

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016)

3 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR ENGROSSED

5 SENATE BILL 253

By: Fields and Pittman of the
Senate

6 and

7 Cox and Ritze of the House

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11 An Act relating to the Board of Mental Health and
12 Substance Abuse Services; amending 43A O.S. 2011,
13 Section 2-103, which relates to membership;
14 increasing number of Board members; permitting
15 certain members to serve on certain Board
16 concurrently; clarifying language; and providing an
17 effective date.

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

19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 43A O.S. 2011, Section 2-103, is
20 amended to read as follows:

21 Section 2-103. A. The Board of Mental Health and Substance
22 Abuse Services shall be composed of ~~eleven (11)~~ thirteen (13)
23 members, appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of
24 the Senate. Each term is for a seven-year period and members may be

1 reappointed to subsequent terms. Board members shall meet the
2 following criteria:

3 1. One member, who shall be a physician licensed to practice in
4 this state, and one member, who shall be a psychiatrist certified as
5 a diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, shall
6 both be appointed from a list containing the names of not less than
7 three physicians and not less than three psychiatrists submitted to
8 the Governor by the Oklahoma State Medical Association;

9 2. Two members shall be osteopathic physicians licensed to
10 practice in this state, appointed from a list containing the names
11 of not less than six osteopathic physicians submitted to the
12 Governor by the Oklahoma Osteopathic Association;

13 3. One member, who shall be an attorney licensed to practice in
14 this state and shall be appointed from a list of not less than three
15 names submitted to the Governor by the Board of Governors of the
16 Oklahoma Bar Association;

17 ~~3.~~ 4. One member, who shall be a psychologist, licensed to
18 practice in this state, who shall be appointed from a list of not
19 less than three names submitted to the Governor by the Oklahoma
20 State Psychological Association;

21 ~~4.~~ 5. Three members, qualified by education and experience in
22 the area of substance abuse recovery, who shall be appointed from a
23 list of not less than ten names submitted to the Governor by a state
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1 association of substance abuse recovery programs or organizations;
2 and

3 ~~5.~~ 6. Four members who shall be citizens of this state, at
4 least one of whom shall be either a current or former consumer of
5 mental health services.

6 B. No person shall be appointed a member of the Board who has
7 been a member of the Legislature of this state within the preceding
8 five (5) years.

9 C. The Board shall elect from among its members a chair and a
10 vice-chair. The chair may call meetings at any time.

11 D. All regularly scheduled meetings of the Board shall be held
12 at the Central Office of the Department of Mental Health and
13 Substance Abuse Services, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, unless otherwise
14 scheduled. ~~Six~~ Seven members shall constitute a quorum at any
15 meeting, and all action may be taken by an affirmative vote of the
16 majority of the members present at any such meeting.

17 E. The action taken by the Board on any matter, or any document
18 passed by the Board, shall be considered official when such action
19 is placed in writing and signed by the chair or vice-chair.

20 F. The duties of the Board shall pertain to the care,
21 treatment, and hospitalization of persons with mental illness, or
22 alcohol- or drug-dependent persons.

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1 G. Members of the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
2 Services shall be allowed their necessary travel expenses pursuant
3 to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

4 H. Members of the Board of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
5 Services shall be allowed to serve on the State Board of Medical
6 Licensure and Supervision or the State Board of Osteopathic
7 Examiners during members' terms on the Board of Mental Health and
8 Substance Abuse Services.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2016.

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