House Bill 3496

Sponsored by Representative HOYLE

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Transfers duties, functions and powers relating to issuance of authorizations and enforcement and certain other duties, functions and powers, from State Board of Psychologist Examiners, Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, State Board of Licensed Social Workers, Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, Board of Medical Imaging and State Mortuary and Cemetery Board to Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

Provides that boards under and councils within Oregon Health Licensing Agency have final order authority over contested case proceedings.

Becomes operative January 1, 2014.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency; creating new provisions; amending ORS 40.250, 40.262, 97.825, 97.931, 97.933, 97.941, 97.948, 97.949, 109.675, 128.640, 146.015, 192.450, 401.651, 3 414.665, 430.010, 431.960, 431.972, 432.005, 432.312, 433.010, 433.035, 433.045, 433.235, 438.220, 4 5 441.057, 656.005, 656.799, 675.030, 675.050, 675.063, 675.065, 675.070, 675.075, 675.085, 675.087, 675.110, 675.115, 675.130, 675.140, 675.150, 675.230, 675.240, 675.250, 675.270, 675.280, 675.290, 6 675.300, 675.320, 675.330, 675.335, 675.336, 675.340, 675.385, 675.510, 675.530, 675.532, 675.533, 675.537, 675.540, 675.545, 675.550, 675.560, 675.565, 675.571, 675.580, 675.583, 675.585, 675.595, 8 675.600, 675.715, 675.720, 675.725, 675.735, 675.745, 675.755, 675.765, 675.785, 675.805, 675.825, 9 10 675.835, 675.990, 675.992, 675.994, 676.110, 676.120, 676.130, 676.150, 676.160, 676.306, 676.350, 676.400, 676.410, 676.606, 676.608, 676.609, 676.610, 676.612, 676.613, 676.622, 676.625, 676.992, 11 12 677.060, 678.725, 678.820, 681.230, 681.260, 681.264, 681.270, 681.285, 681.300, 681.320, 681.325, 681.330, 681.340, 681.350, 681.360, 681.420, 681.440, 681.480, 681.490, 681.495, 681.505, 684.040, 13 684.050, 684.054, 684.060, 684.090, 684.092, 684.094, 684.100, 684.105, 684.112, 684.150, 684.155, 14 684.156, 684.160, 684.171, 684.185, 684.190, 684.200, 685.030, 685.070, 685.080, 685.085, 685.091, 15 685.100, 685.102, 685.104, 685.110, 685.112, 685.115, 685.125, 685.135, 685.160, 685.201, 685.205, 16 685.210, 685.220, 685.225, 685.990, 687.490, 688.125, 688.405, 688.415, 688.445, 688.455, 688.485, 17 688.495, 688.505, 688.515, 688.520, 688.525, 688.560, 688.585, 688.595, 688.600, 688.605, 688.915, 18 690.025, 690.167, 692.025, 692.045, 692.105, 692.140, 692.143, 692.146, 692.148, 692.160, 692.170, 19 692.180, 692.190, 692.230, 692.260, 692.265, 692.270, 692.275, 692.320, 692.350, 692.375, 692.385, 20 692.387, 692.389, 743.918 and 743A.168 and section 2, chapter 50, Oregon Laws 2010; repealing 21 ORS 675.597, 681.450, 681.460, 685.195 and 688.557; and declaring an emergency. 22

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

OVERSIGHT BY OREGON HEALTH LICENSING AGENCY

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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SECTION 1. ORS 676.606 is amended to read:

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- 676.606. Pursuant to ORS 676.607, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall provide administrative and regulatory oversight and centralized service for the following boards, advisory councils and programs:
 - [(1) Board of Athletic Trainers, as provided in ORS 688.701 to 688.734;]
- 6 [(2) Board of Cosmetology, as provided in ORS 690.005 to 690.235;]
- [(3) State Board of Denture Technology, as provided in ORS 680.500 to 680.565;]
- 8 [(4) State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery, as provided in ORS 687.405 to 687.495;]
- 9 [(5) Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board, as provided in ORS 688.800 to 688.840;]
 - [(6) Environmental Health Registration Board, as provided in ORS chapter 700;]
- 12 [(7) Board of Body Art Practitioners, as provided in ORS 690.350 to 690.415;]
- 13 [(8) Advisory Council on Hearing Aids, as provided in ORS 694.015 to 694.185;]
- 14 [(9) Sex Offender Treatment Board, as provided in ORS 675.360 to 675.410;]
- 15 [(10) Nursing Home Administrators Board, as provided in ORS 678.710 to 678.820; and]
- 16 [(11) Board of Licensed Dietitians, as provided in ORS 691.405 to 691.485.]
- 17 (1) State Board of Psychologist Examiners, as provided in ORS 675.010 to 675.150;
 - (2) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, as provided in ORS 675.210 to 675.340;
 - (3) Sex Offender Treatment Board, as provided in ORS 675.360 to 675.410;
- 20 (4) State Board of Licensed Social Workers, as provided in ORS 675.510 to 675.600, 675.992 21 and 675.994;
- (5) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, as provided in ORS
 675.715 to 675.835;
 - (6) Nursing Home Administrators Board, as provided in ORS 678.710 to 678.820;
 - (7) State Board of Denture Technology, as provided in ORS 680.500 to 680.565;
- 26 (8) State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery, as provided in ORS 687.405 to 687.495;
 - (9) Board of Medical Imaging, as provided in ORS 688.405 to 688.605 and 688.915;
- 28 (10) Board of Athletic Trainers, as provided in ORS 688.701 to 688.734;
- 29 (11) Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board, as pro-30 vided in ORS 688.800 to 688.840;
 - (12) Board of Cosmetology, as provided in ORS 690.005 to 690.235;
 - (13) Board of Body Art Practitioners, as provided in ORS 690.350 to 690.415;
 - (14) Board of Licensed Dietitians, as provided in ORS 691.405 to 691.485;
- 34 (15) Advisory Council on Hearing Aids, as provided in ORS 694.015 to 694.185;
- 35 (16) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, as provided 36 in ORS chapter 681;
 - (17) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, as provided in ORS chapter 684;
 - (18) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, as provided in ORS chapter 685;
- 39 (19) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board, as provided in ORS chapter 692; and
- 40 (20) Environmental Health Registration Board, as provided in ORS chapter 700.
- 41 **SECTION 2.** ORS 676.610 is amended to read:
- 42 676.610. (1)(a) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency is under the supervision and control of a 43 director, who is responsible for the performance of the duties, functions and powers and for the or-44 ganization of the agency.
 - (b) The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall establish the qual-

- ifications for and appoint the Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, who holds office at the pleasure of the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.
- (c) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall receive a salary as provided by law or, if not so provided, as prescribed by the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.
 - (d) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is in the unclassified service.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall provide the boards, councils and programs administered by the agency with such services and employees as the agency requires to carry out the agency's duties. Subject to any applicable provisions of the State Personnel Relations Law, the Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall appoint all subordinate officers and employees of the agency, prescribe their duties and fix their compensation.
- (3) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is responsible for carrying out the duties, functions and powers under ORS **675.010 to 675.150, 675.210 to 675.340,** 675.360 to 675.410, **675.510 to 675.600, 675.715 to 675.835, 675.992, 675.994,** 676.605 to 676.625, 676.992, 678.710 to 678.820, 680.500 to 680.565, 687.405 to 687.495, 687.895, **688.405 to 688.605,** 688.701 to 688.734, 688.800 to 688.840, **688.915,** 690.005 to 690.235, 690.350 to 690.415, 691.405 to 691.485 and 694.015 to 694.185 and ORS [chapter 700] chapters **681, 684, 685, 692 and 700**.
- (4) The enumeration of duties, functions and powers in subsection (3) of this section is not intended to be exclusive or to limit the duties, functions and powers imposed on or vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by other statutes.

SECTION 3. ORS 676.613 is amended to read:

- 676.613. (1) In addition to all other remedies, when it appears to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency that a person is engaged in, has engaged in or is about to engage in any act, practice or transaction that violates any provision of ORS **675.010 to 675.150, 675.210 to 675.340,** 675.360 to 675.410, **675.510 to 675.600, 675.715 to 675.835,** 676.617, 678.710 to 678.820, 680.500 to 680.565, 687.405 to 687.495, **688.405 to 688.605,** 688.701 to 688.734, 688.800 to 688.840, 690.005 to 690.235, 690.350 to 690.415, 691.405 to 691.485 or 694.015 to 694.185 or ORS [chapter 700] chapters **681, 684, 685, 692** or **700**, the agency may, through the Attorney General or the district attorney of the county in which the act, practice or transaction occurs or will occur, apply to the court for an injunction restraining the person from the act, practice or transaction.
- (2) A court may issue an injunction under this section without proof of actual damages. An injunction issued under this section does not relieve a person from any other prosecution or enforcement action taken for violation of statutes listed in subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 4. ORS 676.622 is amended to read:

- 676.622. (1) A transaction conducted through a state or local system or network that provides electronic access to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency information and services is exempt from any requirement under ORS **675.010** to **675.150**, **675.210** to **675.340**, 675.360 to 675.410, **675.510** to **675.600**, **675.715** to **675.835**, 676.605 to 676.625, 676.992, 680.500 to 680.565, 687.405 to 687.495, **688.405** to **688.605**, 688.701 to 688.734, 688.800 to 688.840, 690.005 to 690.235, 690.350 to 690.415, 691.405 to 691.485 and 694.015 to 694.185 and ORS [chapter 700] chapters **681**, **684**, **685**, **692** and **700**, and rules adopted thereunder, requiring an original signature or the submission of handwritten materials.
- (2) Electronic signatures subject to ORS 84.001 to 84.061 and facsimile signatures are acceptable and have the same force as original signatures.

