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## AS AMENDED

SENATE BILL NO. 829

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By: Committee on General

Government

[ appointment of certain employees - terminating employment - appointment by the Governor - Senate confirmation - affected agencies - Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners - State Board of Dentistry - State Board of Pharmacy - State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision - State Board of Osteopathic Examiners - State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners - State Board of Health - Oklahoma Health Care Authority - appointment authority noncodification - effective date ]

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

A. Effective January 1, 2016, the employment of the Executive Director, Commissioner or Chief Executive Officer of the agencies, boards or commissions listed in subsection B of this section, previously hired or contracted for employment by authority of the governing boards listed herein shall be terminated. On or before, January 1, 2016, the Governor shall appoint, or may re-appoint, the Executive Director, Commissioner or Chief Executive Officer of the

- affected agencies listed herein, with confirmation by the Senate
  within ninety (90) days. The employment of the affected employees
  shall be co-terminus with the appointing Governor and at the
  pleasure of such Governor.
  - B. The affected agencies and the officials affected by the provisions of this act are as follows:
  - 1. The Executive Director appointed by the Oklahoma State Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners;
  - 2. The Executive Director appointed by the Oklahoma Board of Dentistry;
  - 3. The Executive Director appointed by the State Board of Pharmacy;
  - 4. The Executive Director appointed by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision;
  - 5. The Executive Director appointed by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners;
  - 6. The Executive Director appointed by the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners;
  - 7. The Chief Operating Officer appointed by the Board of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority;
  - 8. The Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
    Services appointed by the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
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9. The Commissioner of Health appointed by the State Board of Health; and

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- 10. The Executive Director appointed by the Office of Juvenile Affairs.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 2-7-201, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 246, O.S.L. 2012 (10A O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 2-7-201), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 2-7-201. A. The Board of Juvenile Affairs Governor,

  pursuant to the provisions of this act, shall appoint, with

  confirmation by the Senate, the Executive Director of the Office of

  Juvenile Affairs. The Executive Director shall serve at the

  pleasure of the Board Governor.
- B. The Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs shall be qualified for such position by character, ability, education, training, and successful administrative experience in the corrections or juvenile justice field; shall have earned a master's degree or other advanced degree from an accredited college or university with a major field of study in at least one of the following: Corrections, juvenile justice, juvenile delinquency, criminal justice, law, police science, criminology, psychology, sociology, administration, education, or a related social science, and three (3) years' work experience in corrections or juvenile justice, or a bachelor's degree in the degree areas specified in

- this subsection and four (4) years' progressively responsible work experience in corrections or juvenile justice.
- C. The Executive Director shall provide for the administration of the Office of Juvenile Affairs and shall:
- Be the executive officer and supervise the activities of the Office of Juvenile Affairs;
- 2. Pursuant to legislative authorization employ, discharge, appoint or contract with, and fix the duties and compensation of such assistants, attorneys, law enforcement officers, probation officers, psychologists, social workers, medical professionals, administrative, clerical and technical, investigators, aides and such other personnel, either on a full-time, part-time, fee or contractual basis, as in the judgment and discretion of the Executive Director shall be deemed necessary in the performance or carrying out of any of the purposes, objectives, responsibilities, or statutory provisions relating to the Office of Juvenile Affairs, or to assist the Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs in the performance of official duties and functions;
- 3. Establish internal policies and procedures for the proper and efficient administration of the Office of Juvenile Affairs; and
- 4. Exercise all incidental powers which are necessary and proper to implement the purposes of the Office of Juvenile Affairs pursuant to the Oklahoma Juvenile Code.

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D. The Executive Director shall employ an attorney to be designated the "General Counsel" who shall be the legal advisor for the Office of Juvenile Affairs. Except as provided in this subsection, the General Counsel is authorized to appear for and represent the Board and Office in any litigation that may arise in the discharge of the duties of the Board and Office.

