmetology school; one member shall be an administrator of a  
23 licensed barber school; and one member shall be an administrator of  
24 a public school licensed to teach cosmetology or barbering.

1 4. No two members shall be graduates of the same cosmetology  
2 school, nor shall they be organizers of or promote the organization  
3 of any cosmetic, beauty, or hairdressers' association. Each of the  
4 eight cosmetology appointees shall continue to be actively engaged  
5 in the profession of cosmetology while serving. No two members  
6 engaged in the profession of barbering shall be organizers of or  
7 promote the organization of any barbering association. Each of the  
8 two barbering appointees shall continue to be actively engaged in  
9 the profession of barbering while serving.

10 5. If any member retires or ceases to practice his or her  
11 profession during the term of membership on the Board, such terms  
12 shall automatically cease and the Governor shall appoint a like-  
13 qualified person to fulfill the remainder of the term.

14 B. The terms of office for Board members shall be four (4)  
15 years ending June 30.

16 C. Each member shall serve until a successor is appointed and  
17 qualified.

18 D. Six members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the  
19 transaction of business.

20 E. The Governor may remove any member of the Board at any time  
21 at the Governor's discretion. Vacancies shall be filled by  
22 appointment by the Governor for the unexpired portion of the term.

23 F. The Board shall organize by electing from its membership a  
24 chair and vice-chair, each to serve for a period of one (1) year.

1 The presiding officer shall not be entitled to vote upon any  
2 question except in the case of a tie vote.

3 Members shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary  
4 traveling expenses as provided by the State Travel Reimbursement  
5 Act.

6 G. Within thirty (30) days after the end of each fiscal year,  
7 the Board shall make a full report to the Governor of all its  
8 receipts and expenditures, and also a full statement of its work  
9 during the year, together with such recommendations as the Board  
10 deems expedient.

11 H. The Board may expend funds for suitable office space for the  
12 transaction of its business. The Board shall adopt a common seal  
13 for the use of the executive director in authenticating Board  
14 documents.

15 I. The Board shall meet at its office for the transaction of  
16 such business as may come before it on the second Monday in January,  
17 March, May, July, September, and November and at such other times as  
18 it may deem advisable.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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