SECTION 5. ORS 676.625 is amended to read:

676.625. (1) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall establish by rule and shall collect fees

and charges to carry out the agency's responsibilities under ORS 676.605 to 676.625 and 676.992 and any responsibility imposed on the agency pertaining to the boards, councils and programs administered and regulated by the agency pursuant to ORS 676.606.

- (2) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account is established in the General Fund of the State Treasury. The account shall consist of the moneys credited to the account by the Legislative Assembly. All moneys in the account are appropriated continuously to and shall be used by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for payment of expenses of the agency in carrying out the duties, functions and obligations of the agency, and for payment of the expenses of the boards, councils and programs administered and regulated by the agency pursuant to ORS 676.606. The agency shall keep a record of all moneys credited to the account and report the source from which the moneys are derived and the activity of each board, council or program that generated the moneys.
- (3) Subject to prior approval of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and a report to the Emergency Board prior to adopting fees and charges credited to the account, the fees and charges may not exceed the cost of administering the agency and the boards, councils and programs within the agency, as authorized by the Legislative Assembly within the agency's budget, as the budget may be modified by the Emergency Board.
- (4) All moneys credited to the account pursuant to ORS **675.140**, **675.330**, 675.405, **675.571**, **675.805**, 676.617, 680.525, **681.480**, **684.171**, **685.201**, 687.435, **688.585**, 688.728, 688.834, 690.235, 690.415, 691.479, **692.375**, 694.185 and 700.080, and moneys credited to the account from other agency and program fees established by the agency by rule, are continuously appropriated to the agency for carrying out the duties, functions and powers of the agency under ORS 676.605 to 676.625 and 676.992.
- (5) The moneys received from civil penalties assessed under ORS 676.992 shall be deposited and accounted for as are other moneys received by the agency and shall be for the administration and enforcement of the statutes governing the boards, councils and programs administered by the agency.

SECTION 6. ORS 676.992 is amended to read:

676.992. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, and in addition to any other penalty or remedy provided by law, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 for each violation of [the following statutes and any rule adopted thereunder:] ORS 675.010 to 675.150, 675.210 to 675.340, 675.360 to 675.410, 675.510 to 675.600, 675.715 to 675.835, 676.612, 676.617, 678.710 to 678.820, 680.500 to 680.565, 687.405 to 687.495, 688.405 to 688.605, 688.701 to 688.734, 688.800 to 688.840, 690.005 to 690.235, 690.350 to 690.415, 691.405 to 691.485 and 694.015 to 694.185, ORS chapters 681, 684, 685, 692 and 700 and any rule adopted under those provisions.

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[(a) ORS 688.701 to 688.734 (athletic training);]
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- [(b) ORS 690.005 to 690.235 (cosmetology);]
- [(c) ORS 680.500 to 680.565 (denture technology);]
- 39 [(d) ORS 687.405 to 687.495 (direct entry midwifery);]
- 40 [(e) ORS 690.350 to 690.415 (tattooing, electrolysis, body piercing, dermal implanting and scarification);]
 - [(f) ORS 694.015 to 694.185 (dealing in hearing aids);]
- 43 [(g) ORS 688.800 to 688.840 (respiratory therapy and polysomnography);]
- 44 [(h) ORS chapter 700 (environmental sanitation);]
- 45 [(i) ORS 676.617 (single facility licensure);]

- 1 [(j) ORS 675.360 to 675.410 (sex offender treatment);]
- 2 [(k) ORS 678.710 to 678.820 (nursing home administrators);]
- 3 [(L) ORS 691.405 to 691.485 (dietitians); and]
- [(m) ORS 676.612 (prohibited acts).]
 - (2) The agency may take any other disciplinary action that it finds proper, including but not limited to assessment of costs of disciplinary proceedings, not to exceed \$5,000, for violation of any statute listed in subsection (1) of this section or any rule adopted under any statute listed in subsection (1) of this section.
 - (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not limit the amount of the civil penalty resulting from a violation of ORS 694.042.
 - (4) In imposing a civil penalty pursuant to this section, the agency shall consider the following factors:
 - (a) The immediacy and extent to which the violation threatens the public health or safety;
 - (b) Any prior violations of statutes, rules or orders;
 - (c) The history of the person incurring a penalty in taking all feasible steps to correct any violation; and
 - (d) Any other aggravating or mitigating factors.
 - (5) Civil penalties under this section shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.
 - (6) The moneys received by the agency from civil penalties under this section shall be paid into the General Fund of the State Treasury and credited to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account established under ORS 676.625. Such moneys are continuously appropriated to the agency for the administration and enforcement of the laws the agency is charged with administering and enforcing that govern the person against whom the penalty was imposed.

FINAL ORDER AUTHORITY

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<u>SECTION 6a.</u> The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall delegate final order authority in contested case hearings as follows:

- (1) To the State Board of Psychologist Examiners for purposes related to the practice of psychology under ORS 675.010 to 675.150;
- (2) To the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board for purposes related to occupational therapy under ORS 675.210 to 675.340;
- (3) To the Sex Offender Treatment Board for purposes related to sex offender therapy under ORS 675.360 to 675.410;
- (4) To the State Board of Licensed Social Workers for purposes related to social work under ORS 675.510 to 675.600, 675.992 and 675.994;
- (5) To the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists for purposes related to professional counseling or marriage and family therapy under ORS 675.715 to 675.835;
- (6) To the Nursing Home Administrators Board for purposes related to nursing home administration under ORS 678.710 to 678.820;
- (7) To the State Board of Denture Technology for purposes related to the practice of denture technology under ORS 680.500 to 680.565;
- (8) To the State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery for purposes related to the practice of direct entry midwifery under ORS 687.405 to 687.495;

- (9) To the Board of Medical Imaging for purposes related to medical imaging under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 and 688.915;
- 3 (10) To the Board of Athletic Trainers for purposes related to athletic training under ORS 688.701 to 688.734;
 - (11) To the Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board for purposes related to respiratory care and polysomnography under ORS 688.800 to 688.840;
 - (12) To the Board of Cosmetology for purposes related to cosmetology under ORS 690.005 to 690.235;
 - (13) To the Board of Body Art Practitioners for purposes related to tattooing, body piercing, electrolysis, dermal implanting or scarification under ORS 690.350 to 690.415;
 - (14) To the Board of Licensed Dietitians for purposes related to the practice of dietetics under ORS 691.405 to 691.485;
 - (15) To the Advisory Council on Hearing Aids for purposes related to dealing in hearing aids under ORS 694.015 to 694.185;
 - (16) To the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for purposes related to speech-language pathology or audiology under ORS chapter 681;
 - (17) To the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for purposes related to the practice of chiropractic under ORS chapter 684;
 - (18) To the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine for purposes related to naturopathic medicine under ORS chapter 685;
 - (19) To the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board for purposes related to services rendered under ORS chapter 692; and
 - (20) To the Environmental Health Registration Board for purposes related to environmental or waste water sanitation under ORS chapter 700.

SECTION 6b. ORS 676.612 is amended to read:

- 676.612. (1) In the manner prescribed in ORS chapter 183 for contested cases [and as specified in ORS 675.385, 678.780, 680.535, 687.445, 688.734, 688.836, 690.167, 690.407, 691.477, 694.147 and 700.111], the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, subject to section 6a of this 2013 Act, may refuse to issue or renew, may suspend or revoke or may otherwise condition or limit a certificate, license, permit or registration to practice issued by the agency or may discipline or place on probation a holder of a certificate, license, permit or registration for commission of the prohibited acts listed in subsection (2) of this section.
- (2) A person subject to the authority of a board, council or program listed in ORS 676.606 commits a prohibited act if the person engages in:
- (a) Fraud, misrepresentation, concealment of material facts or deception in applying for or obtaining an authorization to practice in this state, or in any written or oral communication to the agency concerning the issuance or retention of the authorization.
- (b) Using, causing or promoting the use of any advertising matter, promotional literature, testimonial, guarantee, warranty, label, insignia or any other representation, however disseminated or published, that is false, misleading or deceptive.
- (c) Making a representation that the certificate, license, permit or registration holder knew or should have known is false or misleading regarding skill or the efficacy or value of treatment or remedy administered by the holder.
- (d) Practicing under a false, misleading or deceptive name, or impersonating another certificate, license, permit or registration holder.

