

3 **Senate Bill No. 1010**
4 **As Amended**

5 SENATE BILL NO. 1010 - By: PADDACK of the Senate and COX of the
6 House.

7 [**state government - Health Care Workforce Resources Act -**
8 **Health Care Workforce Resources Task Force - codification -**
9 **effective date**]

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

11 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3200.1 of Title 74, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Health Care
15 Workforce Resources Act".

16 B. There is hereby created the Health Care Workforce Resources
17 Center whose purpose shall be to coordinate, facilitate and
18 communicate statewide efforts to meet supply and demand needs for
19 Oklahoma's health care workforce. The initial focus for the Center
20 shall include health care professionals in short supply including,
21 but not limited to:

- 22 1. Nurses;
23 2. Respiratory therapists;
24 3. Pharmacists;
25 4. Imaging technologists;

1 5. Medical laboratory technologists and technicians;

2 6. Surgical and scrub technicians; and

3 7. Physical therapists.

4 C. The Center shall further focus on:

5 1. Data collection to support strategic decisions and policy
6 recommendations, to measure and evaluate efforts over time, and to
7 certify on an ongoing basis:

8 a. current health care worker supply and demand,

9 b. future supply and demand,

10 c. gap analysis;

11 2. Education and training to ensure Oklahoma's current
12 education and training systems have the resources and support
13 necessary to produce the number of health care workers needed in
14 both the short and long term;

15 3. Recruitment to increase the level of awareness among
16 Oklahoma's youth and adults of the opportunities available in health
17 care, thereby increasing the number of individuals entering health
18 careers; and

19 4. Retention to improve the job satisfaction and retention
20 rates for Oklahoma health care employees.

21 D. The Center shall be organized as a 501(c)3 organization and
22 shall be governed by a governing board appointed by the Governor
23 from lists of names submitted by following:

- 1 1. A statewide association representing hospitals;
- 2 2. A statewide association representing nurses;
- 3 3. The Regents for Higher Education;
- 4 4. The Career Technology Board;
- 5 5. The State Board of Education;
- 6 6. The Governor's Council for Workforce and Economic
- 7 Development; and
- 8 7. The College of Allied Health within the University of
- 9 Oklahoma.

10 E. Staffing shall consist of an executive director, selected by

11 the governing board, and an associate director/recruiter and

12 administrative assistant hired by the executive director. The

13 executive director shall report to the governing board and shall be

14 responsible for all activities of the Center including contracting

15 for services that include, but are not limited to, data collection

16 and analysis and Web support.

17 F. The Center may accept federal or state appropriations,

18 grants and fees from products.

19 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2005.

20 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 2-23-05 - DO

21 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.