

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 13, 2025

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 395

6 By: Bergstrom of the Senate

7 and

8 Kendrix of the House

9 An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
10 amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1354, as amended by  
11 Section 1, Chapter 66, O.S.L. 2023 (59 O.S. Supp.  
12 2024, Section 1354), which relates to the State Board  
13 of Examiners of Psychologists; extending sunset date;  
14 updating statutory language; providing an effective  
15 date; and declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1354, as  
18 amended by Section 1, Chapter 66, O.S.L. 2023 (59 O.S. Supp. 2024,  
19 Section 1354), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 1354. There is hereby re-created, to continue until  
21 ~~July 1, 2025~~ July 1, 2028, pursuant to the provisions of the  
22 Oklahoma Sunset Law, the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists.  
23 The Board shall administer the provisions of the Psychologists  
24 Licensing Act. The Board shall consist of seven (7) members  
appointed by the Governor. Five members shall be psychologists from

1 various areas in psychology and two members shall be lay persons.  
2 At the expiration of the term of each Board member who is a  
3 psychologist, the Governor shall appoint a successor from a list of  
4 ten licensed psychologists which is provided by the Oklahoma State  
5 Psychological Association. Members shall serve for a term of four  
6 (4) years and until a successor is appointed and qualified. Before  
7 entering upon the duties of office, each member of the Board shall  
8 take the constitutional oath of office and file it with the  
9 Secretary of State.

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

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

15 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES  
16 February 13, 2025 - DO PASS AS AMENDED BY CS  
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