

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 740

By: Griffin

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the State Department of Health; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Sections 1-1905, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 2016 and 1-1908 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 1-1905), which relate to fees; increasing certain fees; clarifying application of certain fee; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-1905, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 288, O.S.L. 2016 (63 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 1-1905), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-1905. A. An application for a license, or renewal thereof, to operate a facility shall be accompanied by a fee of ~~Ten Dollars (\$10.00)~~ Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each bed per year included in the maximum bed capacity at such facility, except that any facility operated by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs shall be exempt from the fee. All licenses shall be on a form prescribed by the State Commissioner of Health, which shall include,

1 but not be limited to, the maximum bed capacity for which it is  
2 granted and the date the license was issued. The license shall:

- 3 1. Not be transferable or assignable;
- 4 2. Be posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises;
- 5 3. Be issued only for the premises named in the application;

6 and

7 4. Expire three (3) years from the date of issuance, provided  
8 an initial license shall expire one hundred eighty (180) days after  
9 the date of issuance. Licenses may be issued for a period of more  
10 than twelve (12) months, but not more than thirty-six (36) months,  
11 for the license period immediately following the effective date of  
12 this provision in order to permit an equitable distribution of  
13 license expiration dates.

14 B. The fee for a license amendment to reflect an increase in  
15 bed capacity shall be prorated based on the number of days remaining  
16 in the licensure period and the change in the number of beds, except  
17 that any facility operated by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans  
18 Affairs shall be exempt from the fee.

19 C. The issuance or renewal of a license after notice of a  
20 violation has been sent shall not constitute a waiver by the State  
21 Department of Health of its power to rely on the violation as the  
22 basis for subsequent license revocation or other enforcement action  
23 under this act arising out of the notice of violation.

1 D. 1. When transfer of ownership or operation of a facility is  
2 proposed, the transferee shall notify the Department of the transfer  
3 and apply for a new license at least thirty (30) days prior to final  
4 transfer.

5 2. The transferor shall remain responsible for the operation of  
6 the facility until such time as a license is issued to the  
7 transferee.

8 3. The license granted to the transferee shall be subject to  
9 the plan of correction submitted by the previous owner and approved  
10 by the Department and any conditions contained in a conditional  
11 license issued to the previous owner. If there are outstanding  
12 violations and no approved plan of correction has been implemented,  
13 the Department may issue a conditional license and plan of  
14 correction as provided in this act.

15 4. The transferor shall remain liable for all penalties  
16 assessed against the facility which are imposed for violations  
17 occurring prior to transfer of ownership.

18 E. Nursing and specialized facilities, as defined and licensed  
19 pursuant to the Nursing Home Care Act shall be surveyed through an  
20 unannounced inspection at least once every fifteen (15) months, with  
21 a statewide average survey cycle of twelve (12) months.

22 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 1-1908, is  
23 amended to read as follows:  
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1       Section 1-1908. A. No facility shall be licensed to operate or  
2 continue to operate unless, in addition to compliance with other  
3 current licensure requirements, the building is of one-hour fire  
4 resistant construction and approved by the Department and the State  
5 Fire Marshal. If the building is not of one-hour fire resistant  
6 construction in addition to the other current licensure  
7 requirements, the facility must be approved by the State Department  
8 of Health and the State Fire Marshal. In addition, the facility  
9 must have an approved automatic sprinkler system, as rated and  
10 approved by the National Fire Protection Association Standards.

11       B. Each facility that proposes an increase in beds, whether  
12 through new construction or modification, shall submit construction  
13 plans to the Department for review prior to the start of  
14 construction. The Department may assess a fee for such review in an  
15 amount not more than ~~two one-hundredths percent (0.02%) or One~~  
16 ~~Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), whichever is the least amount, fifteen~~  
17 one-hundredths of one percent (0.15%) per project of the total  
18 construction cost of the facility or modification. The maximum fee  
19 for plan review for a ten-bed or ten percent (10%) expansion project  
20 authorized under subsection C of Section 1-852 of this title shall  
21 be One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). The State Board of Health  
22 shall promulgate rules for submission and resubmission of  
23 construction plans to ensure the timely review of such plans by the  
24 Department.

1 C. The Department of Human Services and the Oklahoma Health  
2 Care Authority shall not make a vendor payment to any individual or  
3 facility on behalf of any person for medical care rendered in the  
4 form of nursing service outside such person's home, unless such  
5 individual or facility holds a current nursing facility, continuum  
6 of care facility, assisted living, or adult day care license issued  
7 by the Commissioner or other state agency authorized to issue such  
8 license.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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