

Bill Number: S.B. 1235

**Shemp Floor Amendment** 

Reference to: printed bill

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#### FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION

## Health Profession Regulatory Boards (health boards)

- 1. Restores the current statutory membership of all affected health boards, excluding:
  - a) the Dental Board:
  - b) the Pharmacy Board;
  - c) the increase of two additional public members on the Optometry Board; and
  - d) the modification of the make-up of the licensed members on the Psychologist Board.
- 2. Requires, for all health boards, that at least 50 percent of the licensed or certified members be:
  - a) former licensees who are retired and have never had their license revoked or suspended or have voluntarily surrendered their license in lieu of suspension or revocation; or
  - b) validly licensed to practice and are not currently practicing.
- 3. Subjects all appointment of members to a health board by the Governor to confirmation by the Senate.
- 4. Allows a health board to fill a public member position by a majority vote if the Governor fails to fill a public member position within one year after the position becomes vacant.
- 5. Deems a health board appointee as confirmed if the Senate fails to confirm or reject an appointee within one year after the Governor's appointment.

## Health Board Oversight Council (Council)

- 6. Establishes the Council consisting of three members, each of whom is a current executive director of a health board.
- 7. Requires the Governor to appoint each member on the Council by lot and in the presence of all current executive directors of the health boards.
- 8. Requires the initial Council members to be appointed by January 1, 2026, for staggered three-year terms.
- 9. Prohibits an executive director from serving on the Council for at least two full terms before reappointment.

- 10. Prohibits an executive director from refusing appointment to the Council.
- 11. Prohibits an executive director of a health board who is serving on the Council from reviewing or overseeing any matter relating to that executive director's health board.
- 12. Allows Council members to use their own health board staff and facilities to facilitate the business of the Council.
- 13. Requires the Council to review and approve or deny market-sensitive action taken or decisions made by a health board on or after January 1, 2026.
- 14. Requires the Council to meet at least once each month unless there is no business for the Council to consider.
- 15. Requires a health board to forward any market-sensitive action taken or decision made to the Council for review.
- 16. Allows the Council to receive information relating to market-sensitive actions taken or decisions made by a health board from any licensees, certificate holder or other affected person.
- 17. Requires the Council to notify the health board within 10 business days after receiving a request to review an alleged market-sensitive action.
- 18. Requires the Council to either agree with the action taken or decision made or refer the issue back to the health board for reconsideration within 90 days after receiving the market-sensitive action for review.
- 19. Requires the Council's decision to include a summary of the decision and the justification for the decision.

### Health Board Reports

- 20. Requires each health board, by November 1, 2025, to submit a report to the Governor, President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of Representatives and Secretary of State outlining the laws, rules and internal processes that dictate the following:
  - a) all requirements for each type of license or certificate issued by the health board, including:
    - i. education and training requirements;
    - ii. continuing education requirements;
    - iii. initial and renewal licensure and certification application processes and time frames:
    - iv. application and initial and renewal licensing and certification fees; and
    - v. required background checks and any offenses that would preclude licensure or certification:
  - b) how the health board receives and investigates complaints and the types of disciplinary authority the health board possesses, including appeal processes;
  - c) the number of full-time employees of the Health Board and their corresponding duties:
  - d) hiring, onboarding and termination of employees of the health board;
  - e) a description of documents and discipline records retention;

- f) a description of current contracts with third-party vendors and the services being provided by the vendors; and
- g) a description of health board positions, including qualifications, term length and any prohibitions on consecutive terms.
- 21. States that the Legislature intends that this report to provide it with adequate information to facilitate the revision and consolidation of statutes governing each health board in an effort to create uniformity and consistency in application while allowing for necessary exceptions essential to the operation and regulatory authority of each health board.
- 22. Repeals the health board reporting requirement on July 1, 2026.

#### Miscellaneous

- 23. Defines *market-sensitive action* as actions or decisions by a health board that create barriers to market participation and restrict competition, including:
  - a) modifying examination passage scores;
  - b) adopting or modifying advertising restrictions;
  - c) changing fees or civil penalties;
  - d) expanding or restricting the scope of practice of a licensee or certificate holder; and
  - e) demonstrating a pattern of disciplinary actions that creates barriers to market participation.
- 24. Defines health board and health professional.
- 25. Makes technical and conforming changes.

# SHAMP FLOOR AMENDMENT SENATE AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1235 (Reference to printed bill)

Amendment instruction key:

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1 The bill as proposed to be amended is reprinted as follows:

Section 1. Section 32-802, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 3 read:

32-802. State board of podiatry examiners; members; compensation; employees; immunity

- A. The state board of podiatry examiners is established consisting of five members who are appointed by the governor [PURSUANT TO SECTION 8 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 9 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u> 10 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u> 11 <u>MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.</u>
- 2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE 13 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- 14  $[\underline{B}.]$  Each member shall be appointed for a term of five years, to 15 begin and end on February 1.
- 16 [8.][C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 17 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 18 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 19 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 20 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 21 federal bureau of investigation.
- [C.][D.] Three [TWO members][ONE MEMBER] of the board shall have practiced podiatry continuously in this state for not less than AT LEAST two years immediately preceding appointment and shall have [A] valid [licenses][LICENSE] to practice podiatry. [TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF PODIATRY IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE PODIATRY AND ARE NOT

1 <u>CURRENTLY PRACTICING.</u>] [ $\underline{\mathsf{Two}}$ ] [ $\underline{\mathsf{Two}}$ ] [ $\underline{\mathsf{THREE}}$ ] members of the board shall be  $\underline{\mathsf{Tay}}$  2 <u>persons</u> LAYPERSONS. All members of the board shall be citizens of the 3 United States.

4 [B.][E.] A vacancy on the board occurring other than by the 5 expiration of a term shall be filled by appointment by the governor for 6 the unexpired term.

7 [f] All appointments shall be made promptly, and in the case 8 of the vacancy of a professional member or members, appointment shall be 9 made no later than ninety days from the expiration of the term or vacancy.

10 [f.][G.] The term of any member, at the discretion of the board, 11 may end and the office be declared vacant for the member's failure to 12 attend three consecutive meetings of the board.

13 [ $\frac{6}{3}$ ][ $\frac{H}{4}$ ] Members of the board shall receive compensation of fifty 14  $\frac{1}{4}$  \$50 for each day of actual service in the business of the board.

15 [H.][I.] Subject to title 41, chapter 4, article 4, the board may 16 employ personnel, including trained investigators, as it deems necessary 17 to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

18 [f] Members and personnel of the board are personally immune 19 from suit with respect to all acts done and actions taken in good faith 20 and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 2. Section 32-901, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 22 read:

32-901. <u>State board of chiropractic examiners; members;</u> removal; immunity

A. The state board of chiropractic examiners is established consisting of [FIVE MEMBERS WHO ARE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:

28 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
29 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
30 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.

31 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 32 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.

B.] three TWO [MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF CHIROPRACTIC IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE CHIROPRACTIC AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING. ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD SHALL BE A] licensed [chiropractors][CHIROPRACTOR] and [two] [THREE] [MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE] consumer members [who are appointed by the governor]. [One][EACH] member shall be appointed 41 each year for a term of five years, to begin and end on July 1.

42 [8.] [C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 43 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 44 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 45 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 46 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 47 federal bureau of investigation.

[C.] [D.] Each member of the board shall be a resident of this 2 state, and [each of] the licensed chiropractic [members][MEMBER] shall 3 have practiced chiropractic in this state for three years or more. The 4 [two] [THREE] consumer members of the board shall not be in any manner 5 connected with, or have an interest in, any college or school of 6 chiropractic or any person practicing any form of healing or treatment of 7 bodily or mental ailments. A board member shall not receive compensation 8 as an agent or employee of or a contractor for an insurance company. This 9 subsection does not prevent [ $\pi$ ][THE] board member who is a licensed 10 chiropractor from receiving compensation from an insurance company for 11 patient care as provided for in a patient's insurance policy.

12 [B.] Before taking office, each board member shall take an oath 13 prescribed by law and shall affirm by oath that the board member meets the 14 qualifications as prescribed in this section.

15 [f] The governor may remove board members for neglect of duty, 16 malfeasance or misfeasance in office. Vacancies occurring on the board 17 other than by expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired 18 portion of the term by appointment in the same manner as regular 19 appointments.

20 [f.][G.] A member of the board may not serve more than two 21 consecutive terms.

