

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL NO. 2798

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to professions and occupations;
amending 59 O.S. 1991, Section 15.5, as amended by
Section 6, Chapter 272, O.S.L. 1992 (59 O.S. Supp.
1997, Section 15.5), which relates to the Oklahoma
Accountancy Act; and clarifying language.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 1991, Section 15.5, as
amended by Section 6, Chapter 272, O.S.L. 1992 (59 O.S. Supp. 1997,
Section 15.5), is amended to read as follows:

Section 15.5 A. The Oklahoma Accountancy Board shall be
responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Oklahoma
Accountancy Act.

B. In addition to the other duties imposed on the Board by law,
the Board shall:

1. Have a seal which shall be judicially noticed and shall be
affixed to all certificates and licenses, and such other documents
as the Board deems appropriate;

2. Keep correct records of all official proceedings including
minutes of meetings, applications and related documents of
applicants, registry of the names and addresses of registrants,
official documents filed in any hearings conducted by the Board and

in any proceeding in any court arising out of any provision of the Oklahoma Accountancy Act or the rules ~~and regulations~~ adopted by the Board. Copies of said records certified by the secretary under the seal of the Board shall, if material, be admissible in evidence;

3. Employ such staff as may be necessary to implement and administer the Oklahoma Accountancy Act, to fix and pay their salaries or fees. Such staff shall include an Executive Director, Deputy Director and legal counsel. The Board shall have the authority to contract with or hire special prosecutors, investigators, expert witnesses, hearing examiners and clerical personnel in furtherance of its duties under the Oklahoma Accountancy Act;

4. Lease office space and pay the rent thereon, purchase office equipment and supplies, and make such other expenditures as are necessary for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of the Oklahoma Accountancy Act;

5. Pay the costs of such research programs in accounting and related subjects as in the determination of the Board would be beneficial to accountancy registrants; and

6. Adopt rules ~~and regulations~~ for the implementation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Accountancy Act in accordance with the procedures prescribed in the Administrative Procedures Act.

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