- (e) Permitting a person other than the certificate, license, permit or registration holder to use the certificate, license, permit or registration.
- (f) Practicing with a physical or mental condition that presents an unreasonable risk of harm to the holder of a certificate, license, permit or registration or to the person or property of others in the course of performing the holder's duties.
- (g) Practicing while under the influence of alcohol, controlled substances or other skill-impairing substances, or engaging in the illegal use of controlled substances or other skill-impairing substances so as to create a risk of harm to the person or property of others in the course of performing the duties of a holder of a certificate, license, permit or registration.
 - (h) Failing to properly and reasonably accept responsibility for the actions of employees.
- (i) Employing, directly or indirectly, any suspended, uncertified, unlicensed or unregistered person to practice a regulated occupation or profession subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606.
- (j) Unprofessional conduct, negligence, incompetence, repeated violations or any departure from or failure to conform to standards of practice in performing services or practicing in a regulated occupation or profession subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed under ORS 676.606.
- (k) Conviction of any criminal offense, subject to ORS 670.280. A copy of the record of conviction, certified by the clerk of the court entering the conviction, is conclusive evidence of the conviction. A plea of no contest or an admission of guilt shall be considered a conviction for purposes of this paragraph.
- (L) Failing to report any adverse action, as required by statute or rule, taken against the certificate, license, permit or registration holder by another regulatory jurisdiction or any peer review body, health care institution, professional association, governmental agency, law enforcement agency or court for acts or conduct similar to acts or conduct that would constitute grounds for disciplinary action as described in this section.
- (m) Violation of a statute regulating an occupation or profession subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606.
- (n) Violation of any rule regulating an occupation or profession subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606.
- (o) Failing to cooperate with the agency in any investigation, inspection or request for information.
- (p) Selling or fraudulently obtaining or furnishing any certificate, license, permit or registration to practice in a regulated occupation or profession subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606, or aiding or abetting such an act.
- (q) Selling or fraudulently obtaining or furnishing any record related to practice in a regulated occupation or profession subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606, or aiding or abetting such an act.
- (r) Failing to pay an outstanding civil penalty or fee that is due or failing to meet the terms of any order issued by the agency that has become final.
- (3) For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534, the agency may require the fingerprints of a person who is:
 - (a) Applying for a certificate, license, permit or registration that is issued by the agency;
- (b) Applying for renewal of a certificate, license, permit or registration that is issued by the agency; or

- (c) Under investigation by the agency.
- (4) If the agency places a holder of a certificate, license, permit or registration on probation under subsection (1) of this section, the agency, in consultation with the appropriate board, council or program, may determine and at any time modify the conditions of the probation.
- (5) If a certificate, license, permit or registration is suspended, the holder may not practice during the term of suspension. Upon the expiration of the term of suspension, the certificate, license, permit or registration may be reinstated by the agency if the conditions of suspension no longer exist and the holder has satisfied all requirements in the relevant statutes or administrative rules for issuance, renewal or reinstatement.

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INVESTIGATIONS BY OREGON HEALTH LICENSING AGENCY

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SECTION 7. Sections 8 and 9 of this 2013 Act are added to and made a part of ORS 676.605 to 676.625.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> (1) Except to the extent that disclosure is necessary to conduct a full and proper investigation, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may not disclose information, including complaints and information identifying complainants, obtained by the agency as part of an investigation conducted under:

- (a) ORS 675.010 to 675.150, 675.210 to 675.340, 675.360 to 675.410, 675.510 to 675.600, 675.715 to 675.835, 678.710 to 678.820, 680.500 to 680.565, 687.405 to 687.495, 688.405 to 688.605, 688.701 to 688.734, 688.800 to 688.840 or 691.405 to 691.485 or ORS chapters 681, 684, 685, 692 or 700.
 - (b) ORS 676.605 to 676.625 if the investigation is related to the regulation of:
 - (A) The practice of psychology under ORS 675.010 to 675.150;
 - (B) Occupational therapy under ORS 675.210 to 675.340;
 - (C) Sex offender therapy under ORS 675.360 to 675.410;
- (D) Social work under ORS 675.510 to 675.600;
- (E) Professional counseling or marriage and family therapy under ORS 675.715 to 675.835;
 - (F) Nursing home administration under ORS 678.710 to 678.820;
- (G) The practice of denture technology under ORS 680.500 to 680.565;
- 32 (H) The practice of direct entry midwifery under ORS 687.405 to 687.495;
 - (I) Medical imaging under ORS 688.405 to 688.605;
 - (J) Athletic training under ORS 688.701 to 688.734;
- 35 (K) Respiratory care and polysomnography under ORS 688.800 to 688.840;
- 36 (L) The practice of dietetics under ORS 691.405 to 691.485;
 - (M) Speech-language pathology or audiology under ORS chapter 681;
- 38 (N) The practice of chiropractic under ORS chapter 684;
- 39 (O) Naturopathic medicine under ORS chapter 685;
 - (P) Services rendered under ORS chapter 692; or
 - (Q) Environmental or waste water sanitation under ORS chapter 700.
 - (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, if the agency decides not to impose a disciplinary sanction after conducting an investigation described in subsection (1) of this section:
 - (a) The agency shall disclose information obtained as part of the investigation if the

person requesting the information demonstrates by clear and convincing evidence that the public interest in disclosure outweighs other interests in nondisclosure, including the public interest in nondisclosure.

- (b) The agency may disclose to a complainant who made a complaint related to the investigation a written summary of information obtained as part of the investigation to the extent that disclosure is necessary to explain the agency's decision. The person who is the subject of the investigation may review and obtain a copy of a written summary disclosed under this paragraph after the agency has redacted any information identifying the complainant.
- (3) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, if the agency decides to impose a disciplinary sanction after conducting an investigation described in subsection (1) of this section, upon written request by the person who is the subject of the investigation, the agency shall disclose to the person all information obtained by the agency during the investigation, except that the agency may not disclose:
 - (a) Information that is otherwise privileged or confidential under state or federal law.
- (b) Information identifying a person who provided information that led to the investigation, unless the person will provide testimony at a hearing arising out of the investigation.
 - (c) Information identifying a complainant.
 - (d) Reports of expert witnesses.

- (4) Information disclosed to a person under subsection (3) of this section may be further disclosed by the person only to the extent that disclosure is necessary to prepare for a hearing arising out of the investigation.
 - (5) The agency shall disclose:
 - (a) Any notice related to the imposition of a disciplinary sanction;
 - (b) A final order related to the imposition of a disciplinary sanction;
- (c) An emergency suspension order;
- (d) A consent order or stipulated agreement that involves the conduct of a person against whom discipline is sought; and
 - (e) Information to further an investigation into board conduct under ORS 192.685.
- (6) A final order related to the imposition of a disciplinary sanction, an emergency suspension order or a consent order or stipulated agreement that involves the conduct of a person against whom discipline is sought must summarize the factual basis for the agency's disposition of the matter.
- (7) An agency record or order, or any part of an agency record or order, obtained during an investigation described under subsection (1) of this section or during a contested case proceeding, or as a result of entering into a consent order or stipulated agreement, is not admissible as evidence and may not preclude an issue or claim in a civil proceeding except in a proceeding between the agency and a person against whom discipline is sought as otherwise allowed by law.
- (8)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the agency does not publicly disclose information when the agency permits other public officials and members of the press to attend executive sessions where information obtained as part of an investigation is discussed. Public officials and members of the press attending such executive sessions shall not disclose information obtained as part of an investigation to any other member of the public.
 - (b) For purposes of this subsection, "public official" means a member or member-elect,

or any member of the staff or an employee, of a public entity as defined by ORS 676.177.

- (9) The agency may establish fees reasonably calculated to reimburse the actual cost of disclosing information to a person against whom discipline is sought as required by subsection (3) of this section.
- SECTION 9. (1) Notwithstanding section 8 of this 2013 Act, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, upon a determination by the agency that it possesses information that reasonably relates to the regulatory or enforcement function of another public entity, may disclose information to the other public entity.
- (2) A public entity that receives information pursuant to subsection (1) of this section must agree to take all reasonable steps to maintain the confidentiality of the information, except that the public entity may use or disclose the information to the extent necessary to carry out the regulatory or enforcement functions of the public entity.
- (3) For purposes of this section, "public entity" has the meaning given that term in ORS 676.177.

SECTION 10. ORS 676.609 is amended to read:

676.609. [(1) If the Oregon Health Licensing Agency intends to disclose a record pursuant to ORS 676.608, the agency shall:]

- [(a) Send a notice of the intended disclosure to the person who is the subject of a complaint or an investigation by first class mail at least 14 days before the disclosure date; and]
- [(b) Describe in the notice the type of record being disclosed in sufficient detail to allow the person who is the subject of a complaint or an investigation to understand the contents of the record that the agency intends to disclose.]
- [(2) The agency shall disclose information obtained as part of an investigation of a person charged if another person requesting the information demonstrates by clear and convincing evidence that the public interest in disclosure outweighs other interests in nondisclosure, including but not limited to the public interest in nondisclosure.]
- (1) Upon request, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall disclose to a person against whom disciplinary action is sought information, including complaints and information identifying complainants, but not including information that is otherwise privileged or confidential under state or federal law, obtained by the agency as part of an investigation conducted under:
 - (a) ORS 690.005 to 690.235, 690.350 to 690.415 or 694.015 to 694.185.
 - (b) ORS 676.605 to 676.625 if the investigation is related to the regulation of:
 - (A) ORS 690.005 to 690.235;
 - (B) ORS 690.350 to 690.415; or
 - (C) ORS 694.015 to 694.185.
- (2) The agency shall disclose information obtained as part of an investigation described in subsection (1) of this section to a person who demonstrates by clear and convincing evidence that the public interest in disclosure outweighs other interests in nondisclosure, including the public interest in nondisclosure.

