

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 POLICY COMMITTEE  
4 RECOMMENDATION

5 FOR

6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1585

7 By: Lay

8 POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

9 An Act relating to pharmacy technicians; providing  
10 for pharmacy technician training guidelines;  
11 providing for initial training skills; providing for  
12 on-the-job training; providing for codification; and  
13 providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 353.18B of Title 59, unless  
17 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The pharmacy manager shall be responsible for the  
19 development and implementation of a pharmacy technician training  
20 program.

21 1. The instructional text of the training program shall be kept  
22 in the pharmacy and only upon request submitted to the Oklahoma  
23 Pharmacy Board for approval.

1        2. The program shall be designed to train personnel to perform  
2 allowed nonprofessional functions, as described in Oklahoma  
3 Administrative Code 535:15-5 and 535:15-13.

4        3. Minimum standards for technician training programs shall be  
5 those set out in the Board approved "Pharmacy Technician Training  
6 Guidelines":

7            a. pharmacy technician applicants shall complete Phase I  
8 training before they may apply for an Oklahoma  
9 Pharmacy Technician permit. A pharmacy technician  
10 permit must be received before performing any of the  
11 duties of pharmacy technicians authorized in Oklahoma  
12 Administrative Code 535:15-5 and 535:15-13,

13            b. a pharmacy technician has not met Board requirements  
14 until he or she has successfully completed Phase II of  
15 pharmacy technician training,

16            c. a pharmacy technician must complete Phase II within  
17 ninety (90) days after issuance of a pharmacy  
18 technician permit,

19            d. pharmacy technician applicants shall not have fully  
20 received their permits until they have completed Phase  
21 II of pharmacy technician training, and

22            e. if the pharmacy technician fails to complete Phase II  
23 within ninety (90) days, the pharmacy manager shall  
24 notify the Board in writing:

1 (1) if the pharmacy technician fails to complete  
2 Phase II within ninety (90) days:

3 (a) the pharmacy technician permit is  
4 automatically void, and

5 (b) the pharmacy technician shall return such  
6 permit to the Board, and

7 (2) such pharmacy technician may apply for a new  
8 pharmacy technician permit when he or she has  
9 again satisfactorily completed Phase I training  
10 with an employing pharmacy, provided the  
11 provisions of these rules have not been violated  
12 by the pharmacy technician.

13 B. The pharmacy manager, or another pharmacist in the pharmacy  
14 whom the pharmacy manager may designate, shall conduct the training  
15 and attest to its successful completion.

16 C. The pharmacy manager shall assure that the pharmacy  
17 technician remains competent through annual continuing on-the-job  
18 training. The pharmacy manager must document such training in the  
19 pharmacy and provide it at inspection.

20 D. A pharmacy manager employing a currently permitted  
21 technician must document training of that technician within ten (10)  
22 days of hire at such pharmacy. Documentation of this training must  
23 be kept in the pharmacy and be available for Board inspection.

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1 E. The pharmacy manager shall be responsible for assuring proof  
2 of annual technician training is maintained in the pharmacy and such  
3 proof is available for Board inspection.

4 F. Pharmacy technician applicants who are eighteen (18) years  
5 of age or older who are enrolled in an approved youth apprenticeship  
6 program for pharmacy technicians or an approved pharmacy technician  
7 training program through the Oklahoma Department of Career and  
8 Technology Education shall complete Phase II in a pharmacy without  
9 the requirement to be a pharmacy employee.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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