

1 in this state and to implement and enforce the provisions of the
2 Oklahoma Chiropractic Practice Act.

3 B. The Board is authorized and empowered to:

4 1. Establish and maintain a procedure or system for the
5 certification or accreditation of chiropractic physicians who are
6 qualified in chiropractic post-doctorate Diplomate and all other
7 chiropractic specialties;

8 2. Establish a registration system and adopt and enforce
9 standards for the education and training of chiropractic physicians
10 who engage in the business of issuing professional opinions on the
11 condition, prognosis or treatment of a patient;

12 3. Adopt and enforce standards governing the professional
13 conduct of chiropractic physicians, consistent with the provisions
14 of the Oklahoma Chiropractic Practice Act, for the purpose of
15 establishing and maintaining a high standard of honesty, dignity,
16 integrity and proficiency in the profession;

17 4. Lease office space for the purpose of operating and
18 maintaining a state office, and pay the rent thereon; provided,
19 however, such state office shall not be located in or directly
20 adjacent to the office of any practicing chiropractic physician;

21 5. Purchase office furniture, equipment and supplies;

22 6. Employ, direct, reimburse, evaluate, and dismiss such office
23 personnel, as may be necessary, in accordance with state procedures;

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1 7. Employ legal counsel, as needed, to represent the Board in
2 all legal matters and to assist authorized state officers in
3 prosecuting or restraining violations of the Oklahoma Chiropractic
4 Practice Act, and pay the fees for such services;

5 8. Order or subpoena the attendance of witnesses, the
6 inspection of records and premises and the production of relevant
7 books and papers for the investigation of matters that may come
8 before the Board;

9 9. Employ one or more investigators, as needed, for the sole
10 purpose of investigating written complaints regarding the conduct of
11 chiropractic physicians, and fix and pay their salaries or wages;

12 10. Pay the costs of such research programs in chiropractic as
13 in the determination of the Board would be beneficial to the
14 chiropractic physicians in this state;

15 11. Establish minimum standards for continuing education
16 programs administered by chiropractic associations pursuant to
17 Section 161.11 of this title;

18 12. Make such other expenditures as may be necessary in the
19 performance of its duties;

20 13. Establish appropriate fees and charges to implement the
21 provisions of the Oklahoma Chiropractic Practice Act;

22 14. Establish policies for Board operations;
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1 15. Determine and direct Board operating administrative,
2 personnel and budget policies and procedures in accordance with
3 applicable statutes;

4 16. Provide travel expenses for at least the Executive Director
5 and provide travel expenses for members of the Board to attend an
6 annual national conference. The Board shall give each member the
7 opportunity to attend the annual national conference;

8 17. Assess chiropractic applicants the cost for a criminal
9 background check. The criminal background checks required by this
10 section shall follow the requirements of Section 1-1950.1 of Title
11 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

12 ~~18. Out-of-state licensed chiropractic physicians may travel~~
13 ~~into Oklahoma to treat patients for special events, including but~~
14 ~~not limited to sporting events and state emergencies within the~~
15 ~~borders of Oklahoma after properly registering with the Board of~~
16 ~~Chiropractic Examiners~~ Promulgate rules and set fees for a temporary
17 license. A temporary license shall allow out-of-state licensed
18 chiropractic physicians to:

19 a. assist licensed Oklahoma chiropractic physicians with
20 their practice, and

21 b. treat patients at special events, including sporting
22 events, and state emergencies as declared by the
23 Governor; and

1 19. The Board of Chiropractic Examiners, by rule, shall
2 promulgate a code of ethics.

3 C. The Board shall promulgate rules regarding continuing
4 education seminars or courses or license renewal seminars or courses
5 including, but not limited to, the qualifications of an applicant,
6 association or entity seeking to sponsor a seminar or course, where
7 the association or entity is domiciled, whether the association or
8 entity is classified as a nonprofit organization, and the
9 educational experience of instructors applying to conduct a seminar
10 or course. The Board shall also promulgate rules regarding
11 certified chiropractic assistants.

12 D. 1. The Board shall appoint an Advisory Committee of a
13 minimum of four and no more than six chiropractic physicians and one
14 lay member representing the public who may advise and assist the
15 Board in:

- 16 a. investigating the qualifications of applicants for an
- 17 original license to practice chiropractic in this state,
- 18 b. investigating written complaints regarding the conduct
- 19 of chiropractic physicians, including alleged violations
- 20 of the Oklahoma Chiropractic Practice Act or of the
- 21 rules of the Board, and
- 22 c. such other matters as the Board shall delegate to them.

1 2. The Advisory Committee shall be selected from a list of ten
2 chiropractic physicians and three lay persons submitted by each
3 chiropractic association or society in this state or any
4 unaffiliated chiropractic physician desiring to submit a list. The
5 term of service for members of the Advisory Committee shall be
6 determined by the Board. Members of the Advisory Committee shall be
7 reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the
8 performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel
9 Reimbursement Act.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

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COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND
FINANCIAL SERVICES, dated 02/23/2012 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.

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