

1 **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3 1st Session of the 56th Legislature (2017)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
5 FOR
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1551

By: Faught

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9 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending
10 63 O.S. 2011, Section 330.53, as amended by Section
11 1, Chapter 241, O.S.L. 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016,
12 Section 330.53), which relates to licensing of long-
13 term care administrators; prohibiting Oklahoma State
14 Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators
15 from including certain requirement relating to
16 nursing facility administrators; and providing an
17 effective date.

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

19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 330.53, as
20 amended by Section 1, Chapter 241, O.S.L. 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016,
21 Section 330.53), is amended to read as follows:

22 Section 330.53 A. The Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for
23 Long-Term Care Administrators shall have authority to issue licenses
24 or certifications to qualified persons as long-term care
25 administrators, and shall establish qualification criteria for each
26 type of long-term care administrator.

1 B. No license or certification shall be issued to a person as a
2 long-term care administrator unless:

3 1. The person shall have submitted evidence satisfactory to the
4 Board that the person is:

5 a. not less than twenty-one (21) years of age, and

6 b. of reputable and responsible character; and

7 2. The person shall have submitted evidence satisfactory to the
8 Board of the person's ability to supervise the defined facility type
9 in which he or she is licensed or certified to serve as a long-term
10 care administrator.

11 C. All persons currently licensed or certified or lawfully
12 serving as an administrator in their defined facility type shall be
13 permitted to continue to serve in their current capacity under their
14 current terms of authorization. The Board may promulgate rules
15 pursuant to Section 330.57 of this title to address future
16 certification and licensure requirements for all long-term care
17 administrator types without effect on the licensure or certification
18 status of those currently certified or licensed. The Board shall
19 not include a requirement for a four-year degree in any future
20 licensing or certification requirements for assisted living,
21 residential care or adult day care administrators. The Board shall
22 not include a requirement for completion of a four-year degree for
23 licensing or certification requirements for nursing facility
24 administrators if such individuals possess ten (10) years of

1 experience as a certified assistant administrator in a long-term
2 care facility. Until such rules are promulgated, current licensure
3 and certification processes and standards shall remain in place.

4 D. The Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care
5 Administrators shall, on or before July 1, 2017, promulgate rules
6 permitting eligible applicants to sit for the state standards
7 examination at a testing facility using procedures approved by the
8 National Association of Long-Term Care Administrator Board,
9 including but not limited to the use of electronic or online methods
10 for examination.

11 E. The Oklahoma State Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care
12 Administrators shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of
13 this section.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH SERVICES AND LONG-TERM
17 CARE, dated 02/09/2017 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.
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