

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                   1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2481

6                   By: **McCall, Lawson, Mize and**  
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8                   COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

9                   An Act relating to the Oklahoma Health Care  
10                  Authority; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Sections 5007 and  
11                  5008, which relate to the Oklahoma Health Care  
12                  Authority Act; modifying appointments to the Oklahoma  
13                  Health Care Authority Board; authorizing Governor to  
14                  appoint Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care  
15                  Authority; providing for determination of  
16                  compensation; and declaring an emergency.

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

18                  SECTION 1.       AMENDATORY       63 O.S. 2011, Section 5007, is  
19                  amended to read as follows:

20                  Section 5007. A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Health  
21                  Care Authority Board. ~~On and after July 1, 1994, as the terms of~~  
22                  ~~the initially appointed members expire, the Board shall be composed~~  
23                  ~~of seven appointed members who shall serve for terms of four (4)~~  
24                  ~~years and shall be appointed as follows:~~

1       1. Two members shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore  
2       of the Senate;

3       2. Two members shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House  
4       of Representatives; and

5       3. Three members shall be appointed by the Governor. Two of  
6       the members appointed by the Governor shall be consumers.

7       B. Members appointed pursuant to this paragraph, with the  
8       exception of the consumer members, shall include persons having  
9       experience in medical care, health care services, health care  
10      delivery, health care finance, health insurance and managed health  
11      care. Consumer members shall have no financial or professional  
12      interest in medical care, health care services, health care  
13      delivery, health finance, health insurance or managed care. In  
14      making the appointments, the appointing authority shall also give  
15      consideration to urban, rural, gender and minority representation.

16       C. 1. As the terms of office of members appointed before July  
17      1, 1995, expire, appointments made on or after July 1, 1995, shall  
18      be subject to the following requirements:

19           a. One member appointed by the Governor shall be a  
20           resident of the First Congressional District. The  
21           term of office of the member appointed by the Governor  
22           and serving as of the effective date of this act shall  
23           expire on September 1, 2003;

- 1           b. One member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of  
2           the Senate shall be a resident of the Second  
3           Congressional District and a consumer. The term of  
4           office of the member appointed by the President Pro  
5           Tempore of the Senate and serving as of the effective  
6           date of this act shall expire on September 1, 1999;
- 7           c. One member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of  
8           the Senate shall be a resident of the Third  
9           Congressional District. The term of office of the  
10          member appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the  
11          Senate and serving as of the effective date of this  
12          act shall expire on September 1, 2004;
- 13          d. One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
14          Representatives shall be a resident of the Fourth  
15          Congressional District. The term of office of the  
16          member appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
17          Representatives and serving as of the effective date  
18          of this act shall expire on September 1, 2001;
- 19          e. One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
20          Representatives shall be a resident of the Fifth  
21          Congressional District and a consumer. The term of  
22          office of the member appointed by the Speaker of the  
23          House of Representatives and serving as of the

1 effective date of this act shall expire on September  
2 1, 1998;

- 3 f. One member appointed by the Governor shall be a  
4 resident of the Sixth Congressional District and a  
5 consumer. The term of office of the member appointed  
6 by the Governor and serving as of the effective date  
7 of this act shall expire on September 1, 2000; and  
8 g. The second consumer member appointed by the Governor  
9 shall be appointed at large. The term of office of  
10 the member appointed by the Governor and serving as of  
11 the effective date of this act shall expire on  
12 September 1, 2002.

13 2. Appointments made subsequent to the effective date of this  
14 act shall not be restricted to any particular congressional  
15 district. Appointments made after July 1 of the year in which a  
16 redrawing of a congressional district becomes effective shall be  
17 from the state at large. However, no appointments may be made after  
18 July 1 of the year in which such modification becomes effective if  
19 such appointment would result in more than two members serving from  
20 the same modified district.

21 D. The terms of the members serving on the Board as of the  
22 effective date of this act shall expire on September 1 of the year  
23 in which the respective terms expire. Thereafter, as new terms  
24 begin, members shall be appointed to four-year staggered terms which

1 shall expire on September 1. Should a member serve less than a  
2 four-year term, the term of office of the member subsequently  
3 appointed shall be for the remainder of the four-year term.

