

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1982

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
8 amending 59 O.S. 2001, Section 887.4, which relates
9 to the Physical Therapy Committee; updating
reference; modifying certain requirement for
membership; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 887.4, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 887.4 A. There is hereby established a Physical
16 Therapy Committee to assist the State Board of Medical Licensure and
17 Supervision in conducting examinations for applicants and to advise
18 the Board on all matters pertaining to the licensure, education, and
19 continuing education of physical therapists and physical therapist
20 assistants and the practice of physical therapy.

21 B. 1. The Physical Therapy Committee shall consist of five (5)
22 members who shall be appointed by the State Board of Medical
23 Licensure and Supervision as follows:

24 a. three members shall be licensed physical therapists,

- 1 b. one member shall be a licensed physical therapist
2 assistant, and
3 c. one member shall be a lay person.

4 2. Except for the lay appointee, each appointee shall be
5 selected from a list of three persons submitted for each vacancy by
6 the Oklahoma Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association.

7 a. Members serving on the Committee on ~~the effective date~~
8 ~~of this act~~ August 29, 1997, may continue serving
9 until expiration of their terms of office and may be
10 reappointed if eligible pursuant to the provisions of
11 ~~this act~~ the Physical Therapy Practice Act. Members
12 of the original Physical Therapy Committee shall have
13 been appointed for staggered terms of one (1), two
14 (2), and three (3) years, respectively. Terms of
15 office of each appointed member shall expire July 1 of
16 that year in which they expire regardless of the
17 calendar date when such appointments were made.
18 Subsequent appointments shall be made for a term of
19 three (3) years or until their successors are
20 appointed and qualified.

21 b. The lay member and physical therapist assistant member
22 initially appointed to fill the two new positions
23 created pursuant to ~~this act~~ the Physical Therapy
24 Practice Act shall be appointed for staggered terms of

1 office which will expire July 1, 1998, and July 1,
2 1999. Thereafter, members appointed to these
3 positions shall serve for terms of three (3) years or
4 until their successors are appointed and qualified.

5 c. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board in the same
6 manner as the original appointment.

7 3. Each member of the Committee shall be a resident of this
8 state. The physical therapist and physical therapist assistant
9 members shall be licensed pursuant to the Physical Therapy Practice
10 Act for at least ~~three (3)~~ four (4) years prior to appointment to
11 the Committee. The lay member shall not be a physical therapist or
12 a licensed health care professional or be related by adoption,
13 blood, or marriage within the third degree of consanguinity to a
14 physical therapist or a licensed health care professional.

15 4. Members of the Committee shall be reimbursed for all actual
16 and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of duties
17 required by the Physical Therapy Practice Act in accordance with the
18 provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

19 C. The Committee shall have the power and duty to:

20 1. Assist in selecting and conducting examinations for
21 licensure, and in determining which applicants successfully passed
22 such examination;
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1 2. Advise the Board on all matters pertaining to the licensure,
2 education, and continuing education requirements for, and practice
3 of physical therapy in this state;

4 3. Maintain a current list of approved schools of physical
5 therapy and physical therapist assistants; and

6 4. Assist and advise in all hearings involving physical
7 therapists or physical therapist assistants who are deemed to be in
8 violation of the Physical Therapy Practice Act.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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