It shall continue to be the duty of the Attorney General to give an official opinion to the Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs and the Office of Juvenile Affairs and to prosecute and defend actions therefor, if requested to do so. The Attorney General may levy and collect costs, expenses of litigation and a reasonable attorney fee for such legal services from the Office. The Office shall not contract for representation by private legal counsel unless approved by the Attorney General. Such contract for private legal counsel shall be in the best interests of the state. The Attorney General shall be notified by the Office of Juvenile Affairs or its counsel of all lawsuits against the Office of Juvenile Affairs or officers or employees thereof, that seek injunctive relief which would impose obligations requiring the expenditure of funds in excess of unencumbered monies in the agency's appropriations or beyond the current fiscal year. Attorney General shall review any such cases and may represent the interests of the state, if the Attorney General considers it to be in the best interest of the state to do so, in which case the

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Attorney General shall be paid as provided in this subsection.

Representation of multiple defendants in such actions may, at the discretion of the Attorney General, be divided with counsel for the Office as necessary to avoid conflicts of interest.

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- E. The Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs shall have the authority to commission certified employees within the Office of Juvenile Affairs as peace officers. The authority of employees so commissioned shall only include the authority to investigate crimes committed against the Office or crimes committed in the course of any program administered by the Office. Employees so commissioned shall also have the authority to serve and execute process, bench warrants, and other court orders in any judicial or administrative proceeding in which the agency is a party or participant. Use and possession of firearms for this purpose only shall be permitted. To become qualified as peace officers for the commission, employees shall first obtain a certificate as provided for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- F. The Executive Director of the Office of Juvenile Affairs, based upon rules established by the Board of Juvenile Affairs, shall have the authority to appoint and commission campus police for secure juvenile facilities and their adjacent grounds under the jurisdiction of the Office of Juvenile Affairs in the same manner and with the same powers as campus police appointed by governing boards of state institutions for higher education under the

provisions of Section 360.15 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- G. In the event of the Executive Director's temporary absence, the Executive Director may delegate the exercise of such powers and duties to a designee during the Executive Director's absence. In the event of a vacancy in the position of Executive Director, the Board of Juvenile Affairs shall appoint a new Executive Director.

  The Board may designate an interim or acting Executive Director who is authorized to exercise such powers and duties until a permanent Executive Director is employed by the Governor pursuant to this act.

  SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 43A O.S. 2011, Section 2-201, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 2-201. A. A Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall be appointed by the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The Commissioner may only be removed by the Board for cause Governor, with confirmation by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act. The Commissioner shall meet at least one of the following qualifications:
- 1. Possession of a Doctor of Medicine Degree and a license to practice medicine in this state;
- 2. Possession of an Osteopathic Medicine Degree and a license to practice medicine in this state;
  - 3. Possession of a Doctor of Public Health Degree;

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4. Possession of a Doctoral Degree in Psychology and a license to practice psychology in this state;

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- 5. Possession of a Master of Public Health Degree and a minimum of five (5) years of supervisory experience in the administration of health services; or
- 6. Possession of a Master of Arts or Master's Degree in Business Administration, Social Science or a related field and a minimum of five (5) years of supervisory experience in the administration of health services.
- B. The salary of the Commissioner shall be fixed by the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.
- SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 140, is amended to read as follows:
  - Section 140. The Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners may:
- 1. Employ, contract with, and direct stenographic, clerical, and secretarial help and investigators and attorneys to assist it and its officers in observing and performing under the applicable laws and to help carry out and enforce the applicable laws, with the exception of the Executive Director who shall be appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act;
- 2. Gather and present to district attorneys of this state evidence which it believes shows violations of the applicable laws, and, among other purposes authorized by law, it may use attorneys it

employs to assist district attorneys (but only with their consent) in the prosecution of such violations, and also to represent it in any court;