4 E. On and after July 1, 1994, any subsequently appointed  
5 administrator of the Authority shall be appointed by the Board. The  
6 administrator shall have the training and experience necessary for  
7 the administration of the Authority, as determined by the Board,  
8 including, but not limited to, prior experience in the  
9 administration of managed health care. The administrator shall  
10 serve at the pleasure of the Board which shall consist of the  
11 following nine (9) members:

12 1. Five members appointed by the Governor;

13 2. Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of

14 Representatives; and

15 3. Two members appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the

16 Senate.

17 B. Each member shall serve at the pleasure of his or her

18 appointing authority and may be removed or replaced without cause.

19 Any member of the Board shall be prohibited from voting on any issue  
20 in which the member has a direct financial interest. The  
21 Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall be an ex  
22 officio member of the Board, but shall be entitled to vote only in  
23 case of a tie vote.

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

1       1. Establish the policies of the Oklahoma Health Care  
2 Authority;  
3       2. ~~Appoint the Administrator of the Authority;~~  
4       3. Adopt and promulgate rules as necessary and appropriate to  
5 carry out the duties and responsibilities of the Authority. The  
6 Board shall be the rulemaking body for the Authority; and

7       4. 3. Adopt, publish and submit by January 1 of each year to  
8 the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the  
9 Speaker of the House of Representatives appropriate administrative  
10 policies and the business plan for that year. All actions governed  
11 by said administrative policies and annual business plan shall be  
12 examined annually in an independent audit.

13       G. 1. ~~A vacancy in a position shall be filled in the same~~  
14 ~~manner as provided in subsection A of this section.~~

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

19       3. ~~Members appointed pursuant to subsection A of this section~~  
20 ~~shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for~~  
21 ~~expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance~~  
22 ~~with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.~~

1       H. E. The Board and the Authority shall act in accordance with  
2 the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, the Oklahoma Open  
3 Records Act and the Administrative Procedures Act.

4       SECTION 2.       AMENDATORY       63 O.S. 2011, Section 5008, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6       Section 5008. A. The Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care  
7 Authority shall have the training and experience necessary for the  
8 administration of the Authority,~~as determined by the Oklahoma~~  
9 ~~Health Care Authority Board, including, but not limited to, prior~~  
10 ~~experience in the administration of managed health care.~~ The  
11 Administrator shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and  
12 consent of the Senate and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board  
13 Governor and may be removed or replaced without cause. Compensation  
14 for the Administrator shall be determined by the Governor.

15       B. The Administrator of the Oklahoma Health Care Authority  
16 shall be the chief executive officer of the Authority and shall act  
17 for the Authority in all matters except as may be otherwise provided  
18 by law. The powers and duties of the Administrator shall include  
19 but not be limited to:

- 20       1. Supervision of the activities of the Authority;
- 21       2. Formulation and recommendation of rules for approval or  
22 rejection by the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Board and  
23 enforcement of rules and standards promulgated by the Board;

1       3. Preparation of the plans, reports and proposals required by  
2 the Oklahoma Health Care Authority Act, Section 5003 et seq. of this  
3 title, other reports as necessary and appropriate, and an annual  
4 budget for the review and approval of the Board;

5       4. Employment of such staff as may be necessary to perform the  
6 duties of the Authority including but not limited to an attorney to  
7 provide legal assistance to the Authority for the state Medicaid  
8 program; and

9       5. Establishment of a contract bidding process which:

10       a. encourages competition among entities contracting with  
11              the Authority for state-purchased and state-subsidized  
12              health care; provided, however, the Authority may make  
13              patient volume adjustments to any managed care plan  
14              whose prime contractor is a state-sponsored,  
15              nationally accredited medical school. The Authority  
16              may also make education or research supplemental  
17              payments to state-sponsored, nationally accredited  
18              medical schools based on the level of participation in  
19              any managed care plan by managed care plan  
20              participants,

21       b. coincides with the state budgetary process, and  
22       c. specifies conditions for awarding contracts to any  
23              insuring entity.

1       C. The Administrator may appoint advisory committees as  
2 necessary to assist the Authority with the performance of its duties  
3 or to provide the Authority with expertise in technical matters.

4       SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
5 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY, dated  
02/27/2019 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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