[ $rac{G.}{G.}$ ][ $rac{H.}{I.}$ ] A board member who acts within the board member's authority is personally immune from civil liability with respect to all 24 actions taken in good faith pursuant to this chapter.

Sec. 3. Section 32-1203, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 26 read:

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32-1203. <u>State board of dental examiners: members:</u> gualifications; terms
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A. The state board of dental examiners is established consisting of six ONE licensed dentists DENTIST, two ONE licensed dental hygienists [HYGIENTIST] [HYGIENIST], two FOUR public members and one business entity member WHO ARE appointed by the governor [PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, 33 EXCEPT THAT:

- 34 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  35 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
  36 <u>MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.</u>
- 37 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 38 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.
- 39 <u>B. EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD IS APPOINTED</u>] for a term of four years, 40 to begin and end on January 1.

41 [8.][C.] Before appointment by the governor [ $\underline{OR}$  BOARD], a 42 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 43 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 44 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 45 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 46 federal bureau of investigation.

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[C.][D.] The business entity member and the public members may 2 participate in all board proceedings and determinations, except in 3 preparing, giving or grading examinations for licensure. THE dental 4 hygienist board members MEMBER may participate in all board proceedings 5 and determinations, except in preparing, giving and grading examinations 6 that do not relate to dental hygiene procedures.

[0, ][E] A board member shall not serve more than two consecutive 8 terms.

[E.] [F.] For the purposes of this section, the business entity 10 member must be an employee or owner of a registered business entity 11 pursuant to section 32-1213 and may not include a person who is licensed 12 pursuant to this chapter.

13 Sec. 4. Section 32-1402, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 14 read:

> 32-1402. Arizona medical board; members; appointment; qualifications; term; removal; compensation; immunity; report

- 18 A. The Arizona medical board is established. The board consists of 19 twelve members, [four] [SEVEN] of whom shall represent the public[,] [and] 20 eight [FIVE] [FOUR] of whom shall be ARE actively practicing medicine [AND 21 FOUR OF WHOM HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE 22 VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION 23 AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE 24 IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE AND ARE NOT 25 <u>CURRENTLY PRACTICING</u>]. One of the [four] [SEVEN] public members shall be 26 a licensed practical nurse or a professional nurse, as defined in chapter 27 15 of this title, with at least five years' experience. The [eight] 28 [FIVE] physicians must be from at least three different counties of the 29 THIS state. Not more than [five] [TWO] of the board members may be from 30 any one county. Members of the board are appointed by the governor. 31 appointments shall be made promptly. The governor shall make all 32 appointments pursuant to section 38-211[, EXCEPT THAT:
- 1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE 34 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC 35 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE 36 37 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- B. [EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION,] each 39 doctor of medicine who is appointed to the board shall have been a 40 resident of this state and actively engaged in the practice of medicine as 41 a licensed physician in this state for at least the five years before 42 appointment.
- 43 C. The term of office of a member of the board is five years, 44 commencing on July 1 and terminating on July 1 of the fifth year. Each 45 member is eligible for reappointment for not more than one additional 46 term. However, the term of office for a member of the board appointed to 47 fill a vacancy occasioned other than by expiration of a full term is for

1 the unexpired portion of that term. Each member may be appointed only 2 once to fill a vacancy caused other than by expiration of a term. The 3 governor may reappoint that member to not more than two additional full 4 terms. Each member of the board shall continue to hold office until the 5 appointment and qualification of that member's successor, subject to the 6 following exceptions:

- 1. A member of the board, after notice and a hearing before the 8 governor, may be removed on a finding by the governor of continued neglect 9 of duty, incompetence, or unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, in 10 which event that member's term shall end when the governor makes this 11 finding.
  - 2. The term of any member automatically ends:
  - (a) On death.

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- 14 (b) On written resignation submitted to the board chairman or to 15 the governor.
- 16 (c) On absence from  $\frac{\text{the}}{\text{THIS}}$  state for a period of more than six 17 months.
  - (d) For failure to attend three consecutive meetings of the board.
- 19 (e) Five years after retirement from the active practice of 20 medicine.
- D. The board shall annually elect, from among its membership, a 22 chairman CHAIRPERSON, a vice-chairman VICE CHAIRPERSON and a secretary, 23 who shall hold their respective offices at the pleasure of the board.
- E. Board members are eligible to receive compensation in the amount of up to two hundred fifty dollars \$250 per day for each day of actual service in the business of the board, including time spent in preparation for and attendance at board meetings, and all expenses necessarily and properly incurred in attending meetings of the board.
- F. Members of the board are personally immune from suit with 30 respect to all acts done and actions taken in good faith and in 31 furtherance of the purposes of this chapter.
- 32 G. The board shall submit a written report to the governor, the 33 Arizona regulatory board of physician assistants and the members of the 34 health and human services committee of the senate and the health committee 35 of the house of representatives, or their successor committees, no NOT 36 later than August 31 of each year on the board's licensing and 37 disciplinary activities for the previous fiscal year. The report must 38 include both of the following:
- 1. Information regarding staff turnover that indicates whether the 40 person was temporary, part-time or full-time and in which department or 41 division the person worked.
- 2. The number of investigators who have been hired and how many of them have completed the investigator training program required by section 44 32-1405.
- 45 H. Public members appointed to the board may submit a separate 46 written report to the governor  $\frac{1}{2}$  ON OR BEFORE August 31 of each year

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1 setting forth their comments relative to the board's licensing and 2 disciplinary activities for the previous fiscal year.

3 Sec. 5. Section 32-1502, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 4 read:

# 32-1502. <u>Naturopathic physicians medical board; members:</u> <u>appointment; qualifications; terms; immunity</u>

- 7 A. The naturopathic physicians medical board is established 8 consisting of the following members:
- 9 1. Four [THREE][TWO] physician members WHO ARE appointed by the 10 governor. Each physician member shall be:
- 11 (a) A resident of this state for at least five years immediately 12 preceding the appointment.
- 13 (b) A doctor of naturopathic medicine with a degree from a 14 naturopathic school or college approved by the board who has engaged in 15 full-time practice of naturopathic medicine for at least five years 16 immediately preceding the appointment.
- 17 [2. TWO MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR
  18 SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF
  19 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM
  20 THE PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID
  21 LICENSE TO PRACTICE NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY
  22 PRACTICING.]
- [2.] [3.] [Three] [FOUR] public members appointed by the governor. 24 Each public member shall:
- 25 (a) Be a resident of this state for at least five years immediately 26 preceding the appointment.
- 27 (b) Not be connected, in any manner, with or have any interest in a 28 school of medicine, a health care institution or any person practicing any 29 form of healing or treatment of bodily or mental ailments.
  - (c) Demonstrate an interest in the health problems in this state.
- 31 [B. ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 32 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 33 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  34 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
  35 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 36 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 37 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.]
- 38 [8.][C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 39 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 40 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 41 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 42 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 43 federal bureau of investigation.
- 44 [c.][D.] The terms of office of the physician members and the 45 public members are five years to begin and end on June 30. Each physician 46 member and each public member continue to hold office until the

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1 appointment and qualification of their successors, subject to the 2 following exceptions:

- 1. A member of the board may be removed from office if the governor 4 finds the member was guilty of malfeasance, misfeasance or dishonorable 5 conduct.
- 2. The term of any member automatically ends on resignation, 7 permanent removal from this state or removal from this state for a period 8 of more than six months.

 $[\mathcal{D}_{\tau}][E]$  There shall be no monetary liability on the part of and no 10 cause of action shall arise against the members of the board, the 11 secretary-treasurer or permanent or temporary personnel of the board for 12 any act done or proceeding undertaken or performed in good faith and in 13 furtherance of the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 6. Section 32-1602, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 14 15 read:

# 32-1602. Arizona state board of nursing; members; terms; <u>immunity</u>

- 18 A. The Arizona state board of nursing is established consisting of 19 [eleven] [NINE] members who are appointed by the governor [PURSUANT TO 20 SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE 21 22 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC 23 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 24 2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE 25 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- [B.] [Six] [TWO] members shall be registered nurses, including at 27 least one registered nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist or 28 certified registered nurse anesthetist. One member shall be a nursing 29 assistant or a nursing assistant educator. [Two] [FIVE] members shall 30 represent the public and [two members] [ONE MEMBER] shall be [A] licensed 31 practical [nurses] [NURSE]. [AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT OF THE LICENSED OR 32 CERTIFIED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR 33 <u>LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE</u> 34 IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED 35 FROM THE PRACTICE OF NURSING IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO 36 PRACTICE NURSING AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.] Members shall be 37 appointed for a term of five years, to begin and end on June 30.