(Investigations)

SECTION 11. ORS 676.608 is amended to read:

45 676.608. [(1) As used in this section:]

- [(a) "Holder" means a person who holds a certificate, license, permit or registration to practice issued by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.]
 - [(b) "Public entity" has the meaning given that term in ORS 676.177.]
- [(2)(a)] (1)(a) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall carry out all investigatory duties relating to matters subject to the authority of the agency or the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606.
- (b) Upon its own motion, the agency may initiate and conduct investigations of matters relating to the practice of occupations or professions subject to the authority of the boards, councils and programs listed in ORS 676.606.
- (c) When the agency receives a complaint by [any] **a** person [against a holder], the agency shall investigate the complaint as provided in ORS 676.165.
- [(3)] (2) While conducting an investigation authorized under subsection [(2)] (1) of this section or a hearing related to an investigation, the agency may:
 - (a) Take evidence;

- (b) Administer oaths;
- (c) Take the depositions of witnesses, including the person charged;
- (d) Compel the appearance of witnesses, including the person charged;
- (e) Require answers to interrogatories;
- (f) Compel the production of books, papers, accounts, documents and testimony pertaining to the matter under investigation; and
- (g) Conduct criminal and civil background checks to determine conviction of a crime that bears a demonstrable relationship to the field of practice.
- [(4)] (3) In exercising its authority under this section, the agency may issue subpoenas over the signature of the Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or designated employee [thereof] of the director and in the name of the State of Oregon.
- [(5)] (4) If a person fails to comply with a subpoena issued under this section, the judge of the Circuit Court for Marion County may compel obedience by initiating proceedings for contempt as in the case of disobedience of the requirements of a subpoena issued from the court.
- [(6)] (5) If necessary, the director, or an employee designated by the director, may appear before a magistrate empowered to issue warrants in criminal cases to request that the magistrate issue a warrant. The magistrate shall issue a warrant, directing it to any sheriff or deputy or police officer, to enter the described property, to remove any person or obstacle, to defend any threatened violence to the director or a designee of the director or an officer, upon entering private property, or to assist the director in enforcing the agency's authority in any way.
- [(7) In all investigations and hearings, the agency and any person affected thereby may have the benefit of counsel.]
- [(8) If a holder who is the subject of a complaint or an investigation is to appear before the agency, the agency shall provide the holder with a current summary of the complaint or the matter being investigated not less than 10 days before the date that the holder is to appear. At the time the summary of the complaint or the matter being investigated is provided, the agency shall provide the holder with a current summary of documents or alleged facts that the agency has acquired as a result of the investigation. The name of the complainant may be withheld from the holder.]
- [(9) A holder who is the subject of an investigation, and any person acting on behalf of the holder, may not contact the complainant until the holder has requested a contested case hearing and the agency has authorized the taking of the complainant's deposition pursuant to ORS 183.425.]

- [(10) Except in an investigation or proceeding conducted by the agency or another public entity, or in an action, suit or proceeding in which a public entity is a party, a holder may not be questioned or examined regarding any communication with the agency made in an appearance before the agency as part of an investigation.]
- [(11) This section does not prohibit examination or questioning of a holder regarding records about the holder's care and treatment of a patient or affect the admissibility of those records.]
- (6) Except for purposes of complying with ORS 694.036 and 694.042, the person who is the subject of an investigation described under ORS 676.609 (1), or a person who is acting on behalf of the subject, may not contact a complainant whose complaint is related to the investigation until the subject has requested a contested case hearing and the agency has authorized the taking of the complainant's deposition under ORS 183.425.

(Conforming Amendments for Boards Currently under Oregon Health Licensing Agency Oversight)

SECTION 12. ORS 675.385 is amended to read:

675.385. (1) In the manner prescribed in ORS chapter 183 for contested cases, and [at the direction of] in consultation with the Sex Offender Treatment Board, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose a form of discipline listed in ORS 676.612 against any certified sex offender therapist for any of the grounds listed in ORS 676.612 and for any violation of the provisions of ORS 675.360 to 675.410, or the rules adopted thereunder.

- (2) The agency may impose disciplinary sanctions against a certified sex offender therapist for any of the following reasons:
- (a) The person was convicted of violating ORS 675.390, or of a felony or misdemeanor that brings into question the person's competence or integrity as a certified sex offender therapist.
- (b) The person's mental health professional license, or equivalent license, has been revoked, suspended or restricted by the issuing authority.
- (c) The person has violated ORS 675.370 (3) to (5), or any rules adopted by the agency pertaining to certification.
- (d) The person has failed to file or has filed a false, misleading or incomplete professional disclosure statement with the agency.
 - (e) The person has practiced beyond the scope of the person's agency-issued certification.

SECTION 13. ORS 678.725 is amended to read:

678.725. (1)(a) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, any health care facility licensed under ORS 441.015, any licensee licensed by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, any physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board, any licensed professional nurse and any licensed pharmacist shall report to the agency suspected violations of ORS 678.710 to 678.820 and unsanitary or other unsatisfactory conditions in a nursing home.

- (b) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, a licensee licensed under ORS 678.710 to 678.820 who has reasonable cause to believe that a licensee of any board as defined in ORS 676.150 has engaged in prohibited conduct as defined in ORS 676.150 shall report the prohibited conduct in the manner provided in ORS 676.150.
 - (c) Any person may report to the agency suspected violations of ORS 678.710 to 678.820 or un-

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- [(2) Information acquired by the agency pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is confidential and is not subject to public disclosure.]
- [(3)] (2) Any person who reports or provides information to the agency under subsection (1) of this section and who provides information in good faith may not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result of making the report or providing the information.

SECTION 14. ORS 678.820 is amended to read:

- 8 678.820. (1) The Nursing Home Administrators Board is responsible for advising the Oregon 9 Health Licensing Agency in all matters relating to the administration of ORS 678.710 to 678.820, 10 including:
 - (a) Developing standards for education and training;
 - (b) Developing standards of practice and professional conduct;
 - (c) Establishing standards related to the issuance, denial, revocation, suspension or renewal of licenses to practice as a nursing home administrator;
 - (d) Preparing or approving the examinations required under ORS 678.710 to 678.820, in accordance with standards provided by the agency; and
 - (e) Assisting the agency in administering the provisions of ORS 678.710 to 678.820.
 - (2) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall administer ORS 678.710 to 678.820 by:
 - (a) Determining the qualifications and fitness of applicants for licenses, renewed licenses, reciprocal licenses and provisional licenses under ORS 678.710 to 678.820.
 - (b) Examining, approving, issuing, denying, revoking, suspending and renewing licenses to practice as a nursing home administrator.
 - (c) Providing for waivers of examinations or provisional licenses.
 - (d) Establishing and carrying out procedures to ensure compliance with professional standards adopted by the board.
 - (e) [Pursuant to ORS 676.608, receiving and] Investigating complaints [filed] regarding nursing home administrators.
 - (f) Establishing and collecting fees and charges to carry out the agency's duties under ORS 678.710 to 678.820.
 - (g) In accordance with ORS 183.330 and 676.615, adopting, amending and repealing rules that are necessary to carry out the administration of ORS 678.710 to 678.820.
 - (h) Maintaining a register of all licensed nursing home administrators.
 - (3) The agency shall consider and be guided by the recommendations of the board in all matters relating to the administration of ORS 678.710 to 678.820.

SECTION 15. ORS 687.490 is amended to read:

- 687.490. [(1) Any information provided to the State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under ORS 687.445 is confidential and is not subject to public disclosure or admissible as evidence in any judicial proceeding.]
- [(2) Any person who in good faith provides information to the board or the agency is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.]

A person who in good faith provides information to the State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for purposes related to an investigation conducted under ORS 676.605 to 676.625, if the investigation is related to the regulation of direct entry midwifery, or ORS 687.405 to 687.495 is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result of providing the information.

SECTION 16. ORS 690.167 is amended to read:

690.167. In the manner prescribed in ORS chapter 183 for contested cases [and at the direction of the Board of Cosmetology], the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose a form of discipline listed in ORS 676.612 against any person practicing barbering, hair design, esthetics or nail technology for any of the grounds listed in ORS 676.612 and for any violation of the provisions of ORS 690.005 to 690.235, or the rules adopted thereunder.

STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGIST EXAMINERS

(Transfer)

SECTION 17. The duties, functions and powers of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 24 to 36 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

SECTION 18. (1) The State Board of Psychologist Examiners shall:

- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act; and
- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the State Board of Psychologist Examiners and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

(Unexpended Revenues)

SECTION 19. (1) The State Board of Psychologist Examiners Account is abolished.

- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners remain applicable to expenditures

by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

3 (Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

 SECTION 20. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 17 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the State Board of Psychologist Examiners in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 21. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 17 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 22. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 17 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 17 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners to the State Board of Psychologist Examiners or an officer or employee of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 23. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the State Board of Psychologist Examiners, or an officer or employee of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 17 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 24. ORS 675.030, as amended by section 4, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:

675.030. (1) Upon application for licensure accompanied by the established fee, the [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a psychologist license to an applicant who performs to the satisfaction of the [board] State Board of Psychologist Examiners in examinations prescribed by the board and furnishes evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency that the applicant:

- (a) Has complied with all applicable provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150 and the applicable rules of the board;
 - (b) Holds a doctoral degree in psychology from an approved doctoral program in psychology;
 - (c) Has satisfactorily completed courses and training required by the board;
 - (d) Has had two years of supervised employment in the field of psychology:
- (A) Under the direction of a psychologist licensed in Oregon or under the direction of a person considered by the board to have equivalent supervisory competence; or
 - (B) In the military; and

- (e) Is of good moral character. For purposes of this section, the lack of good moral character may be established by reference to acts or conduct that reflect moral turpitude or to acts or conduct that would cause a reasonable person to have substantial doubts about the individual's honesty, fairness and respect for the rights of others and for the laws of the state and the nation. The conduct or acts in question must be rationally connected to the applicant's fitness to practice psychology.
- (2) The board shall adopt rules by which a person receiving post-doctoral supervision during the application process may enter into a contract to practice psychology under the supervision of a licensed psychologist, psychologist associate or a person considered by the board to have equivalent supervisory competence. An applicant who enters such a contract shall be designated as a psychologist resident or a psychologist associate resident, accordingly, and shall be subject to ORS 675.010 to 675.150.

