

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 POLICY COMMITTEE
4 RECOMMENDATION

5 FOR

6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1658

7 By: Roberts

8 POLICY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

9 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
10 amending Section 3, Chapter 291, O.S.L. 2024 (59 O.S.
11 Supp. 2024, Section 538.3), which relates to laser
12 hair removal practitioners; modifying practitioner
13 requirements; and providing for an emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 3, Chapter 291, O.S.L.
16 2024 (59 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 538.3), is amended to read as
17 follows:

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

22 B. A person shall not perform or attempt to perform laser hair
23 removal unless the person holds the appropriate health professional
24 license or certificate as defined in Section ~~2~~ 538.2 of this ~~act~~

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

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

20 D. The overseeing physician shall:

21 1. Establish proper protocols for laser hair removal provided
22 at a facility including, but not limited to, complication
23 management. A laser practitioner shall follow all written procedure
24 protocols established and revised by the overseeing physician. Such

1 protocols shall require utilizing a physician, physician assistant,
2 or Advanced Practice Registered Nurse for complication management;

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

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

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

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

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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.

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