

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 1635

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to hotels; amending 63 O.S. 2021,
8 Section 1-1201, which relates to licenses; modifying
9 definition; updating statutory language; providing
10 gender-neutral language; and providing an effective
11 date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-1201, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1-1201. ~~(a)~~ A. It shall be unlawful for any person to
16 operate or maintain a hotel unless he or she shall have first
17 obtained, and holds, a license issued for such purpose by the State
18 Commissioner of Health. Unless otherwise provided by rule by the
19 ~~State Board of Health~~ Commissioner, each such license shall expire
20 on the 30th day of June next following its issuance, and the
21 Commissioner shall charge and collect therefor an annual fee to be
22 fixed by the ~~Board of Health~~ Commissioner. The term "hotel" as used
23 in this section shall mean and include any hotel, motel, tourist
24 court, apartment house, rooming house, or other place where sleeping

1 accommodations are furnished, or offered, for pay for transient
2 guests, if ~~four~~ seven or more rooms are available therein for
3 transient guests. This section shall apply to the operation of a
4 hotel by a state board.

5 ~~(b)~~ B. The ~~State Board of Health~~ Commissioner may adopt
6 reasonable standards, rules and regulations for hotels as to the
7 following: buildings and appurtenances thereto, including plumbing,
8 ventilation and lighting; construction, cleanliness and bactericidal
9 treatment of equipment and utensils; cleanliness and hygiene of
10 personnel; toilet facilities; disposal of wastes; water supply; and
11 any other items deemed necessary to safeguard the health, comfort
12 and safety of guests accommodated therein.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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