[8.] Before appointment by the governor [0R BOARD], 39 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 40 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 41 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. 42 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 43 federal bureau of investigation.

[C.][D.] On or before May 1 each year and at any other time a 45 vacancy on the board occurs, the governor shall make an appointment or 46 appointments to the board. AN appointment to fill a vacancy other than by

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1 expiration shall be for the unexpired term. A person shall not serve more 2 than two consecutive terms as a member of the board.

3 [B.][E.] The governor may remove any person from the board for 4 neglect of any duty imposed by law or for incompetency or unprofessional 5 or dishonorable conduct.

 $[\underbrace{E.}][\underline{F.}]$  A board member's term automatically ends:

- 1. On the death of the member.
- 8 2. On the member's written resignation submitted to the board 9 president or to the governor.
- 10 3. On the member's failure to attend three consecutive board 11 meetings.

12 [f.][G.] A board member who acts within the scope of board duties, 13 without malice and in the reasonable belief that the member's action is 14 warranted by law is not subject to civil liability.

Sec. 7. Section 32-1672, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 16 read:

32-1672. <u>State board of dispensing opticians; members;</u> <u>qualifications; terms; removal; immunity</u>

- A. The state board of dispensing opticians is established consisting of seven members WHO ARE appointed by the governor [PURSUANT TO 21 SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 22 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  23 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
  24 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 25 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 26 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- [B.] Five THREE members of the board [SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE 28 NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY 29 SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE 30 FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE 31 TO PRACTICE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING. TWO MEMBERS] shall be 32 licensees in good standing under this chapter. [Two] [FOUR] members of 33 the board shall be public members.
- 34 [8.] [C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 35 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 36 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 37 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 38 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 39 federal bureau of investigation.
- 40 [ $\overline{\text{c.}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{D.}}$ ] Each member shall serve for a term of five years 41 expiring on the first day in January of the appropriate year. A member 42 shall not serve for more than two complete consecutive terms.
- 43 [ $\overline{\text{D.}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{E.}}$ ] The board shall elect from among its membership a 44 chairman CHAIRPERSON and such other officers as it deems necessary, who 45 shall hold their offices at the pleasure of the board.

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- 1 [F.] [F.] Members of the board are eligible to receive 2 compensation in the amount of fifty dollars \$50 for each day of actual 3 service in the business of the board.
- 4 [f] [G.] The governor may remove a board member from office if 5 the governor determines that the member is guilty of malfeasance, 6 misfeasance or dishonorable conduct.
- 7  $\left[\frac{6\cdot}{1}\right]$  The board, the secretary-treasurer of the board and 8 permanent and temporary board personnel are immune from civil liability 9 for any act the board, its officers and board personnel perform in good 10 faith and in furtherance of this chapter.
- 11 Sec. 8. Section 32-1702, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 12 read:
  - 32-1702. <u>State board of optometry; members; appointment;</u> qualifications; terms; removal; meetings
- 15 A. The state board of optometry is established consisting of the 16 following members who are appointed by the governor to staggered four-year 17 terms that end on July 1:
- 18 1. Five THREE members [WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR 19 SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF 20 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM 21 THE PRACTICE OF OPTOMETRY IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO 22 PRACTICE OPTOMETRY AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.
- 2. TWO MEMBERS] who have been licensed and engaged in the active 24 practice of optometry in this state for at least three years immediately 25 before the appointment.
- 26  $\left[\frac{2}{2}\right]$   $\left[\frac{3}{2}\right]$  FOUR public members who do not have a direct or 27 indirect interest in the practice of optometry, opticianry or medicine.
- 28 [B. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 29 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 30 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  31 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
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- 33 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 34 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.]
- [8.] [C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR] BOARD, a 36 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 37 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 38 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 39 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 40 federal bureau of investigation.
- 41 [C.] [D.] The governor may remove any professional member for 42 incompetency or unprofessional conduct or if the member's license has been 43 revoked or suspended or if the member has been censured or placed on 44 probation. The governor may remove any member for neglect of duty or 45 improper conduct. The unexcused absence of a member for more than two 46 consecutive meetings is justification for removal. Appointment by the

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1 governor to fill a vacancy caused other than by expiration of a term is 2 for the unexpired portion of the term.

3 [B.] [E.] A member of the board is ineligible to serve more than 4 two consecutive full terms. The completion of the unexpired portion of a 5 full term does not constitute a full term for purposes of this subsection.

[f.] [f.] The board shall conduct regular meetings at least six 7 times each year at times and places designated by the board or the 8 governor. Special meetings may be called that the president determines 9 are necessary to carry out the functions of the board, including meetings 10 using communications equipment that allows all members participating in 11 the meetings to hear each other.

12 [f.] [g.] A majority of the members of the board constitutes a 13 quorum and a majority vote of a quorum present at any meeting governs all 14 actions taken by the board.

15 Sec. 9. Section 32-1801, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 16 read:

32-1801. Arizona board of osteopathic examiners in medicine and surgery; members; qualifications; oath; removal

- A. The Arizona board of osteopathic examiners in medicine and 21 surgery is established consisting of seven members WHO ARE appointed by 22 the governor [PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 23 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u> 24 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC 25 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 26 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 27 <u>YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT. THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.</u>
- 28 <u>B.</u>] [ $\theta$ ne][EACH] member of the board shall be appointed each year 29 for a term of five years, to begin and end on April 15.

30 [8.][C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 31 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 32 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 33 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 34 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 35 federal bureau of investigation.

[C.][D.] [Two] [FOUR] members of the board shall be public members who shall ARE not be in any manner connected with, or DO NOT have an interest in, any school of medicine or any person practicing any form of healing or treatment of bodily or mental ailments and who has HAVE demonstrated an interest in the health problems of the THIS state. [The other] five THREE members of the board [SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING. TWO MEMBERS] shall have engaged in the practice of medicine as an osteopathic physician in this state for at

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least five years preceding their appointments, hold active licenses in good standing and, at the time of appointment, be practicing medicine with direct patient contact. In making appointments of each professional member of the board, the governor shall consider a list of qualified persons submitted by the Arizona osteopathic medical association and recommendations by any other person. Members of the board shall continue in office until their successors are appointed and qualified. Each board member, before entering on his THE MEMBER'S duties, shall take an oath prescribed by law and in addition thereto shall make an oath as to his THE MEMBER'S qualifications as prescribed in this section. No A board member may NOT serve more than two consecutive five year terms.

12 [D.][E.] The governor may remove A board members if they fail
13 MEMBER WHO FAILS to attend three or more board meetings within twelve
14 months. This does not include telephonic meetings of the board. The
15 governor may also remove A board members MEMBER for malfeasance,
16 misfeasance or incompetence in their office, unprofessional or
17 dishonorable conduct in their office or unprofessional or dishonorable
18 conduct. The governor shall appoint a qualified replacement to fill a
19 vacant position for the unexpired portion of the term.

Sec. 10. Section 32-1902, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 21 read:

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32-1902. <u>Arizona state board of pharmacy; members;</u> qualifications; terms; oath; immunity
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- A. The Arizona state board of pharmacy is established consisting of the following members who are appointed by the governor:
- 1. Six THREE pharmacists, at least one of whom is a pharmacist 27 employed by a licensed hospital and at least one of whom is employed by a 28 community pharmacy and engaged in the day-to-day practice of pharmacy.
  - 2. One pharmacy technician.
  - 3. Two FIVE public members.
- 31 [B. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 32 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 33 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  34 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
  35 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 36 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u>
  37 <u>YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.</u>]
  38 [8.] [C.] To be qualified for appointment:
- 1. A pharmacist must be licensed as a pharmacist in this state or 40 any other jurisdiction for a period of at least ten years and licensed as 41 a pharmacist and a resident in this state for a period of at least five 42 years immediately before the date of appointment.
- 2. Each public member must be a resident of this state for a period 44 of at least five years immediately before the date of appointment.

