

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature (2022)

SENATE BILL 1158

By: Garvin

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Oklahoma Health Care Authority; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 5007, which relates to Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board; increasing membership of Board; stipulating qualifications of certain members; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 5007, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5007. A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board which shall consist of the following ~~nine (9)~~ eleven (11) members:

1. Five members appointed by the Governor;
2. ~~Two~~ Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be a doctor of osteopathy selected from a list of names provided by a statewide association of doctors of osteopathy; and
3. ~~Two~~ Three members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, one of whom shall be a medical doctor selected from a

1 list of names provided by a statewide association of medical  
2 doctors.

3 B. Each member shall serve at the pleasure of his or her  
4 appointing authority and may be removed or replaced without cause.  
5 Any member of the Board shall be prohibited from voting on any issue  
6 in which the member has a direct financial interest. The  
7 Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall be an ex  
8 officio member of the Board, but shall be entitled to vote only in  
9 case of a tie vote.

10 C. The Board shall have the power and duty to:

11 1. Establish the policies of the Oklahoma Health Care  
12 Authority;

13 2. Adopt and promulgate rules as necessary and appropriate to  
14 carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Authority. The  
15 Board shall be the rulemaking body for the Authority; and

16 3. Adopt, publish and submit by January 1 of each year to the  
17 Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker  
18 of the House of Representatives appropriate administrative policies  
19 and the business plan for that year. All actions governed by the  
20 administrative policies and annual business plan shall be examined  
21 annually in an independent audit.

22 D. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a  
23 quorum for the transaction of business and for taking any official  
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1 action. Official action of the Board must have a favorable vote by  
2 a majority of the members present.

3 E. Members appointed pursuant to subsection A of this section  
4 shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for  
5 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance  
6 with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

7 F. The Board and the Authority shall act in accordance with the  
8 provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, the Oklahoma Open  
9 Records Act and the Administrative Procedures Act.

10 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
11 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
12 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
13 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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