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- 3. Discharge any person it employs, but this provision shall not be interpreted as authorizing it to fail in any way to observe and perform its lawful contracts;
- 4. Contract for and purchase or rent books, stationery, forms, postage, equipment, other materials and supplies, and furniture and it may rent or lease office space or other quarters; however the compensation of those it employs or with whom it contracts and the consideration it owes under its contracts and its other costs, expenses and liabilities of whatever nature shall never be a charge against the State of Oklahoma, except that the Board may cause payment for all thereof to be made from the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners' Revolving Fund insofar as there are from time to time amounts in said fund for such purposes;
  - 5. Require fidelity bonds of those it employs; and
- 6. Adopt a seal and use the same by impression in addition to the signature of the Board wherever its signature is permitted or required.
- SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 328.10, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 328.10. A. The Board of Dentistry shall organize annually at the last regularly scheduled meeting of the Board before

the beginning of each fiscal year, by electing from among its members a president, a first vice-president, a second vice-president, and a secretary-treasurer. The duties of each officer shall be prescribed in the rules of the Board. The term of office of the persons elected president, vice-presidents and secretary-treasurer shall be for the following fiscal year and until their successors are elected and qualified.

- B. The Board shall hold regularly scheduled meetings during each quarter of the year at a time and place determined by the Board and may hold such special meetings, emergency meetings, or continued or reconvened meetings as found by the Board to be expedient or necessary. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- the Senate, an individual to be the principal administrative officer of the Board, pursuant to the provisions of this act, and may confer upon that person the title selected by the Board, based upon the person's education, background, experience and ability. The principal administrative officer shall be responsible for the performance of administrative functions delegated by the Board.
- D. The Board shall act in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, the Oklahoma Open Records Act and the Administrative Procedures Act.

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- E. All members of the Board and such employees, as determined by the Board, shall be bonded as required by Sections 85.26 through 85.31 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- F. The responsibilities and rights of any member or employee of the Board who acts within the scope of Board duties or employment shall be governed by the Governmental Tort Claims Act.
- G. Members of the Board shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.
- SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 353.5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 353.5. A. The State Board of Pharmacy shall annually elect a president and vice-president of the Board. The president and vice-president shall serve for a term of one (1) year and shall perform the duties prescribed by the Board. The Board shall employ an Executive Director, as appointed by the Governor, with confirmation by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act, who is a licensed pharmacist or is eligible to become a licensed pharmacist in this state. The Executive Director shall perform such duties as required by the Board serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

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- B. Each member of the Board shall receive necessary travel expenses incurred in the discharge of official duties pursuant to the State Travel Reimbursement Act.
- C. The Executive Director of the Board shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the Board. The Board shall determine and base the annual salary of the Executive Director upon data obtained from a survey of U. S. regional average annual salaries for licensed pharmacists, compiled and published each year by the National Community Pharmacist's Association.
  - D. The Executive Director shall:

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- 1. Deposit funds with the State Treasurer to be expended in the manner and for the purposes provided by law; and
- 2. Report to the Board each month, presenting an accurate account as to the funds of the Board and make available written and acknowledged claims for all disbursements made.
- SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 512, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 176, O.S.L. 2014 (59 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 512), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 512. The secretary of the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision shall be paid an annual salary in an amount fixed by the Board. The Board shall have the authority to expend such funds as are necessary in carrying out the duties of the Board and shall have the authority to hire all necessary personnel, at salaries to be fixed by the Board, as the Board shall deem

necessary, with the exception of the Executive Director who shall be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act. The Board shall have the authority to hire attorneys to represent the Board in all legal matters and to assist authorized state and county officers in prosecuting or restraining violations of Section 481 et seq. of this title, and to fix the salaries or per diem of said attorneys.

The Board shall have the authority to hire one or more investigators as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act at an annual salary to be fixed by the Board. Such investigators may be commissioned peace officers of this state. In addition such investigators shall have the authority and duty to investigate and inspect the records of all persons in order to determine whether or not a disciplinary action for unprofessional misconduct is warranted or whether the narcotic laws or the dangerous drug laws have been complied with.

The Board is specifically authorized to contract with state agencies or other bodies to perform investigative services at a rate set by the Board.

The Board is authorized to pay the travel expenses of Board employees and members in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

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The expenditures authorized herein shall not be a charge against the state, but the same shall be paid solely from the Board's depository fund.

SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 626, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 83, O.S.L. 2014 (59 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 626), is amended to read as follows:

Section 626. A. 1. The State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall, immediately after the members have qualified, elect a president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer.

- 2. The president of said Board shall preside at all meetings of the Board and perform such other duties as the Board by its rule may prescribe.
- 3. The vice-president shall perform all the duties of the president, during the president's absence or disability.
- 4. The secretary-treasurer shall keep a record of all proceedings of the Board and perform such other duties as are prescribed in the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act, or which may be prescribed by said Board. It shall be the duty of the secretary-treasurer to receive and care for all monies coming into the hands of said Board, and to pay out the same upon orders of the Board.
- B. The State Board and such employees as determined by the Board shall be bonded as required by Sections 85.26 through 85.31 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

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- C. The Governor shall appoint an Executive Director pursuant to the provisions of this act, with confirmation by the Senate.
- <u>D.</u> The State Board may expend such funds as are necessary in implementing the duties of the Board. The Board may hire:

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- 1. An executive director and all All necessary administrative, clerical and stenographic assistance as the Board shall deem necessary at a salary to be fixed by the Board;
- 2. An attorney, on a case-by-case basis, to represent the Board in legal matters and to assist authorized state and county officers in prosecuting or restraining violations of the provisions of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act. The Board shall fix the compensation of said attorney; and
- 3. One or more investigators at least one of whom shall be certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training as a peace officer, as may be necessary to implement the provisions of the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act at an annual salary to be fixed by the Board, and may authorize necessary expenses. In addition, the investigators may investigate and inspect the nonfinancial business records of all persons licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act in order to determine whether or not licensees are in compliance with the Oklahoma Osteopathic Medicine Act and the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act or any other law, rule of the State of Oklahoma or any federal law or rule affecting the practice of osteopathic medicine.

SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 698.5, is amended to read as follows:

Section 698.5. A. 1. Each member of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners shall take the constitutional oath of office.

2. The Board shall organize annually, at the last meeting of the Board before the beginning of the next fiscal year, by electing from the Board membership a president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer. Officers of the Board shall serve for terms of one (1) year or until their successors are elected. Officers shall not

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succeed themselves for more than one term. The lay member appointed to the Board shall not hold elective office.

B. 1. The president shall:

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- a. preside at Board meetings,
- b. arrange the Board agenda,
- c. sign Board orders and other required documents,
- d. appoint Board committees and their chairpersons,
- e. coordinate Board activities,
- f. represent the Board before legislative committees, and
- g. perform those other duties assigned by the Board and this section.
- 2. The vice-president shall perform the duties of president during the president's absence or disability and shall assist the president in duties as requested.
- 3. The secretary-treasurer shall be responsible for the administrative functions of the Board.
- 4. The employment of administrative, investigative, legal and clerical personnel shall be subject to the approval of the Board, except the Executive Director shall be appointed by the Governor with confirmation by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act.
- 5. At the end of each fiscal year the president and secretary-treasurer shall prepare or cause to be prepared and submit to the Governor a report on the transactions of the Board.

C. To facilitate its work effectively, fulfill its duties and exercise its powers, the Board may establish standing or ad hoc committees. The president shall appoint members and chairpersons of the committees and determine the length of terms of service. The president may appoint individuals to serve on a standing or ad hoc committee for a term not to exceed one (1) year.

SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-104, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-104. A. The State Board of Health shall elect annually from its membership a President, Vice President, and Secretary. The Board shall adopt rules for its government, and may adopt an official seal for the State Department of Health. It shall hold such meetings as it deems necessary. Each member of the Board shall be paid travel expenses, as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

- B. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:
- 1. Appoint and fix Fix the compensation of a State Commissioner of Health, who shall be appointed by the Governor, and confirmed by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act;
- 2. Adopt such rules and standards as it deems necessary to carry out any of the provisions of this Code;
- 3. Accept and disburse grants, allotments, gifts, devises, bequests, funds, appropriations, and other property made or offered to it; and

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4. Establish such divisions, sections, bureaus, offices, and positions in the State Department of Health as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this Code.