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- 3. A pharmacy technician must be a practicing pharmacy technician 2 in this state or any other jurisdiction for at least five years and be 3 licensed as a pharmacy technician and a resident of this state for at 4 least five years immediately before the date of appointment. A pharmacy 5 technician appointed before July 1, 2009 does not have to meet the minimum 6 five year licensure requirement of this paragraph.
- 7 [C.] [D.] Each pharmacist and pharmacy technician member shall 8 serve for a term of five years. Public members may serve for a term of 9 five years unless removed by the governor. The public members shall after 10 the first of every year present a written report to the governor. 11 Vacancies occurring on the board other than by expiration of term of 12 office shall be filled for the unexpired portion of the term only.
- [B.] [E.] On or before January 15 of each year in which a 14 pharmacist or a pharmacy technician is to be appointed, the executive 15 director of the pharmacy association of Arizona may submit to the governor 16 a list of the names of at least seven of its members who have been 17 nominated by the association, and who meet the requirements as provided 18 in this section for the next occurring vacancy on the board. The governor 19 may make appointments of licensed pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to 20 the board from the nominees on the list or from others having the 21 necessary qualifications.
- [f.] [f.] Appointees to the board within thirty days after their 23 appointment shall take and subscribe to an oath or affirmation, before a 24 properly qualified officer, that they will faithfully and impartially 25 perform the duties of their office. The executive director shall file the 26 oath or affirmation with the secretary of state.
- [f.] [g.] Members of the board are personally exempt from suit 28 with respect to all acts done and actions taken in good faith and in 29 furtherance of this chapter.
- 30 Sec. 11. Section 32-2002, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 31 read:
  - 32-2002. <u>Board of physical therapy; members; appointment; qualifications; terms; removal; reimbursement; immunity</u>
- 35 A. The board of physical therapy is established consisting of 36 members WHO ARE appointed by the governor pursuant to section 38-211[\_. 37 EXCEPT THAT:
- 38 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  39 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
  40 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 41 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 42 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.
- 43 B]. Four TWO members [SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR
  44 LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE
  45 IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE
  46 RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF PHYSICAL THERAPY IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A
  47 VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE PHYSICAL THERAPY AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY

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PRACTICING. TWO MEMBERS] shall be physical therapists who are residents of this state, possess an unrestricted license to practice physical therapy in this state and have been practicing in this state for at least five years before their appointment. One member shall be a physical therapist assistant who is a resident of this state, possesses an unrestricted license issued pursuant to this chapter and has been performing selected interventions in this state for at least five years before the person's appointment. The governor shall also appoint [two] [FOUR] public members who are residents of this state and who are not affiliated with, and do not have a financial interest in, any health care profession but who have an interest in consumer rights.

[B.][C.] Board members serve staggered four-year terms. Board 13 members shall not serve for more than two successive four-year terms or 14 for more than ten consecutive years. By approval of a majority of the 15 board, a member's service may extend at the completion of a four-year term 16 until a new member is appointed or the current member is reappointed.

17 [C.][D.] If requested by the board, the governor may remove a board 18 member for misconduct, incompetence or neglect of duty.

19 [ $\overline{\text{D.}}$ ][ $\underline{\text{E.}}$ ] Board members are eligible for reimbursement of expenses 20 pursuant to title 38, chapter 4, article 2 to cover necessary expenses for 21 attending each board meeting or for representing the board in an official 22 board approved BOARD-APPROVED activity.

23 [f.] A board member who acts within the scope of board duties, 24 without malice and in the reasonable belief that the person's action is 25 warranted by law is immune from civil liability.

Sec. 12. Section 32-2062, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 27 read:

32-2062. State board of psychologist examiners; members; qualifications; appointments; terms; compensation; immunity

- 31 A. The state board of psychologist examiners is established 32 consisting of ten members WHO ARE appointed by the governor pursuant to 33 section 38-211[, EXCEPT THAT:
- 34 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  35 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
  36 <u>MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.</u>
- 37 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u>
  38 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- B. Each member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this state at the time of appointment. Seven [FOUR] [THREE] members shall be licensed pursuant to this chapter[.] [,] [FOUR 42 MEMBERS SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR 43 SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF 44 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED IN 45 THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE UNDER THIS CHAPTER AND ARE NOT 46 CURRENTLY PRACTICING.] [and] [Three] [SIX] MEMBERS shall be public members
- 47 who are not eligible for licensure. The board shall have at all times,

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1 except for the period when a vacancy exists, at least two members who are 2 ONE MEMBER WHO IS licensed as psychologists A PSYCHOLOGIST and who are IS 3 A full-time faculty members from universities MEMBER FROM A UNIVERSITY in 4 this state with a doctoral program in psychology that meets the 5 requirements of section 32-2071, at least three TWO members who are 6 psychologists in professional practice and at least two members who are 7 ONE MEMBER WHO IS A behavior analysts ANALYST in professional practice and 8 who are members IS A MEMBER of the committee on behavior analysts. The 9 public members shall not have a substantial financial interest in the 10 health care industry and shall not have a household member who is eligible 11 for licensure under this chapter.

- C. Each member shall serve for a term of five years beginning and 12 13 ending on the third Monday in January.
- D. A vacancy on the board occurring other than by the expiration of 15 term shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired term 16 as provided in subsection C of this section. The governor, after a 17 hearing, may remove any member of the board for misconduct, incompetency 18 or neglect of duty.
- E. Board members shall receive compensation in the amount of one 19 20 hundred dollars \$100 for each cumulative eight hours of actual service in 21 the business of the board and reimbursement of all expenses pursuant to 22 title 38, chapter 4, article 2.
- F. Members of the board and its employees, consultants and test 24 examiners are personally immune from suit with respect to all acts done 25 and actions taken in good faith and in furtherance of the purposes of this 26 chapter.
- Sec. 13. Section 32-2502, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 27 28 read:
  - 32-2502. Arizona regulatory board of physician assistants: members: appointment: terms: immunity
- A. The Arizona regulatory board of physician assistants is 31 32 established consisting of the following members:
- 1.  $[\underline{\text{Five}}]$   $[\underline{\text{TWO}}]$  physician assistants who hold a current regular 34 license pursuant to this chapter. The governor may appoint these members 35 from a list of qualified candidates submitted by the Arizona state 36 association of physician assistants. The governor may seek additional 37 input and nominations before the governor makes the physician assistant 38 appointments.
  - 2. [Two] [FIVE] public members who are appointed by the governor.
- 40 3. [<u>Two physicians</u>] [ONE PHYSICIAN] who [are] [<del>IS</del>] actively engaged 41 in the practice of medicine and [who are] [HS] licensed pursuant to 42 chapter 17 of this title, [one of whom] [WHO] supervises or collaborates 43 with a physician assistant at the time of appointment, and who [are] [ $frac{15}{3}$ ] 44 appointed by the governor.

- 4. [ $\underline{\text{Two physicians}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{ONE PHYSICIAN}}$ ] who [ $\underline{\text{are}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{IS}}$ ] actively engaged 2 in the practice of medicine and who  $\underline{\text{are}}$  IS licensed pursuant to chapter 13 3 of this title, [ $\underline{\text{one of whom}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{WHO}}$ ] supervises or collaborates with a 4 physician assistant at the time of appointment, and who [ $\underline{\text{are}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{IS}}$ ] 5 appointed by the governor.
- 6 [B. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 7 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 8 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u> 9 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u> 10 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 11 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 12 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.
- C. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION. AT LEAST FIFTY
  14 PERCENT OF THE LICENSED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE
  15 NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY
  16 SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE
  17 FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM PRACTICE IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A
  18 VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.]
- 19 [8.][D.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 20 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 21 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 22 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 23 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 24 federal bureau of investigation.

25 [C.] The term of office of members of the board is four years, 26 to begin and end on July 1.

[B.][F.] Each board member is eligible for appointment to not more 28 than two full terms, except that the term of office for a member WHO IS 29 appointed to fill a vacancy that is not caused by the expiration of a full 30 term is for the unexpired portion of that term and the governor may 31 reappoint that member to not more than two additional full terms. Each 32 board member may continue to hold office until the appointment and 33 qualification of that member's successor. The governor may remove a 34 member after notice and a hearing on a finding of continued neglect of 35 duty, incompetence or unprofessional or dishonorable conduct. That 36 member's term ends when the finding is made.