SECTION 25. ORS 675.050 is amended to read:

675.050. (1) Upon application for licensure accompanied by the established fee, the [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** may issue a license, without national examination, to any applicant who furnishes evidence satisfactory to the [board] **agency** that the applicant:

- (a) Holds a doctoral degree from an approved doctoral program in psychology and is licensed or certified to practice psychology in another state in which the requirements for such licensing or certification are, in the judgment of the [board] agency, essentially equivalent to licensing requirements of ORS 675.010 to 675.150 and the rules of the [board] State Board of Psychologist Examiners;
 - (b) Is a diplomate in good standing of the American Board of Professional Psychology;
- (c) Is licensed in a jurisdiction that is a party to a licensing reciprocity agreement with the State of Oregon and meets the requirements for reciprocity in the agreement;
- (d) Possesses a valid Certificate of Professional Qualification granted by the Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards or is credentialed as a Health Service Provider in Psychology by the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology; or
- (e)(A) Possesses and has maintained for at least 15 years a license to practice psychology that is based on a doctoral degree and that is issued by a board that is a member jurisdiction of the

1 Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards; and

- (B) Meets other requirements established by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners.
- (2) The State Board of Psychologist Examiners shall adopt by rule and administer an examination on Oregon law to an applicant described in subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 26. ORS 675.063 is amended to read:

675.063. Upon application therefor and payment of the required fee, the [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may issue a limited permit to practice as a psychologist to an applicant holding a certificate or license to practice psychology issued by another state whose requirements are, in the judgment of the [board] agency, essentially equivalent to those required by ORS 675.010 to 675.150 and rules adopted by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners. The limited permit shall be valid for a period of not more than 180 calendar days in any 24-month period.

SECTION 27. ORS 675.065 is amended to read:

675.065. (1) The [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue psychologist associate licenses to applicants who meet requirements of this section, do not possess a doctoral degree, and are deemed competent, as established by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners by rule, to perform certain functions within the practice of psychology under the periodic direct supervision of a psychologist licensed by the [board] agency. Such functions may include but are not restricted to administering tests of mental abilities, conducting personality assessments and counseling, including educational and vocational planning.

- (2) The applicant shall pay to the [board] agency the application fee for a license.
- (3) Upon petition by a psychologist associate, the **agency, upon recommendation of the** board, may grant authority to function without immediate supervision.
- (4) Upon application therefor accompanied by the fee established by the board, the [board] agency shall issue a psychologist associate license to any applicant who performs to the satisfaction of the board in the examinations prescribed by the board if the [board] agency determines that the applicant:
 - (a) Is of good moral character;
 - (b) Has complied with all the applicable provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150;
- (c) Has received a master's degree in psychology from a psychology program approved by the board by rule;
- (d) Has completed an internship in an approved educational institution or one year of other training experience [acceptable to] as established by the board by rule, such as supervised professional experience under the direction of a psychologist licensed in Oregon, or under the direction of a person considered by the [board] agency to have equivalent supervisory competence; and
- (e) Furnishes proof acceptable to the [board] agency of at least 36 months, exclusive of internship, of full-time experience satisfactory to the [board] agency under the direct supervision of a licensed psychologist in Oregon, or under the direct supervision of a person considered by the [board] agency to have equivalent supervisory competence.

SECTION 28. ORS 675.070 is amended to read:

675.070. (1) Where any of the grounds [enumerated] in subsection (2) of this section exist, the [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Board, in addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, may impose any of the following sanctions:

- (a) Deny a license to any applicant;
- (b) Refuse to renew the license of any psychologist or psychologist associate;

- (c) Suspend the license of any psychologist or psychologist associate for a period of not less than one year;
 - (d) Issue a letter of reprimand;

- (e) Impose probation with authority to restrict the scope of practice of a psychologist or psychologist associate or require practice under supervision;
 - (f) Revoke the license of any psychologist or psychologist associate; or
 - (g) Impose a civil penalty as set forth in subsection (3) of this section.
 - (2) Grounds exist for imposition of any of the sanctions [enumerated] in subsection (1) of this section against any psychologist or psychologist associate or applicant, or, where applicable, any unlicensed person found in violation of ORS 675.010 to 675.150, when, in the judgment of the [board] agency, the person:
 - (a) Has an impairment as defined in ORS 676.303;
 - (b) Has been convicted of violation of any law relating to controlled substances;
 - (c) Has been convicted of any felony or of any misdemeanor involving moral turpitude;
 - (d) Is guilty of immoral or unprofessional conduct or of gross negligence in the practice of psychology which includes but is not limited to:
 - (A) Any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standard of ethics of the psychological profession or any conduct or practice that constitutes a danger to the health or safety of a patient or the public, or any conduct, practice or condition that adversely affects a psychologist or psychologist associate's ability to practice psychology safely and skillfully.
 - (B) Willful ordering or performing of unnecessary tests or studies, administration of unnecessary treatment, failure to obtain consultations or perform referrals when failing to do so is not consistent with the standard of care, or otherwise ordering or performing any psychological service or treatment which is contrary to recognized standards of practice of the psychological profession;
 - (e) Has practiced or attempted to practice medicine without being licensed to do so;
 - (f) Has obtained or attempted to obtain a license under ORS 675.010 to 675.150 by fraud or material misrepresentation;
 - (g) Has impersonated a licensed psychologist or psychologist associate or has allowed another person to use the license of the psychologist;
 - (h) Has violated any provision of ORS 675.010 to 675.150 or any provision of the code of professional conduct formulated under ORS 675.110 [(12)] (1)(d); or
 - (i) Has obtained a fee or payment from a patient or third party payer through fraud or intentional misrepresentation.
 - (3) [The board] In addition to any other remedy or penalty authorized by law, the agency may impose a civil penalty under subsection (1) of this section:
 - (a) In an amount not to exceed \$5,000; or
 - (b) In an amount not to exceed \$10,000, if any of the following conditions exist:
 - (A) The conduct giving rise to the penalty had a serious detrimental effect on the health or safety of another person;
 - (B) The person subject to the penalty has a history of discipline for the same or similar conduct;
 - (C) The conduct giving rise to the penalty involves a willful or reckless disregard of the law;
 - (D) The conduct giving rise to the penalty was perpetrated against a minor, an elderly person or a person with a disability; or
 - (E) The person subject to the penalty violated ORS 675.020 by practicing psychology or representing that the person is a psychologist without having a license.

- (4) In case of any conviction required under subsection (2) of this section as grounds for denial, refusal, suspension, revocation, reprimand, probation or imposition of a civil penalty, a certified copy of the record of the conviction shall be conclusive evidence.
- (5) The [board] agency may license an applicant or renew or restore any license suspended or revoked under subsection (2)(a) of this section due to a mental health condition if the [board] agency determines that the applicant or former licensed psychologist or former psychologist associate no longer has an impairment due to a mental health condition.
- (6) License suspension or revocation in another state is grounds for license denial or disciplinary action by the [board] agency.

SECTION 29. ORS 675.075 is amended to read:

- 675.075. (1) Any information that the **Oregon Health Licensing Agency obtains under ORS 675.070 or the** State Board of Psychologist Examiners obtains under ORS [675.070 or] 675.085 is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) Any person who in good faith provides information to the **agency or** board shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.

SECTION 30. ORS 675.085 is amended to read:

- 675.085. (1) Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 675.010 to 675.150, the State Board of Psychologist Examiners shall report the complaint to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency and the agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.
- (2) Where the [board] **agency** proposes to refuse to issue a license or to impose any disciplinary action under ORS 675.070, opportunity for hearing shall be accorded as provided in ORS chapter 183. The [board] **agency** shall render its decision within 30 days after the hearing.
- [(3) Adoption of rules, conduct of hearings, issuance of orders and judicial review of rules and orders shall be as provided in ORS chapter 183.]

SECTION 31. ORS 675.087 is amended to read:

675.087. The lapse, suspension or revocation of a license issued under ORS 675.010 to 675.150 by the operation of law, by order of the [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** or by the decision of a court of law, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee, does not deprive the [board] **agency** of jurisdiction to proceed with any investigation of or any action or disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to revise or render null and void an order suspending or revoking the license.

SECTION 32. ORS 675.110 is amended to read:

- 675.110. (1) The State Board of Psychologist Examiners shall have the following powers, in addition to the powers otherwise granted under ORS 675.010 to 675.150, and shall have all powers necessary or proper to carry the granted powers into effect:
 - [(1)] (a) To determine qualifications of applicants to practice psychology in this state;
- (b) To cause to have examinations prepared, conducted and graded [and to grant licensing to qualified applicants upon their compliance with the provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150 and the rules of the board].
- [(2) To grant or deny renewal of licenses, and to renew licenses which have lapsed for nonpayment of the renewal fee, subject to the provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150.]
 - [(3) To suspend or revoke licenses, subject to ORS 675.010 to 675.150.]
- [(4) To issue letters of reprimand, to impose probationary periods with the authority to restrict the scope of practice of a licensed psychologist or to require practice under supervision.]
 - [(5) To impose civil penalties as provided in ORS 675.070.]