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SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 5007, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5007. A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board. On and after July 1, 1994, as the terms of the initially appointed members expire, the Board shall be composed of seven appointed members who shall serve for terms of four (4) years and shall be appointed as follows:

- 1. Two members shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;
- 2. Two members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and
- 3. Three members shall be appointed by the Governor. Two of the members appointed by the Governor shall be consumers.
- B. Members appointed pursuant to this paragraph, with the exception of the consumer members, shall include persons having experience in medical care, health care services, health care delivery, health care finance, health insurance, and managed health care. Consumer members shall have no financial or professional interest in medical care, health care services, health care delivery, health finance, health insurance or managed care. In

making the appointments, the appointing authority shall also give consideration to urban, rural, gender, and minority representation.

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- C. 1. As the terms of office of members appointed before July 1, 1995, expire, appointments made on or after July 1, 1995, shall be subject to the following requirements:
  - a. One member appointed by the Governor shall be a resident of the First Congressional District. The term of office of the member appointed by the Governor and serving as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1, 2003;
  - b. One member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall be a resident of the Second Congressional District and a consumer. The term of office of the member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and serving as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1, 1999;
  - c. One member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall be a resident of the Third Congressional District. The term of office of the member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and serving as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1, 2004;
  - d. One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be a resident of the Fourth

- e. One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be a resident of the Fifth Congressional District and a consumer. The term of office of the member appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and serving as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1, 1998;
- f. One member appointed by the Governor shall be a resident of the Sixth Congressional District and a consumer. The term of office of the member appointed by the Governor and serving as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1, 2000; and
- g. The second consumer member appointed by the Governor shall be appointed at large. The term of office of the member appointed by the Governor and serving as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1, 2002.
- 2. Appointments made subsequent to the effective date of this act shall not be restricted to any particular congressional district. Appointments made after July 1 of the year in which a

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redrawing of a congressional district becomes effective shall be from the state at large. However, no appointments may be made after July 1 of the year in which such modification becomes effective if such appointment would result in more than two members serving from the same modified district.

- D. The terms of the members serving on the Board as of the effective date of this act shall expire on September 1 of the year in which the respective terms expire. Thereafter, as new terms begin, members shall be appointed to four-year staggered terms which shall expire on September 1. Should a member serve less than a four-year term, the term of office of the member subsequently appointed shall be for the remainder of the four-year term.
- E. On and after July 1, 1994, any subsequently appointed administrator of the Authority The Chief Executive Officer or administrator of the Authority shall be appointed by the Board Governor and confirmed by the Senate, pursuant to the provisions of this act. The administrator shall have the training and experience necessary for the administration of the Authority, as determined by the Board Governor, including, but not limited to, prior experience in the administration of managed health care. The administrator shall serve at the pleasure of the Board appointing Governor.
  - F. The Board shall have the power and duty to:
- Establish the policies of the Oklahoma Health Care
   Authority;

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- 2. Appoint the Administrator of the Authority;
- 3. Adopt and promulgate rules as necessary and appropriate to carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Authority. The Board shall be the rulemaking body for the Authority; and
- $4\ \underline{3}$ . Adopt, publish and submit by January 1 of each year to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives appropriate administrative policies and the business plan for that year. All actions governed by said administrative policies and annual business plan shall be examined annually in an independent audit.
- G. 1. A vacancy in a position shall be filled in the same manner as provided in subsection A of this section.
- 2. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and for taking any official action. Official action of the Board must have a favorable vote by a majority of the members present.
- 3. Members appointed pursuant to subsection A of this section shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.
- H. The Board and the Authority shall act in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, the Oklahoma Open Records Act and the Administrative Procedures Act.

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SECTION 12. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015. COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT March 2, 2015 - DO PASS AS AMENDED 4 1 1 1 5 2 1 2 2