OKLAHOMA STATE SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

May 10, 2021

Mr. President:

Mr. Speaker:

The Conference Committee, to which was referred

SB207

By: Garvin of the Senate and McEntire of the House

Title: Oklahoma Health Care Authority; authorizing the Administrator of the Authority to designate an administrative law judge to perform certain duties. Effective date.

together with Engrossed House Amendments thereto, beg leave to report that we have had the same under consideration and herewith return the same with the following recommendations:

- That the House recede from all Amendments.
- By restoring the Enacting Clause.
- 3. By restoring the title as follows:

"An Act relating to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section 5052, which relates to hearings; authorizing the Administrator of the Authority to designate an administrative law judge to perform certain duties; and providing an effective date."

Respectfully submitted,

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	AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 1, Lines 6 through 8 1/2, strike the title to read:								
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L 9	AMENDMENT NO. 2. Page 1, Line 11, strike the enacting clause								
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1 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 207 By: Garvin of the Senate 2 and 3 McEntire of the House 4 5 6 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section 5052, which relates to hearings; authorizing the Administrator of 7 the Authority to designate an administrative law judge to perform certain duties; and providing an 8 effective date. 9 10 11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 5052, is 13 amended to read as follows: Section 5052. A. Any applicant or recipient, adversely 14 15 affected by a decision of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority on benefits or services provided pursuant to the provisions of this 16 title, shall be afforded an opportunity for a hearing pursuant to 17 the provisions of subsection B of this section after such applicant 18 or recipient has been notified of the adverse decision of the 19 Authority. 20 Upon timely receipt of a request for a hearing as 21 specified in the notice of adverse decision and exhaustion of other 22 available administrative remedies, the Authority shall hold a 23

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- hearing pursuant to the provisions of rules promulgated by the

 Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board pursuant to this section.
 - 2. The record of the hearing shall include, but shall not be limited to:
 - a. all pleadings, motions, and intermediate rulings,
 - b. evidence received or considered,
 - c. any decision, opinion, or report by the officer presiding at the hearing, and
 - d. all staff memoranda or data submitted to the hearing officer or members of the agency in connection with their consideration of the case.
 - 3. Oral proceedings shall be electronically recorded by the Authority. Any party may request a copy of the tape recording of such person's administrative hearing or may request a transcription of the tape recording to comply with any federal or state law.
 - C. Any decision of the Authority after such a hearing pursuant to subsection B of this section shall be subject to review by the Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority or designated administrative law judge upon a timely request for review by the applicant or recipient. The Administrator may only designate an administrative law judge at another state agency, as established in the State Medicaid Plan and approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The Administrator or designated administrative law judge shall issue a decision after review. A hearing decision

of the Authority shall be final and binding unless a review is requested pursuant to the provisions of this subsection. The decision of the Administrator or designated administrative law judge may be appealed to the district court in which the applicant or recipient resides within thirty (30) days of the date of the decision of the Administrator or designated administrative law judge as provided by the provisions of subsection D of this section.

D. Any applicant or recipient under this title who is aggrieved by a decision of the Administrator or designated administrative law judge rendered pursuant to this section may petition the district court in which the applicant or recipient resides for a judicial review of the decision pursuant to the provisions of Sections 318 through 323 of Title 75 of the Oklahoma Statutes. A copy of the petition shall be served by mail upon the general counsel of the Authority.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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