

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 SENATE BILL NO. 1725

By: Pugh of the Senate

and

Osburn of the House

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to the Occupational Licensing Review  
12 Act; amending 40 O.S. 2021, Section 800.1, which  
13 relates to the Occupational Licensing Advisory  
14 Commission; providing termination date; providing an  
15 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 40 O.S. 2021, Section 800.1, is  
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 800.1 There is hereby created the Occupational  
20 Licensing Advisory Commission.

21 The Commission shall consist of twelve (12) members to be  
22 appointed and serve as follows:

23 1. The Commissioner of Labor shall serve coterminous with his  
24 or her office;

1           2. Two members of the House of Representatives shall be  
2 appointed by the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives.  
3 Each member shall serve an initial term of three (3) years;

4           3. One member of the House of Representatives shall be  
5 appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives,  
6 who shall serve an initial term of two (2) years;

7           4. Two members of the Senate shall be appointed by the Majority  
8 Leader of the Senate. Each member shall serve an initial term of  
9 three (3) years;

10          5. One member of the Senate shall be appointed by the Minority  
11 Leader of the Senate, who shall serve an initial term of two (2)  
12 years;

13          6. The Chief Information Officer of the Office of Management  
14 and Enterprise Services shall serve coterminous with his or her  
15 position;

16          7. Three members shall be appointed by the Governor, who shall  
17 represent an occupation or profession licensed in the state, and who  
18 shall each serve an initial term of one year. One appointee shall  
19 be a member of the medical community, which may include but is not  
20 limited to a licensed physician, pharmacist or psychologist. One  
21 appointee shall be a member of a trade profession, which may include  
22 but is not limited to a licensed alarm or locksmith professional or  
23 electrician. One appointee shall be a member of the business  
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1 community, which may include but is not limited to a licensed public  
2 accountant or member of the real estate industry; and

3 8. One member shall be appointed by the Governor who shall  
4 represent a not-for-profit organization that advocates for low-  
5 income persons or disadvantaged persons and who shall serve an  
6 initial term of one year.

7 The Commission shall be subject to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act  
8 and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

9 During membership on the Commission, no appointed member shall  
10 serve on any board, agency, committee or commission that regulates  
11 or governs the occupation or profession such member is appointed to  
12 represent.

13 Members shall serve staggered three-year terms, except for the  
14 initial term of office. Upon the expiration of a member's term of  
15 office, such member may be reappointed. No member shall serve more  
16 than two consecutive full three-year terms. Any member vacancy  
17 shall be filled in the same manner by the appointing authority for  
18 the unexpired term. A member may be removed by either the  
19 appointing authority or a majority of the Commission members for  
20 failure to attend meetings or for cause.

21 The Commissioner of Labor, or his or her designee, shall chair  
22 each meeting. The Department of Labor shall provide staff and  
23 administrative support to the Commission.

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1 Seven members shall constitute a quorum for purposes of  
2 conducting the business of the Commission. Meetings shall be called  
3 by the chair and may be held by electronic media or in any location  
4 deemed appropriate by the chair.

5 The purpose of the Commission is to conduct a review of each  
6 occupational or professional licensing act in this state not less  
7 than once every four (4) years and make recommendations to the  
8 Legislature. The first meeting of the Commission shall be held  
9 before September 30, 2018, to develop a four-year schedule showing  
10 when each licensing act will be reviewed. Any new licensing act or  
11 new category of license enacted by the Legislature for regulation by  
12 an existing licensing board, agency or commission shall be added to  
13 the four-year schedule and shall be initially reviewed within ninety  
14 (90) days of enactment.

15 Annually the Commission shall hold at least one public meeting  
16 to present its findings on any occupational or professional license  
17 it has reviewed. At the public meeting, the Commission shall allow  
18 public comments, make recommendations, and may vote whether to  
19 recommend to the Legislature that such license be maintained,  
20 modified, or repealed. The results of any public meeting held for  
21 the purpose of making legislative recommendations shall be provided  
22 in a written report to the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the  
23 Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives prior to the  
24 legislative deadline set for requesting legislation for the upcoming

1 legislative session. The report shall be made available on the  
2 Department of Labor's website for public inspection.

3 9. The provisions of this section shall cease to have the force  
4 and effect of law and the Commission shall be dissolved by operation  
5 of law on December 31, 2022.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2022.

7 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
8 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
9 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
10 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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