[E.][G.] A board member's term automatically ends:

- 1. On written resignation submitted to the board chairperson or to 39 the governor.
- 40 2. If the member is absent from this state for more than six months 41 during a one-year period.
- 3. If the member fails to attend three consecutive regular board meetings.
- 44 4. [EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION.] five years 45 after retirement from active practice.
- 46 [f.][H.] Board members are immune from civil liability for all good 47 faith actions they take pursuant to this chapter.

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<<Sec. 14. Title 32, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding
 2 chapter 27, to read:
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             HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
                        ARTICLE 1. OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
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        32-2701. Definitions
        [IN THIS ARTICLE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:
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        1. "HEALTH PROFESSIONAL" MEANS A PERSON WHO IS CERTIFIED OR
9 LICENSED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 7, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15, 15.1, 16, 17, 18, 19,
10 19.1, 25, 29, 33, 34, 35, 39, 41 OR 42 OF THIS TITLE OR TITLE 36, CHAPTER
11 4, ARTICLE 6.
        2. "HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD" MEANS ANY BOARD THAT
13 <u>REGULATES ONE OR MORE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN THIS STATE.</u>
        3. "MARKET-SENSITIVE ACTION" MEANS ACTIONS OR DECISIONS BY A HEALTH
15 PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD THAT CREATE BARRIERS TO MARKET PARTICIPATION
16 AND RESTRICT COMPETITION, INCLUDING:
        (a) MODIFYING EXAMINATION PASSAGE SCORES.
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        (b) ADOPTING OR MODIFYING ADVERTISING RESTRICTIONS.
        (c) CHANGING FEES OR CIVIL PENALTIES.
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        (d) EXPANDING OR RESTRICTING THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF A LICENSEE OR
21 <u>CERTIFICATE HOLDER.</u>
        (e) DEMONSTRATING A PATTERN OF DISCIPLINARY OR DISCRIMINATORY
23 ACTIONS THAT CREATE BARRIERS TO MARKET PARTICIPATION.]
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        32-2702. Health profession regulatory board oversight
                    council; appointment; terms
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        [A. THE HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD OVERSIGHT COUNCIL IS
27 ESTABLISHED CONSISTING OF THREE MEMBERS, EACH OF WHOM IS A CURRENT
28 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF A HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD. THE GOVERNOR
29 SHALL APPOINT EACH MEMBER OF THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL BY LOT AND IN THE
30 PRESENCE OF ALL CURRENT EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS OF THE HEALTH PROFESSION
31 REGULATORY BOARDS. THE INITIAL OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEMBERS SHALL BE
32 APPOINTED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2026 FOR STAGGERED THREE-YEAR TERMS. AN
33 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY NOT SERVE ON THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL FOR AT LEAST TWO
34 FULL TERMS BEFORE REAPPOINTMENT. AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MAY NOT REFUSE
35 APPOINTMENT TO THE COUNCIL.
        B. AN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF A HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD
37 WHO IS SERVING ON THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MAY NOT REVIEW OR OVERSEE ANY
38 MATTER RELATING TO THAT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY
39 BOARD.
        C. OVERSIGHT COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY USE THEIR OWN BOARD STAFF AND
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41 FACILITIES TO FACILITATE THE BUSINESS OF THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL.]
        32-2703. Oversight council duties
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        [A. THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL SHALL REVIEW AND APPROVE OR DENY
44 MARKET-SENSITIVE ACTION TAKEN OR DECISIONS MADE BY A HEALTH PROFESSION
45 REGULATORY BOARD ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1, 2026. THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL
46 SHALL MEET AT LEAST ONCE EACH MONTH UNLESS THERE IS NO BUSINESS FOR THE
47 OVERSIGHT COUNCIL TO CONSIDER.
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B. A HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD SHALL FORWARD ANY
MARKET-SENSITIVE ACTION TAKEN OR DECISION MADE TO THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL

MARKET-SENSITIVE ACTIONS TAKEN OR DECISIONS MADE BY A HEALTH PROFESSION

REGULATORY BOARD FROM ANY LICENSEE. CERTIFICATE HOLDER OR OTHER AFFECTED

PERSON. THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL SHALL NOTIFY THE HEALTH PROFESSION

REGULATORY BOARD WITHIN TEN BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A REQUEST TO

REVIEW AN ALLEGED MARKET-SENSITIVE ACTION. THE OVERSIGHT COUNCIL SHALL

EITHER AGREE WITH THE ACTION TAKEN OR DECISION MADE OR REFER THE ISSUE

BACK TO THE HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD FOR RECONSIDERATION WITHIN

ININETY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE MARKET-SENSITIVE ACTION FOR REVIEW. THE

OVERSIGHT COUNCIL'S DECISION SHALL INCLUDE A SUMMARY OF THE DECISION AND

THE JUSTIFICATION FOR THE DECISION.]>>
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Sec. 15. Section 32-2902, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 15 read:

32-2902. <u>Board of homeopathic and integrated medicine</u>
examiners; members; terms; removal; immunity

- A. The board of homeopathic and integrated medicine examiners is 19 established consisting of the following members WHO ARE appointed by the 20 governor:
  - 1. [<u>Two</u>] [<del>FOUR</del>] public members.
- 22 2. Until January 1, 2017, four members who are licensed pursuant to section 32-2912, subsection A.
- 24 3. 2. Beginning January 1, 2017, five THREE members [WHO HAVE 25 NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY 26 SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE 27 FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF HOMEOPATHIC MEDICINE 28 IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE HOMEOPATHIC MEDICINE 29 AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.
- 30 [3. TWO MEMBERS] who are licensed pursuant to this chapter, one of 31 whom is licensed pursuant to section 32-2912, subsection B.
- 32 [B. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 33 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 34 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u> 35 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u> 36 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 37 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u>
  38 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.]
- [8.][C.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 40 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 41 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 42 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 43 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 44 federal bureau of investigation.
- 45 [C.][D.] Board members serve staggered three-year terms ending on 46 June 30. Board members shall not serve more than three consecutive terms.

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1 A board member may continue to serve until that member's replacement takes 2 office.

3 [B.][E.] Board members shall be residents of this state for at 4 least three consecutive years immediately before their appointment.

5 [f] The governor may remove a board member from office because 6 of that member's neglect of duty, malfeasance, misfeasance, incompetence 7 or unprofessional or dishonorable conduct.

8 [f.][G.] A board member's term of office automatically ends if that 9 member is absent from this state for more than six months or if that 10 member fails to attend three consecutive regularly scheduled board 11 meetings.

12 [6.] Board members and board employees are immune from civil 13 liability for any good faith action they take to implement this chapter.

Sec. 16. Section 32-3252, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 15 read:

32-3252. <u>Board of behavioral health examiners; members;</u>
appointment; qualifications; terms; compensation;
immunity; training program

- 19 A. The board of behavioral health examiners is established 20 consisting of the following members WHO ARE appointed by the governor:
  - 1. The following professional members:
- 22 (a) [Two members who are] [ONE MEMBER WHO IS] licensed in social 23 work pursuant to this chapter[, at least one of whom is a licensed 24 clinical social worker].
- 25 (b) [Two members who are] [ONE MEMBER WHO IS] licensed in 26 counseling pursuant to this chapter[. at least one of whom is a licensed 27 professional counselor].
- 28 (c) [Two members who are] [ONE MEMBER WHO IS] licensed in marriage 29 and family therapy pursuant to this chapter[, at least one of whom is a 30 licensed marriage and family therapist].
- 31 (d) [<u>Two members who are</u>] [<del>ONE MEMBER WHO IS</del>] licensed in addiction 32 counseling pursuant to this chapter[<u>, at least one of whom is a licensed</u> 33 <u>independent addiction counselor</u>].
  - 2. [Four] [FIVE] public members.
- 35 [B. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 36 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 37 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  38 <u>YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC</u>
  39 <u>MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.</u>
- 40 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 41 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.
- 42 C. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION, AT LEAST FIFTY
  43 PERCENT OF THE LICENSED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE
- 44 <u>NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY</u>
  45 <u>SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND FORMER</u>
- 46 LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM PRACTICE IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID
- 47 LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.]

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[B.][D.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 2 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 3 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 4 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 5 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 6 federal bureau of investigation.

[C.][E.] Each professional board member shall:

- 8 1. Be a resident of this state for at least one year before 9 appointment.
- 10 2. [EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION,] be an 11 active licensee in good standing.
- 12 3. Have at least five years of experience in an area of behavioral 13 health licensed pursuant to this chapter.