- 1 [(6) To restore licenses which have been suspended or revoked or voided by nonpayment of the re-2 newal fee.]
- 3 [(7)(a) To collect fees for application, examination and licensing of applicants, for renewal of li-4 censes, and for issuance of limited permits, such fees to be used to defray the expenses of the board 5 as provided in ORS 675.140.]
 - [(b) The board may collect a delinquent renewal fee for licenses renewed after the deadline for renewal but before the grace period for renewal has expired.]
 - [(8) To investigate alleged violations of ORS 675.010 to 675.150.]
 - [(9) To issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses, take testimony, administer oaths or affirmations to witnesses, conduct hearings, require the production of relevant documents in all proceedings pertaining to the duties and powers of the board.]
 - [(10)] **(b)** [To enforce ORS 675.010 to 675.150 and] To exercise general supervision over the practice of psychology in this state.
 - [(11)] (c) To adopt a common seal.

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- [(12)] (d) To formulate a code of professional conduct for the practice of psychology giving particular consideration to the Ethical Standards of Psychologists promulgated by the American Psychological Association.
- [(13)] (e) To establish standards of service and training and educational qualifications for the rendering of ethical psychological services in this state, including the formulation of standards for the issuance of licenses for areas of special competence.
- [(14)] (f) To formulate [and enforce] continuing education requirements for duly licensed psychologists to ensure the highest quality of professional services to the public.
- [(15) To deny renewal of a license, or renewal of a license that has lapsed for nonpayment of the renewal fee, unless the applicant completes, or provides documentation of previous completion of:]
- [(a) A pain management education program approved by the board and developed in conjunction with the Pain Management Commission established under ORS 413.570; or]
 - [(b) An equivalent pain management education program, as determined by the board.]
- [(16) For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534, to require the fingerprints of a person who is:]
 - [(a) Applying for a license that is issued by the board;]
 - [(b) Applying for renewal of a license that is issued by the board; or]
 - [(c) Under investigation by the board.]
- [(17)] (g) Subject to the applicable provisions of ORS chapter 183, to adopt fees and reasonable rules to carry out the provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150.
- (2) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall have the following powers in addition to powers otherwise granted under ORS 675.010 to 675.150 or necessary to carry out the agency's duties under ORS 675.010 to 675.150:
- (a) To grant licenses to qualified applicants upon compliance with the provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150 and the rules of the board.
- (b) To grant or deny renewal of licenses, and to renew licenses that have lapsed for nonpayment of the renewal fee, subject to the provisions of ORS 675.010 to 675.150.
 - (c) To suspend or revoke licenses, subject to ORS 675.010 to 675.150.
- (d) To issue letters of reprimand, to impose probationary periods with the authority to restrict the scope of practice of a licensed psychologist or to require practice under supervision.

(e) To impose civil penalties as provided in ORS 675.070.

- (f) To restore licenses that have been suspended or revoked or voided by nonpayment of the renewal fee.
- (g) To collect fees for application, examination and licensing of applicants, for renewal of licenses, and for issuance of limited permits.
- (h) To collect a delinquent renewal fee for licenses renewed after the deadline for renewal but before the grace period for renewal has expired.
 - (i) To investigate alleged violations of ORS 675.010 to 675.150.
- (j) To deny renewal of a license, or renewal of a license that has lapsed for nonpayment of the renewal fee, unless the applicant completes, or provides documentation of previous completion of:
- (A) A pain management education program approved by the board and developed in conjunction with the Pain Management Commission established under ORS 413.570; or
 - (B) An equivalent pain management education program, as determined by the board. **SECTION 33.** ORS 675.115 is amended to read:

675.115. Subject to prior approval of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and a report to the Emergency Board prior to adopting the fees [and charges], the fees [and charges established] adopted under ORS 675.110 shall not exceed the cost of administering [the regulatory program of the State Board of Psychologist Examiners pertaining to the purpose for which the fee or charge is established, as authorized by the Legislative Assembly within the board's budget, as the budget may be modified by the Emergency Board] 675.010 to 675.150.

SECTION 34. ORS 675.130 is amended to read:

- 675.130. (1) The State Board of Psychologist Examiners shall select one of its members as chairperson, and another as vice chairperson, for such terms and with such powers and duties necessary for the performance of the functions of such offices as the board shall determine.
 - (2) A majority of the board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.
- (3) The board shall meet at least once a year at a place, day and hour determined by the board. The board shall also meet at such other times and places as are specified by the call of the chair-person, or of a majority of the members of the board or of the Governor.
- (4) The executive director of the board shall maintain records of all board proceedings under ORS 675.010 to 675.150.
- (5) The executive director shall maintain a register of all living psychologists licensed under ORS 675.010 to 675.150, showing their names, their last-known business addresses, their last-known residential addresses, and the dates and numbers of their licenses. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall provide the executive director with all information necessary for the administration of this subsection.

SECTION 35. ORS 675.140 is amended to read:

- 675.140. [On or before the 10th day of each month, the State Board of Psychologist Examiners shall pay into the State Treasury all moneys received by the board during the preceding calendar month. The State Treasurer shall credit the moneys to the State Board of Psychologist Examiners Account. The moneys in the State Board of Psychologist Examiners Account are continuously appropriated to the board for the purpose of paying the expenses of administering and enforcing ORS 675.010 to 675.150.]
- (1) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall collect fees related to the administration of ORS 675.010 to 675.150.

(2) All moneys received by the agency under subsection (1) of this section shall be deposited into the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated to the agency for the purposes of administrating and enforcing ORS 675.010 to 675.150.

SECTION 36. ORS 675.150 is amended to read:

675.150. The [State Board of Psychologist Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may institute and commence injunction proceedings in any circuit court in Oregon to enjoin the unlawful practice of psychology. In any such proceeding it shall not be necessary to show that any person is individually injured by the actions complained of. If the person complained of is found by the court to have unlawfully engaged in practice of psychology, the court may enjoin the person from so practicing. Procedure in such cases shall be the same as any other injunction suit. The remedy by injunction hereby given is in addition to criminal prosecution and punishment.

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OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY LICENSING BOARD

(Transfer)

SECTION 37. The duties, functions and powers of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 44 to 53 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

SECTION 38. (1) The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board shall:

- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act; and
- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

(Unexpended Revenues)

SECTION 39. (1) The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board Account is abolished.

(2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this

2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act.

(3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

SECTION 40. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 37 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 41. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 37 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 42. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 37 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 37 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board to the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board or an officer or employee of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 43. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, or an officer or employee of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, whose duties, functions or powers are trans-

ferred by section 37 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 44. ORS 675.230 is amended to read:

675.230. Any person desiring to be licensed as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant shall apply in writing to the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency in the form and manner provided by the [board] agency. Each application shall include or be accompanied by evidence, satisfactory to the [board] agency, that the applicant possesses the qualifications prescribed in ORS 675.240 and applicable rules of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board for applicants for [licensing] licensure as an occupational therapist, or in ORS 675.250 and applicable rules of the board for applicants for [licensing] licensure as an occupational therapy assistant.

SECTION 44a. ORS 675.240, as amended by section 5, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:

675.240. (1) Except as provided in ORS 675.270, an applicant for licensure under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 as an occupational therapist must:

- (a) Have successfully completed an educational program in occupational therapy recognized by the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, with concentration in biological or physical science, psychology and sociology, and with education in selected manual skills.
- (b) Pass to the satisfaction of the board an examination adopted by the board to determine the fitness of the applicant for practice as an occupational therapist or be entitled to be licensed as provided in ORS 675.270.
- (c) Have successfully completed at least six months of supervised field work that complies with rules adopted by the board.
 - (d) Comply with continuing education requirements as adopted by the board by rule.
- (e) If an applicant has been unlicensed for more than three years, complete a board-approved reentry program or retake the board-approved national examination to determine fitness for practice as an occupational therapist.
- (2) An applicant meets the requirements of subsection (1)(c) of this section if the applicant provides the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency with documentation of military experience that the agency, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, determines is substantially equivalent to the experience required by subsection (1)(c) of this section.
- **SECTION 44b.** ORS 675.250, as amended by section 6, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
- 675.250. (1) Except as provided in ORS 675.270, an applicant for licensure under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 as an occupational therapy assistant shall:
 - (a) Be at least 18 years of age.
- (b) Have successfully completed the academic requirements of an educational program for occupational therapy assistants recognized by the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board.
- (c) Pass an examination approved by the board to determine the fitness of the applicant for practice as an occupational therapy assistant.
 - (d) Have successfully completed at least two months of supervised field work that complies with

rules adopted by the board.

- (e) Comply with continuing education requirements as adopted by the board by rule.
- (f) If an applicant has been unlicensed for more than three years, complete a board-approved reentry program or retake the board-approved national examination to determine fitness for practice as an occupational therapy assistant.
- (2) An applicant meets the requirements of subsection (1)(b) or (d) of this section if the applicant provides the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency with documentation of military training or experience that the agency, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, determines is substantially equivalent to the education or experience required by subsection (1)(b) or (d) of this section.

