

Measure: HB2732

Author: Representative Brian Renegar

Subject: Professions and occupations

Provisions:

Section 1: Increases fines for practicing medicine without a license in the state from range of \$1000-\$5000 to a range of \$5000-\$10,000 for first offense. Increases the penalty for a subsequent offense from a range of 30-180 days in a county jail, to 180 days to two years in a county jail.

Increases the administrative fines for practicing medicine after license revocation or suspension from \$5,000 to \$10,000 per day.

Section 2: Increases the fine from \$1000 to \$5000 for any person who practices medicine without having the legal possession of a current renewal license.

Section 3: Increases the fines and penalties by the same amount spelled out in Section 1 for:

Obtaining of, or attempting to obtain, a medical license or obtaining, or attempting to obtain, money or any other thing of value, by fraudulent representation or false pretense

Advertising as an osteopathic physician and surgeon, or practicing or attempting to practice osteopathic medicine under a false, assumed, or fictitious name, or a name other than the real name;

Allowing any person in the licensee's employment or control to practice as an osteopathic physician and surgeon when not actually licensed to do so

Section 4: Amends existing language to state that: any person having never been certified or licensed in this state as a veterinarian or veterinary technician who practices veterinary medicine contrary to the provisions of the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for not more than two (2) years, or by a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or by both fine and imprisonment.

Section 5: Increases penalties for violations of the Oklahoma Veterinary Practice Act from a range of \$50-\$500, to a range of \$500-\$2000 dollars.

Section 6: Effective date of November 1, 2008

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