[D.][F.] Each public board member shall:

- 15 1. Be a resident of this state for at least one year before 16 appointment.
  - 2. Be at least twenty-one years of age.
- 18 3. Not be licensed or eligible for licensure pursuant to this 19 chapter unless the public member has been retired from active practice for 20 at least five years.
- 4. Not currently have a substantial financial interest in an entity that directly provides behavioral health services.
- 5. Not have a household member who is licensed or eligible for licensure pursuant to this chapter unless the household member has been retired from active practice for at least five years.
- 26 [f] The term of office of board members is three years, to 27 begin and end on the third Monday in January. A member shall not serve 28 more than two full consecutive terms.
- 29 [f.][H.] The board shall annually elect a chairman CHAIRPERSON and 30 secretary-treasurer from its membership.
- 31 [ $rac{G.}{I.}$ ] Board members are eligible to receive compensation of not 32 more than \$85 for each day actually and necessarily spent in the 33 performance of their duties.
- 34 [H.][J.] Board members and personnel are personally immune from 35 suit with respect to all acts done and actions taken in good faith and in 36 furtherance of the purposes of this chapter.
- 37 [f.] Each board member must complete a twelve-hour training 38 program that emphasizes responsibilities for administrative management, 39 licensure, judicial processes and temperament within one year after 40 appointment to the board.
- Sec. 17. Section 32-3402, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 42 read:
- 43 32-3402. <u>Board of occupational therapy examiners; members;</u>
  44 <u>qualifications; terms; compensation; immunity</u>
- A. The board of occupational therapy examiners is established and 46 consists of five members WHO ARE appointed by the governor [PURSUANT TO 47 SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:

- 1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE 2 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC 3 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 4 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 5 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- 6 [B.] Each board member shall be a resident of [the] [THIS] state at 7 the time of appointment. The governor shall appoint [THE FOLLOWING 8 MEMBERS:]
- 9 [1.] [ $\overline{\text{Iwo}}$ ] [ $\overline{\text{THREE}}$ ] persons who are not engaged, directly or 10 indirectly, in the provision of health care services to serve as public 11 members.  $\overline{\text{The other three}}$
- 12 [2.] TWO members [shall have] [WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE

  13 REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU

  14 OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED

  15 FROM THE PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A

  16 VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY

  17 PRACTICING.]
- 18 [3. ONE MEMBER WHO HAS] at least three years of experience in 19 occupational therapy or teaching in an accredited occupational therapy 20 education program in this state immediately before appointment and [ $\frac{1}{2}$ ] be [WHO IS] licensed under this chapter.
- 22 [C.] The governor may select board members from a list of licensees 23 submitted by the Arizona occupational therapy association, inc. or any 24 other appropriate organization.
- [8.][D.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 26 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 27 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 28 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 29 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 30 federal bureau of investigation.
- 31 [ $\mathbb{C}$ .][ $\mathbb{E}$ .] The term of office of board members is three years to 32 begin and end on the third Monday in January. A member shall not serve 33 more than two consecutive terms.
- $[\mathfrak{h},\mathfrak{h},\mathfrak{h}]$  The board, at its first regular meeting after the start of 35 each calendar year and as necessary, shall elect a chairperson and other 36 officers from among its members. The board shall meet at least once each 37 quarter in compliance with the open meeting requirements of title 38, 38 chapter 3, article 3.1 and shall keep an official record of these 39 meetings. Other meetings may be convened at the call of the chairperson 40 or the written request of any two board members. A majority of the 41 members of the board shall constitute a quorum.
- 42 [f.][G.] Each member of the board is eligible to receive 43 compensation in the amount of one hundred dollars \$100 for each regular or 44 special board meeting the member attends and is eligible for reimbursement 45 for all expenses necessarily and properly incurred in attending board 46 meetings.

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1 [F.][ $\underline{H}$ .] A board member is immune from civil liability for any 2 actions that are within the scope of the board member's duties if they are 3 taken without malice and in the reasonable belief that they are warranted 4 by law.

5 Sec. 18. Section 32-3502, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 6 read:

32-3502. <u>Board of respiratory care examiners; members;</u> <u>appointment; qualifications; removal</u>

- 9 A. The board of respiratory care examiners is established 10 consisting of [seven] [NINE] members WHO ARE appointed by the governor 11 [PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 12 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  13 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT. THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
  14 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 15 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 16 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
- 17 [B.] Each board member shall be a resident of this state at the 18 time of appointment. The governor shall appoint:
- 1.  $[\underline{\mathsf{Three}}]$   $[\underline{\mathsf{TWO}}]$  licensed respiratory care practitioners,  $[\underline{\mathsf{at}}]$  20  $[\underline{\mathsf{least}}]$  one of whom is a technical director of a respiratory care 21 department or respiratory care corporation or an officer or faculty member 22 of a college, school or institution engaged in respiratory therapy 23 education and  $[\underline{\mathsf{at}}]$  one of whom is involved in direct patient care.
- 24 2. A physician who is licensed pursuant to chapter 13 or 17 of this 25 title and who is knowledgeable in respiratory care.
- 3.  $[T_{\underline{wo}}]$  [FIVE] public members who are not engaged, directly or indirectly, in the provision of health care services.
  - 4. One hospital administrator.
- 29 [C. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, AT LEAST FIFTY
  30 PERCENT OF THE LICENSED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE
  31 NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY
  32 SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE
  33 FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM PRACTICE IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A
  34 VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.]
- 35 [8.][D.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 36 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 37 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 38 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 39 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 40 federal bureau of investigation.
- 41 [C.][E.] [EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION,] the 42 respiratory care practitioner members shall:
- 1. Have at least five years of experience in respiratory care or 44 respiratory therapy education.
- 45 2. Have been employed actively in direct patient care, respiratory 46 therapy education or management or supervision of respiratory care for at 47 least three years immediately preceding appointment.

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3. Be licensed pursuant to this chapter.  $[\underline{\mathfrak{b}},][\underline{\mathfrak{f}}]$  The governor may appoint the licensed respiratory care 3 practitioners from a list of seven qualified persons submitted to the 4 governor by the Arizona society for respiratory care.  $[\underline{E},][\underline{G}]$  The governor may appoint the physician member from a list 6 of three qualified persons submitted to the governor by the Arizona 7 medical association and the Arizona osteopathic medical association. [f] The governor may appoint the hospital administrator member 9 from a list of three qualified persons submitted to the governor by the 10 Arizona hospital association. [G.][I.] The term of office of each member is three years, to begin 11 12 and end on June 30. A member shall not serve for more than two 13 consecutive terms. [H.][J.] The governor may remove board members for neglect of duty, 14 15 malfeasance or misfeasance. 16 Sec. 19. Section 32-3902, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 17 read: 32-3902. Acupuncture board of examiners; members; 18 19 qualifications; terms; removal; compensation; 20 immunity 21 A. The acupuncture board of examiners is established consisting of 22 the following members who are appointed by the governor: 1. Through January 16, 2022, four members who are licensed to 24 practice acupuncture pursuant to this chapter and who have practiced 25 acupuncture in this state or any other state for at least one year. Not 26 more than two of these members may be graduates of the same school or 27 college of acupuncture. The governor may make these appointments from a 28 list of names submitted by a statewide acupuncture society. 2. Through January 17, 2022, three consumers who: 30 (a) Are not employed in a health profession. 31 (b) Do not have any pecuniary interest in a school of medicine or 32 health care institution. 33 (c) Demonstrate an interest in health issues in this state. 3. Through January 17, 2022, two members who are licensed pursuant 34 35 to chapter 8, 13, 14, 17 or 29 of this title. These members shall not be 36 licensed pursuant to the same chapter. 4. 1. Beginning January 17, 2022, One member who is certified or 38 licensed to practice auricular acupuncture or acupuncture pursuant to this 39 chapter. 5. 2. Beginning January 20, 2022, [Three] [TWO] members who are 40 41 licensed to practice acupuncture pursuant to this chapter and who have 42 practiced acupuncture in this or any other state for at least one year. 43 Not more than  $[\underline{\text{Two of}}]$  these members may NOT be graduates of the same

6. For appointments made on or after January 18, 2022, two

44 school or college of acupuncture. The governor may make these 45 appointments from a list of names submitted by a statewide acupuncture