SECTION 45. ORS 675.270 is amended to read:

675.270. (1) The [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may license without examination any person who applies and meets the requirements under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and applicable rules of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, and:

- (a) Is currently certified as an occupational therapist registered (O.T.R.) or certified occupational therapy assistant (C.O.T.A.) by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy; or
- (b) Presents proof of current licensure as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant in another state, the District of Columbia, or territory of the United States that requires standards for licensure considered by the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board to be equivalent to the requirements for licensure under ORS 675.210 to 675.340.
- (2) Each applicant under this section shall pay a license fee **to the agency**, in an amount established by the board, at the time of filing an application under this section.

SECTION 46. ORS 675.280 is amended to read:

675.280. Licenses issued under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 [shall] expire on May 31 of even-numbered years. The [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall license any person who meets the requirements of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and applicable rules of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board upon payment of a license fee in an amount established by the board. The [board] agency shall issue a certificate to each person licensed. The certificate shall be prima facie evidence of the right of the person to whom it is issued to purport to be a licensed occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant subject to the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340. The certificate shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the occupational therapy employer.

SECTION 47. ORS 675.290 is amended to read:

675.290. Each licensed occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant shall apply to the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency prior to the expiration of a license for a renewal of a license. Each applicant for renewal of a license shall pay a renewal fee, in an amount established by the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board, at the time of filing a renewal application. Any license that is not renewed before June 1 of even-numbered years, or before such date as may be specified by board rule, shall automatically lapse. The [board] agency may revive and renew any lapsed license upon payment to it of a delinquent fee in the amount of \$50. However, late renewal of a license may not be granted more than three years after its expiration.

SECTION 48. ORS 675.300 is amended to read:

675.300. (1) [The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] In addition to the sanctions described

in ORS 676.612, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a license applied for or issued under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 or may impose probationary conditions where [the licensee or applicant has] an applicant for licensure or a person licensed under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 has:

- (a) Committed unprofessional conduct as defined by the standards established by the **Occupational Therapy Licensing** Board;
- (b) Obtained or attempted to obtain a license by means of fraud, misrepresentation or concealment of material facts;
- (c) Violated any provision of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 or any order or rule adopted by the board; or
 - (d) Committed gross negligence or incompetence in the performance of professional duties.
- (2) The [board] **agency** may suspend or revoke the license of any person licensed under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 if the licensee has an impairment as defined in ORS 676.303.
- (3) When the [board] agency proposes to refuse to issue or renew a license or proposes to revoke or suspend a license, opportunity for hearing shall be accorded as provided in ORS chapter 183.
- (4) Judicial review of orders under subsection (3) of this section shall be conducted in accordance with ORS chapter 183.
- (5) Information that the [board] agency obtains as part of an investigation into licensee or applicant conduct or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee or applicant conduct is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 49. ORS 675.320 is amended to read:

- 675.320. (1) The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board shall have the following powers in addition to powers otherwise granted under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 or necessary to carry out [the provisions of] the board's duties under ORS 675.210 to 675.340:
- [(1)] (a) To organize and elect from its membership a chairperson and vice chairperson, each of whom shall hold office for one year or until the election and qualification of a successor.
- [(2) To authorize all necessary disbursements to carry out the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340, including, but not limited to, payment for necessary supplies, office equipment and investigations and such other expenditures as provided for in ORS 675.210 to 675.340.]
 - [(3) To suspend, revoke or invalidate licenses for nonpayment of renewal fees.]
 - [(4) To restore licenses that have been suspended, revoked or voided.]
- [(5)] **(b)** To adopt license and license renewal fees under ORS 675.270, 675.280 and 675.290. The fees must be approved by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and may not exceed the cost of administering ORS 675.210 to 675.340.
 - [(6) To collect license applications and renewal fees.]
 - [(7) To investigate alleged violations of ORS 675.210 to 675.340.]
- [(8)] (c) To [enforce the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and] generally supervise the practice of occupational therapy in this state.
- [(9)] (d) To [make and enforce] adopt rules in accordance with ORS chapter 183 for the procedure of the board and for regulating the practice of occupational therapy not inconsistent with the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340.
- [(10)] (e) To establish minimum requirements for continuing education to be complied with by all licensees under ORS 675.210 to 675.340.
- 45 [(11)] (f) To establish minimum requirements for limited permit to be complied with by all ap-

- plicants prior to issuance of limited permit. A limited permit shall be issued to a person at the discretion of the board upon application and payment of a permit fee of \$25 to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.
 - [(12)] (g) To establish official abbreviations that may be used, under ORS 675.220 (1), by persons licensed as occupational therapists or occupational therapy assistants.
 - [(13)] (h) To establish minimum requirements for supervised field work necessary for applicants under ORS 675.240 or 675.250.
 - [(14)] (i) To adopt rules that define the scope of the practice of occupational therapy and that reflect national standards for the practice of occupational therapy.
 - (2) The agency shall have the following powers in addition to powers otherwise granted under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 or necessary to carry out the agency's duties under ORS 675.210 to 675.340:
 - (a) To authorize all necessary disbursements to carry out the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340, including, but not limited to, payment for necessary supplies, office equipment and investigations and such other expenditures as provided for in ORS 675.210 to 675.340.
 - (b) To suspend, revoke or invalidate licenses for nonpayment of renewal fees.
 - (c) To restore licenses that have been suspended, revoked or voided.
 - (d) To collect license applications and renewal fees.
 - (e) To investigate alleged violations of ORS 675.210 to 675.340.
 - **SECTION 50.** ORS 675.330 is amended to read:
 - 675.330. (1) [The Occupational Therapy Licensing Board Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund.] All moneys received by the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 shall be deposited into the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated to the [board] agency to be used [only] for the administration and enforcement of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and 675.990 (2). Any interest or other income from moneys in the account shall be credited to the account.
 - (2) All civil penalties collected or received for violations of or in prosecutions under ORS 675.210 to 675.340 shall be deposited into the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] account and shall be used only for the administration and enforcement of ORS 675.210 to 675.340.

SECTION 51. ORS 675.335 is amended to read:

- 675.335. (1) Upon the complaint of any citizen of this state, or upon its own motion, the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may investigate any alleged violation of ORS 675.210 to 675.340. Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 675.210 to 675.340, the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board shall report the complaint to the agency. The [board] agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.
 - [(2) In the conduct of investigations, the board may:]
- [(a) Take evidence;]

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- 39 [(b) Take the depositions of witnesses, including the person charged, in the manner provided by law 40 in civil cases;]
- [(c) Compel the appearance of witnesses, including the person charged, before the board in person the same as in civil cases;]
 - [(d) Require answers to interrogatories;]
- [(e) Compel the production of books, papers, accounts, documents and testimony pertaining to the matter under investigation; and]

- [(f) Issue subpoenas.]
- (2) Any information the agency or board obtains under this section is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 52. ORS 675.336 is amended to read:

- 675.336. (1) In addition to any other liability or penalty provided by law, the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** may impose a civil penalty on a person who violates the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for each violation.
- (2) The [board] agency shall impose civil penalties under this section in the manner provided by ORS 183.745.
- (3) All penalties recovered under this section shall be paid into the [Occupational Therapy Licensing Board Account established in ORS 675.330] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and shall be used [only] for the administration and enforcement of ORS 675.210 to 675.340.

SECTION 53. ORS 675.340 is amended to read:

675.340. The district attorney shall prosecute all persons charged with violations of any of the provisions of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and 675.990 (2). The Director[, under the direction of the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board,] of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall aid the district attorney in the enforcement of ORS 675.210 to 675.340 and 675.990 (2).

STATE BOARD OF LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS

(Transfer)

<u>SECTION 54.</u> The duties, functions and powers of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 61 to 76 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

- SECTION 55. (1) The State Board of Licensed Social Workers shall:
- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act; and
- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the State Board of Licensed Social Workers and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

(Unexpended Revenues)

SECTION 56. (1) The State Board of Licensed Social Workers Account is abolished.

- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

SECTION 57. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 54 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the State Board of Licensed Social Workers in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 58. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 54 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 59. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 54 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 54 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers to the State Board of Licensed Social Workers or an officer or employee of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 60. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the State Board of Licensed Social Workers, or an officer or employee of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 54 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 61. ORS 675.510 is amended to read:

675.510. As used in ORS 675.510 to 675.600, unless the context requires otherwise:

- (1) "Authorization to practice regulated social work" means a certificate or license issued by the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency under ORS 675.510 to 675.600.
- (2) "Clinical social work" means the professional practice of applying principles and methods with individuals, couples, families, children and groups, which include, but are not restricted to:
- (a) Providing diagnostic, preventive and treatment services of a psychosocial nature pertaining to personality adjustment, behavior problems, interpersonal dysfunctioning or deinstitutionalization;
- (b) Developing a psychotherapeutic relationship to employ a series of problem solving techniques for the purpose of removing, modifying, or retarding disrupted patterns of behavior, and for promoting positive personality growth and development;
- (c) Counseling and the use of psychotherapeutic techniques, such as disciplined interviewing which is supportive, directive or insight oriented depending upon diagnosed problems, observation and feedback, systematic analysis, and recommendations;
- (d) Modifying internal and external conditions that affect a client's behavior, emotions, thinking, or intrapersonal processes;
- (e) Explaining and interpreting the psychosocial dynamics of human behavior to facilitate problem solving; and
 - (f) Supervising, administering or teaching clinical social work practice.
- (3) "Regulated social worker" means a baccalaureate social worker registered under ORS 675.532, a master's social worker licensed under ORS 675.533, a clinical social work associate certified under ORS 675.537 or a clinical social worker licensed under ORS 675.530.
- (4) "Unprofessional conduct" includes, but is not limited to, any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the social work profession or any conduct that constitutes or might constitute a danger to the health or safety of a client or the public or in any other manner fails or might fail to adhere to the recognized standards of the profession.

