

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1234

By: Bergstrom of the Senate

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4 Kendrix of the House

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6 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
7 amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 2053, which relates to
8 the State Board of Examiners of Perfusionists;
9 extending sunset date; providing an effective date;
10 and declaring an emergency.

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 2053, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 2053. A. There is hereby re-created until ~~July 1, 2024~~
15 July 1, 2027, in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma
16 Sunset Law, the State Board of Examiners of Perfusionists. The
17 Board shall administer the provisions of the Oklahoma Licensed
18 Perfusionists Act. The Board shall consist of nine (9) members,
19 appointed by the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision.

20 B. The initial appointments for each member shall be for
21 progressive terms of one (1) through three (3) years so that only
22 one term expires each calendar year; subsequent appointments shall
23 be for five-year terms. Members of the Board shall serve at the
24 pleasure of and may be removed from office by the appointing

1 authority. No member shall serve more than three consecutive terms.
2 Members shall continue to serve until their successors are
3 appointed. Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the
4 original appointments. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

5 C. The Board shall be composed as follows:

6 1. Three members shall be members of the general public;

7 2. Four members shall be licensed perfusionists appointed from
8 a list of not less than ten licensed perfusionists submitted by a
9 statewide organization representing licensed perfusionists; and

10 3. Two members shall be physicians licensed pursuant to the
11 Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and Surgical Licensure and Supervision
12 Act and who are also board certified in cardiovascular surgery.

13 D. The licensed perfusionist members shall have been engaged in
14 rendering perfusion services to the public, teaching perfusion care,
15 or research in perfusion care, for at least five (5) years
16 immediately preceding their appointments. These members shall at
17 all times be holders of valid licenses for the practice of perfusion
18 in this state, except for the members first appointed to the Board.
19 These initial members shall, at the time of appointment, be
20 credentialed as a Certified Clinical Perfusionist (CCP) conferred by
21 the American Board of Cardiovascular Perfusion (ABCP) or its
22 successor organization, and all shall fulfill the requirements for
23 licensure pursuant to the Oklahoma Licensed Perfusionists Act. All
24 members of the Board shall be residents of this state.

1 E. Upon expiration or vacancy of the term of a member, the
2 respective nominating authority may, as appropriate, submit to the
3 appointing authority a list of not less than three persons qualified
4 to serve on the Board to fill the expired term of their respective
5 member. Appointments may be made from these lists by the appointing
6 authority and additional lists may be provided by the respective
7 organizations if requested by the appointing authority.

8 F. It shall be a ground for removal from the Board if a member:

9 1. Does not have at the time of appointment the qualifications
10 required for appointment to the Board;

11 2. Does not maintain during service on the Board the
12 qualifications required for appointment to the Board;

13 3. Violates a prohibition established pursuant to the Oklahoma
14 Licensed Perfusionists Act;

15 4. Cannot discharge the member's term for a substantial part of
16 the term for which the member is appointed because of illness or
17 disability; or

18 5. Is absent from more than half of the regularly scheduled
19 board meetings that the member is eligible to attend during a
20 calendar year unless the absence is excused by a majority vote of
21 the Board.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.

23 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

3 Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2024.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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7 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
8 2024.

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