- 3. [FIVE] [TWO] consumers who meet all of the following:
  - (a) Are not employed in a health profession.
- 3 (b) Do not have any pecuniary interest in a school of medicine or 4 health care institution.
  - (c) Demonstrate an interest in health issues in this state.
- 6 7. 4. For appointments made on or after January 18, 2022, One 7 member who is licensed pursuant to chapter 8, 13, 14, 17 or 29 of this 8 title.
- 9 [B. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 10 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 11 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  12 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
  13 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 14 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 15 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.
- C. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION, AT LEAST FIFTY

  PERCENT OF THE LICENSED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE

  NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE VOLUNTARILY

  SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION AND WHO ARE
  FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM PRACTICE IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A

  VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.]
- [8.][D.] Before appointment by the governor [OR BOARD], a 23 prospective member of the board shall submit a full set of fingerprints to 24 the governor for the purpose of obtaining a state and federal criminal 25 records check pursuant to section 41-1750 and Public Law 92-544. The 26 department of public safety may exchange this fingerprint data with the 27 federal bureau of investigation.
- [ $\overline{c}$ .] Board members shall be residents of this state for at 29 least one year immediately preceding their appointment.
- 30  $[\mathfrak{D}.][\underline{F}.]$  Board members serve three-year terms to begin and end on 31 the third Monday in January. A member shall not serve more than two 32 consecutive terms.
- 33 [f] The board shall meet in January of each year to elect a 34 chairperson and vice chairperson.
  - 35 [f.][H.] The board shall meet quarterly and at the call of the 36 chairperson or a majority of board members.
  - $[6.][\underline{I.}]$  Board members are eligible to receive compensation in an 38 amount not to exceed \$50 per day for each day of actual service in the 39 business of the board and are eligible for reimbursement of expenses 40 necessarily and properly incurred in attending board meetings.
  - 41 [#.][ $\underline{J}$ .] The governor may remove a board member from office for 42 malfeasance, dishonorable conduct or unprofessional management of board 43 duties.
  - 44 [f][K] The term of any member automatically ends on resignation 45 or absence from this state for a period of at least six months. The 46 governor shall fill vacancies for an unexpired portion of a term in the 47 same manner as regular appointments.

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1 [J.][L.] Board members and board employees are not subject to civil 2 liability for any act done or proceeding undertaken or performed in good 3 faith and in furtherance of the purposes of this chapter.

Sec. 20. Section 32-4102, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 5 read:

32-4102. <u>Board of athletic training; members; terms; removal;</u> compensation; immunity

- A. The board of athletic training is established consisting of the 9 following members WHO ARE appointed by the governor:
  - 1. Three TWO athletic trainers [WHO BOTH:
- 11 <u>(a) ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.</u>
- 12 (b) HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR HAVE
  13 VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION
  14 AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE OF ATHLETIC
  15 TRAINING IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE ATHLETIC
  16 TRAINING AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.
- 2. ONE MEMBER] who [are residents] [IS A RESIDENT] of this state,

  18 WHO [possess] [POSSESSES] an unrestricted license to practice athletic

  19 training in this state and WHO [have] [HAS] been practicing in this state

  20 for at least five years immediately preceding [their] appointment. [The

  21 governor may make these appointments from a list of names submitted by a

  22 statewide athletic training association or any other group or person.]

  23 The initial three appointees are not required to be licensed pursuant to

  24 this chapter at the time of selection but shall meet all of the

  25 qualifications for licensure as prescribed by this chapter.
- [2.] [3.] [ $\underline{\text{Two}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{THREE}}$ ] public members who are residents of this 27 state and who are not affiliated with and do not have any financial 28 interest in any health care profession but who have an interest in 29 consumer rights.
- 30 [B. THE GOVERNOR MAY MAKE THE APPOINTMENTS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 31 A. PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SECTION FROM A LIST OF NAMES SUBMITTED BY A 32 STATEWIDE ATHLETIC TRAINING ASSOCIATION OR ANY OTHER GROUP OR PERSON.
- 33 <u>C. THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR</u>
  34 <u>PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:</u>
- 35 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  36 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
  37 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 38 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 39 <u>YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.</u>]
- Board members serve staggered five year FIVE-YEAR terms that begin and end on the third Monday in January. Board members shall at not serve for more than two successive five year terms or for more than the terms that the consecutive years.
- 44 [C.][E.] If requested by the board, the governor may remove a board 45 member for misconduct, incompetence or neglect of duty.

1 [ $\overline{\text{D.}}$ ][ $\overline{\text{F.}}$ ] Board members are eligible for reimbursement of expenses 2 pursuant to title 38, chapter 4, article 2 to cover necessary expenses for 3 attending each board meeting or for representing the board in an official 4 board approved BOARD-APPROVED activity.

[f] A board member who acts within the scope of board duties, 6 without malice and in the reasonable belief that the person's action is 7 warranted by law is not subject to civil liability.

8 <<Sec. 21. Section 32-4202, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 9 read:

10 32-4202. <u>Board of massage therapy; members; terms;</u> 11 <u>compensation; immunity</u>

- 12 A. The board of massage therapy is established consisting of the 13 following members appointed by the governor:
- 1. Two massage therapists who are residents of this state, who 15 possess an unrestricted license to practice massage therapy in this state 16 and who have been practicing in this state for at least five years 17 immediately preceding their appointment. The governor may make these 18 appointments from a list of names submitted by a statewide massage or 19 bodywork therapy association, or both, or any other group or person.
- 20. Three public members who are residents of this state and who are 21 not affiliated with and do not have any financial interest in any health 22 care profession but who have an interest in consumer rights or have a 23 background in compliance or law enforcement issues. At least one public 24 member must be actively involved in programs or services that help to 25 reduce or prevent human trafficking.
- 26 [B. ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR 27 PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 28 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  29 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
  30 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 31 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 32 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED.
- 33 C. AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT OF THE LICENSED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
  34 SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR
  35 HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR
  36 REVOCATION AND WHO ARE FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM THE PRACTICE
  37 OF MASSAGE THERAPY IN THIS STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE
  38 MASSAGE THERAPY AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY PRACTICING.]
- $[8.][\underline{D}.]$  Board members serve staggered five-year terms that begin 40 and end on the third Monday in January. Board members shall not serve for 41 more than two successive five-year terms or for more than ten consecutive 42 years, except that the term of office for a member of the board appointed 43 to fill a vacancy that occurs before the expiration of a full term is for 44 the unexpired portion of that term, and the governor may reappoint that 45 member to not more than two additional full terms.

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1 [C.][E.] If requested by the board, the governor may remove a board 2 member for misconduct, incompetence or neglect of duty.

Board members are eligible to receive compensation in the 4 amount of \$100 per day for each day of actual service in the business of 5 the board and for reimbursement of expenses pursuant to title 38, chapter 6 4, article 2 to cover necessary expenses for attending each board meeting 7 or for representing the board in an official board approved activity.

8 [f:][G] A board member who acts within the scope of board duties, 9 without malice and in the reasonable belief that the member's action is 10 warranted by law is not subject to civil liability.>>

11 Sec. 22. Section 36-446.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 12 read:

36-446.02. <u>Board of examiners: members: terms: meetings:</u> <u>quorum; vacancies; compensation</u>

- A. The board of examiners of nursing care institution definition administrators and assisted living facility managers is established consisting of [eleven] [THIRTEEN] members WHO ARE appointed by the governor [PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-211, EXCEPT THAT:
- 19 <u>1. IF THE GOVERNOR FAILS TO FILL A PUBLIC MEMBER VACANCY WITHIN ONE</u>
  20 YEAR AFTER THE POSITION BECOMES VACANT, THE BOARD MAY FILL THE PUBLIC
  21 MEMBER POSITION BY A MAJORITY VOTE.
- 22 <u>2. IF THE SENATE FAILS TO CONFIRM OR REJECT AN APPOINTEE WITHIN ONE</u> 23 YEAR AFTER THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT, THE APPOINTEE IS DEEMED CONFIRMED].
  - B. The board shall include:
- 25 1. One administrator who holds an active license issued pursuant to 26 this article or who is retired.
- 27 2. One assisted living facility manager who holds an active license 28 issued pursuant to this article or who is retired.
- 3. One administrator of a nonprofit or faith-based skilled nursing facility who either holds an active license issued pursuant to this article or who is retired.
- 4. One administrator of a proprietary skilled nursing facility who 33 <del>either</del> holds an active license issued pursuant to this article or who is 34 retired.
- 35 5. [ $\underline{\text{Two managers}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{ONE MANAGER}}$ ] of an assisted living center who 36 either [ $\underline{\text{hold}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{HOLDS}}$ ] an active license issued pursuant to this article or 37 who [ $\underline{\text{are}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{IS}}$ ] retired.
- 38 6. One manager of an assisted living home who <del>either</del> holds an 39 active license issued pursuant to this article or who is retired.
- 7. One public member who represents an organization that advocates for the elderly.
- 42 8. [ $\underline{One person}$ ] [ $\underline{TWO PERSONS}$ ] who [ $\underline{is}$ ] [ $\underline{ARE}$ ] a family member of 43 EITHER a resident or a person who was a resident in the previous three 44 years in either a skilled nursing facility or an assisted living facility 45 at the time the person is appointed to the board.

