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April 21, 2025

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1658

By: Roberts of the House

and

Daniels of the Senate

An Act relating to professions and occupations; amending Section 3, Chapter 291, O.S.L. 2024 (59 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 538.3), which relates to laser hair removal practitioners; authorizing certain professionals to perform laser hair removal; requiring oversight of laser hair removal facilities by certain professionals; requiring the establishment of patient relationships; providing for the creation of patient charts; deleting evaluation or referral exception; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 291, O.S.L.
2024 (59 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 538.3), is amended to read as
follows:

Section 538.3. A. A laser practitioner shall only perform laser hair removal using lasers or pulsed light devices approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for noninvasive procedures.

B. A person shall not perform or attempt to perform laser hair removal unless the person holds the appropriate health professional

1 license or certificate as defined in Section 2 538.2 of this ~~act~~
2 title, or the person is a laser practitioner performing laser hair
3 removal under the supervision of a physician as defined in
4 paragraphs 1 through 6 of subsection A of Section 725.2 of this
5 title, a certified physician assistant, or a certified Advanced
6 Practice Registered Nurse. A laser practitioner who is not a
7 physician shall complete a laser practitioner training and education
8 program. A laser training and education program may be completed
9 internally at the laser hair removal facility or via a third party,
10 provided such third-party program is overseen by a physician. A
11 laser practitioner training and education program shall include
12 forty (40) total hours of training, which may be a combination of
13 didactic training, in-person hands-on training, and performance of
14 laser hair removal procedures.

15 C. A laser hair removal facility shall be overseen by a
16 physician; ~~provided, that Advanced Practice Registered Nurses shall~~
17 ~~be exempt from this oversight requirement, as defined in paragraphs~~
18 1 through 6 of subsection A of Section 725.2 of this title, a
19 certified physician assistant, or a certified Advanced Practice
20 Registered Nurse.

21 D. The overseeing physician shall:

22 1. Establish proper protocols for laser hair removal provided
23 at a facility including, but not limited to, complication
24 management. A laser practitioner shall follow all written procedure

1 protocols established and revised by the overseeing physician. Such
2 protocols shall require utilizing a physician, physician assistant,
3 or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse for complication management;

4 2. Determine the number of laser practitioners under such
5 physician's supervision; and

6 3. Review not less than ten percent (10%) of laser hair removal
7 patient records.

8 Every physician or physician assistant or Advanced Practice
9 Registered Nurse shall establish a relationship with patients which
10 shall include an initial evaluation, prior to treatment, that is
11 either face-to-face or via telemedicine that is performed by the
12 physician or physician assistant or Advanced Practice Registered
13 Nurse.

14 As part of the patient relationship, each physician or certified
15 physician assistant or certified Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
16 shall create a patient chart. The chart shall contain an informed
17 consent, a treatment plan that includes risks, benefits,
18 alternatives, follow-up, and care for potential complications.

19 E. A physician shall not be required to be physically present
20 or to supervise laser hair removal, but shall be available for
21 communication during the procedure, either in person or by two-way,
22 real time interactive communication.

1 F. ~~A laser practitioner may perform laser hair removal on a~~
2 ~~patient without the prior evaluation or referral of such patient by~~
3 ~~a physician.~~

4 ~~G.~~ The conduct of allopathic physicians and physician
5 assistants pursuant to this act shall be regulated by the State
6 Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision. The conduct of
7 osteopathic physicians pursuant to this act shall be regulated by
8 the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners. The conduct of Registered
9 Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Advanced Practice Registered
10 Nurses pursuant to this act shall be regulated by the Oklahoma Board
11 of Nursing.

12 ~~H.~~ G. Nothing in this act shall prohibit any person in the
13 healing arts, in this state, under any other act, from engaging in
14 the practice for which he or she is duly licensed.

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

19 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
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