- 9. [ $\underline{\text{One person who is a}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{TWO PERSONS WHO ARE}}$ ] current or former 2 [ $\underline{\text{resident}}$ ] [ $\underline{\text{RESIDENTS}}$ ] of a skilled nursing facility or an assisted living 3 facility.
- 4 10. One public member who represents an organization that advocates 5 for individuals with Alzheimer's disease, dementia or other related 6 neurocognitive diseases or disorders.
- 7 [11. ONE PUBLIC MEMBER WHO DOES NOT HAVE A DIRECT OR INDIRECT 8 FINANCIAL INTEREST IN NURSING CARE INSTITUTIONS OR ASSISTED LIVING 9 FACILITIES.
- [C. The board may not have more than three board members who are appointed pursuant to subsection B, paragraphs 1 through 6 of this section and who are retired. Each board member specified in subsection B, paragraphs 1 through 6 of this section who is retired must have had an active license issued pursuant to this article within the previous two years at the time of appointment to the board and may not have had any disciplinary action taken against the person's license or had a license issued pursuant to this article revoked.]
- 18 [C. AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT OF THE LICENSED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
  19 SHALL BE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER HAD THEIR LICENSE REVOKED OR SUSPENDED OR
  20 HAVE VOLUNTARILY SURRENDERED THEIR LICENSE IN LIEU OF SUSPENSION OR
  21 REVOCATION AND FORMER LICENSEES WHO ARE RETIRED FROM PRACTICE IN THIS
  22 STATE OR WHO HAVE A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE AND ARE NOT CURRENTLY
  23 PRACTICING.]
- D. Board members who are not affiliated with a nursing care institution or an assisted living facility shall not have a direct financial interest in nursing care institutions or assisted living facilities.
- E. A board member shall not serve on any other board relating to long-term care during the member's term with the board.
- 30 F. The term of a board member automatically ends when that member 31 no longer meets the qualifications for appointment to the board. The 32 board shall notify the governor of the board vacancy.
- 33 G. Board members who are not affiliated with a nursing care 34 institution or an assisted living facility shall be appointed for two-year 35 terms. Board members who are the administrator of a nursing care 36 institution or the manager of an assisted living facility shall be 37 appointed for three-year terms.
- 38 H. A board member shall not serve for more than two consecutive 39 terms.
  - I. The board shall meet at least twice a year.

- J. A majority of the board members constitutes a quorum.
- 42 K. Board members are eligible to receive compensation as determined 43 pursuant to section 38-611 for each day actually spent performing their 44 duties under this chapter.
- 45 L. A board member who is absent from three consecutive regular 46 meetings or who fails to attend more than fifty percent of board meetings

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1 over the course of one calendar year vacates the board member's position. 2 The board shall notify the governor of the vacancy.

<<Sec. 23. Health profession regulatory boards; report;
 intent; delayed repeal</pre>

- 5 [A. On or before November 1, 2025, each health profession 6 regulatory board shall submit a report to the governor, the president of 7 the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives, and shall 8 provide a copy to the secretary of state, outlining the laws, rules and 9 internal processes that dictate the following:
- 10 <u>1. All requirements for each type of license or certificate issued</u> 11 <u>by the board, including:</u>
  - (a) Education and training requirements.
  - (b) Continuing education requirements.
- 14 <u>(c) Initial and renewal licensure and certification application</u> 15 processes and time frames.
- (d) Application and initial and renewal licensing and certification 17 fees.
- 18 <u>(e) Required background checks and any offenses that would preclude</u>
  19 <u>licensure or certification.</u>
- 20 <u>2. How the board receives and investigates complaints and the types</u> 21 of disciplinary authority the board possesses, including appeal processes.
- 22 <u>3. The number of full-time employees of the board and their</u> 23 <u>corresponding duties.</u>
  - 4. Hiring, onboarding and termination of employees of the board.
  - 5. A description of documents and discipline records retention.
- 26 <u>6. A description of current contracts with third-party vendors and</u> 27 <u>the services being provided by the vendors.</u>
- 28 <u>7. A description of board positions, including qualifications, term</u> 29 length and any prohibitions on consecutive appointments.
- B. This legislature intends that this report provide the legislature adequate information to facilitate the revision and consolidation of statutes governing each health profession regulatory board in an effort to create uniformity and consistency in application while allowing for necessary exceptions essential to the operation and regulatory authority of each board.
  - C. This section is repealed from and after June 30, 2026.]>>
  - Sec. 24. Retention of members
- A. Notwithstanding section 32-802, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the state board of 40 podiatry examiners on the effective date of this act may continue to serve 41 until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all 42 subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- B. Notwithstanding section 32-901, Arizona Revised Statutes, as 44 amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the state board of 45 chiropractic examiners on the effective date of this act may continue to 46 serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make 47 all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.

- 1 C. Notwithstanding section 32-1203, Arizona Revised Statutes, as 2 amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the state board of 3 dental examiners on the effective date of this act may continue to serve 4 until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all 5 subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- D. Notwithstanding section 32-1402, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the Arizona medical board on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- E. Notwithstanding section 32-1502, Arizona Revised Statutes, as 12 amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the naturopathic 13 physicians medical board on the effective date of this act may continue to 14 serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make 15 all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- F. Notwithstanding section 32-1602, Arizona Revised Statutes, as member by this act, all persons serving as members of the Arizona state board of nursing on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- G. Notwithstanding section 32-1672, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the state board of dispensing opticians on the effective date of this act may continue to 24 serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- H. Notwithstanding section 32-1702, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the state board of optometry on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until 29 the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all 30 subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- I. Notwithstanding section 32-1801, Arizona Revised Statutes, as a mended by this act, all persons serving as members of the Arizona board of osteopathic examiners in medicine and surgery on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- J. Notwithstanding section 32-1902, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the Arizona state 39 board of pharmacy on the effective date of this act may continue to serve 40 until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all 41 subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- K. Notwithstanding section 32-2002, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of 44 physical therapy on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.

- L. Notwithstanding section 32-2062, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the state board of 3 psychologist examiners on the effective date of this act may continue to 4 serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make 5 all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- M. Notwithstanding section 32-2502, Arizona Revised Statutes, as a mended by this act, all persons serving as members of the Arizona regulatory board of physician assistants on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- N. Notwithstanding section 32-2902, Arizona Revised Statutes, as a mended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of homeopathic and integrated medicine examiners on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- 0. Notwithstanding section 32-3252, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of 19 behavioral health examiners on the effective date of this act may continue 20 to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall 21 make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- P. Notwithstanding section 32-3402, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of 24 occupational therapy examiners on the effective date of this act may 25 continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The 26 governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- Q. Notwithstanding section 32-3502, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of 29 respiratory care examiners on the effective date of this act may continue 30 to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall 31 make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- R. Notwithstanding section 32-3902, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the acupuncture board of examiners on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- 37 S. Notwithstanding section 32-4102, Arizona Revised Statutes, as 38 amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of 39 athletic training on the effective date of this act may continue to serve 40 until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all 41 subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- [T. Notwithstanding section 32-4202, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the board of massage therapy on the effective date of this act may continue to serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.]

- 1 [T.][U.] Notwithstanding section 36-446.02, Arizona Revised 2 Statutes, as amended by this act, all persons serving as members of the 3 board of examiners of nursing care institution administrators and assisted 4 living facility managers on the effective date of this act may continue to 5 serve until the expiration of their normal terms. The governor shall make 6 all subsequent appointments as prescribed by statute.
- 7 Enroll and engross to conform
- 8 Amend title to conform

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