SECTION 62. ORS 675.530 is amended to read:

- 675.530. (1) If an applicant for initial licensure as a clinical social worker has complied with the requirements of this section and has paid the fee under ORS 675.571, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** shall issue a license to the applicant.
- (2) An applicant for licensure as a clinical social worker shall submit evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency that the applicant:

- (a) Has complied with all applicable provisions of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and the applicable rules of the [board] State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- (b) Holds a master's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the board;
- (c) Has completed the equivalent of two years of full-time experience in the field of clinical social work in accordance with rules of the board;
- (d) Has satisfactorily completed the requirements for certification as a clinical social work associate under ORS 675.537; and
- (e) If required under ORS 675.535, has passed the written examination for licensure as a clinical social worker.
- (3) The board shall adopt rules relating to the clinical experience required under subsection (2)(c) of this section after consultation with persons active in the field of clinical social work. The rules may allow for including experience obtained in the course of the study of social work as part of the clinical experience required under subsection (2)(c) of this section.

SECTION 63. ORS 675.532 is amended to read:

- 675.532. (1) If an applicant for initial registration as a baccalaureate social worker has complied with the requirements of this section and has paid the fee under ORS 675.571, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall register the applicant as a baccalaureate social worker. Upon registration, the [board] agency shall issue notice of the registration to the applicant.
- (2) An applicant for registration as a baccalaureate social worker shall submit evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency that the applicant:
- (a) Has complied with the requirements of all applicable provisions of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and the applicable rules of the [board] **State Board of Licensed Social Workers**;
- (b) Holds a bachelor's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the board; and
- (c) If required under ORS 675.535, has passed the written examination for registration as a baccalaureate social worker.

SECTION 64. ORS 675.533 is amended to read:

- 675.533. (1) If an applicant for initial licensure as a master's social worker has complied with the requirements of this section and has paid the fee under ORS 675.571, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license to the applicant.
- (2) An applicant for licensure as a master's social worker shall submit evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency that the applicant:
- (a) Has complied with the requirements of all applicable provisions of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and the applicable rules of the [board] **State Board of Licensed Social Workers**;
- (b) Holds a master's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the board; and
- (c) If required under ORS 675.535, has passed the written examination for licensure as a master's social worker.

SECTION 65. ORS 675.537 is amended to read:

675.537. (1) If an applicant for initial certification as a clinical social work associate has complied with the requirements of this section and has paid the fee under ORS 675.571, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall certify the applicant. Upon certification, the [board] agency shall issue a certificate to the applicant.

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- (2) An applicant for certification as a clinical social work associate shall submit evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency that the applicant:
- (a) Has complied with all applicable provisions of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and the applicable rules of the [board] State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- (b) Holds a master's degree in social work from a college or university accredited by an accrediting organization recognized by the board; and
- (c) Has developed a plan approved by the **agency**, **based on rules adopted by the** board, for completion of practice and supervision requirements as defined by the rules of the board.

SECTION 66. ORS 675.540 is amended to read:

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675.540. (1) [The State Board of Licensed Social Workers] In addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose any or all of the sanctions specified in subsection (2) of this section, upon proof, after a hearing pursuant to the provisions of ORS chapter 183 relating to a contested case, that a regulated social worker:

- (a) Has been convicted in this or any other state of a crime that is a felony in this state;
- (b) Has been convicted of a felony in a federal court;
- (c) Is unable to perform the practice of social work by reason of physical illness;
- (d) Has an impairment as defined in ORS 676.303;
- (e) Has been grossly negligent or has engaged in unprofessional conduct in the practice of social work; or
 - (f) Has violated any provision of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 or any rule adopted under ORS 675.600.
 - (2) Pursuant to the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, the [board] agency may:
 - (a) Deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to renew any authorization to practice regulated social work issued under ORS 675.510 to 675.600.
 - (b) Place a regulated social worker on probation and impose conditions or limits on the scope of practice of a regulated social worker.
 - (c) Impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty not to exceed \$3,000 for each violation.
 - (3) The expiration, or voluntary surrender by a regulated social worker, of an authorization to practice regulated social work does not deprive the [board] agency of jurisdiction to proceed with any investigation of, or any action or disciplinary proceedings against, the regulated social worker.
 - (4) Information that the [board] agency obtains as part of an investigation into the conduct of a regulated social worker or an applicant for an authorization to practice regulated social work or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving the conduct of a regulated social worker or applicant, is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
 - (5) Subject to the provisions of ORS chapter 183 relating to a contested case, the [board] agency may impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty in an amount up to \$5,000 upon proof that, after a person's authorization to practice regulated social work has been revoked by the [board] agency, the person has:
 - (a) Engaged in the practice of clinical social work; or
- 41 (b) Represented that the person is a regulated social worker.
 - **SECTION 67.** ORS 675.545 is amended to read:
 - 675.545. To safeguard the people of the State of Oregon from the dangers of unqualified and improper practice of social work, a regulated social worker whose authorization to practice regulated social work has been revoked by the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health

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- (1) Engage in or offer to engage in the practice of clinical social work.
- (2) Represent that the person is a regulated social worker by using any title, words or abbreviations that indicate that the person has an authorization to practice regulated social work.

SECTION 68. ORS 675.550 is amended to read:

675.550. If the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency has revoked or refused to reissue or renew an authorization to practice regulated social work, the [board] agency may reissue the authorization after one year from the date of the revocation or the date the reissuance or renewal was refused.

SECTION 69. ORS 675.560 is amended to read:

- 675.560. (1) An authorization to practice regulated social work granted by the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** under ORS 675.510 to 675.600 is effective when the authorization is issued by the [board] **agency**.
- (2) An authorization to practice regulated social work granted by the [board] agency expires on the date established by the [board] State Board of Licensed Social Workers by rule.
- (3) The board shall adopt rules setting forth requirements for renewal of a baccalaureate social worker registration and renewal of a master's social worker license.
- (4) A clinical social work associate certified by the [board] **agency** under ORS 675.537 may renew the certification by:
 - (a) Payment of the renewal fee established under ORS 675.571; and
- (b) Submission of a sworn statement by the associate, on a form provided by the [board] agency, that demonstrates to the [board's] agency's satisfaction that satisfactory progress is being made toward completion of the associate's adopted supervisory plan.
 - (5) A clinical social worker licensed under ORS 675.530 may renew the license by:
 - (a) Payment of the renewal fee established under ORS 675.571; and
- (b) Submission of a sworn statement by the applicant, on a form provided by the [board] agency, that the applicant:
- (A) Has completed applicable continuing education requirements established by the board under ORS 675.565; and
 - (B) Is unaware of any reason for denial of the renewal.

SECTION 69a. ORS 675.565 is amended to read:

- 675.565. (1) The State Board of Licensed Social Workers may establish by rule continuing education requirements for the renewal of authorizations to practice regulated social work.
- (2) The board may [require] adopt rules requiring that applicants for renewal of authorization to practice regulated social work to submit to the Oregon Health Authority evidence of completion of continuing education requirements as a condition of renewal in order to ensure the highest quality of professional services to the public.

SECTION 70. ORS 675.571 is amended to read:

39 675.571. (1) The State Board of Licensed Social Workers shall adopt, and the Oregon Health
40 Licensing Agency shall collect, fees for:

- (a) Examination and reexamination.
- (b) An initial authorization to practice regulated social work.
- (c) Renewal of an authorization to practice regulated social work.
- 44 (d) Delinquent renewal of an authorization to practice regulated social work.
- 45 (2) Fees collected under subsection (1) of this section shall be deposited in the [State Board of

- Licensed Social Workers Account established under ORS 675.597] Oregon Health Licensing Agency
 Account and shall be used to defray the expenses of [the board] administering and enforcing ORS
 675.510 to 675.600.
 - (3) Subject to prior approval of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and a report to the Emergency Board prior to adopting the fees and charges, the fees and charges established under this section may not exceed the cost of administering [the regulatory program pertaining to the purpose for which the fee or charge is established, as authorized by the Legislative Assembly within the budget of the State Board of Licensed Social Workers, as the budget may be modified by the Emergency Board] and enforcing ORS 675.510 to 675.600.
 - (4) The [State Board of Licensed Social Workers may impose] board may adopt, and the agency may impose, a delinquent renewal fee for an authorization to practice regulated social work if the application for renewal is not filed and accepted by the renewal date established by the board by rule, but is filed and accepted within 30 days of the renewal date. An authorization to practice regulated social work is lapsed if an application for renewal is not filed and accepted within 30 days of the renewal date.
 - (5) Fees collected under this section are nonrefundable.

SECTION 71. ORS 675.580 is amended to read:

- 675.580. (1) A regulated social worker or any employee of the regulated social worker may not disclose any communication given by a client in the course of noninvestigatory professional activity when the communication was given to enable the regulated social worker to aid the client, except when:
- (a) The client or a person legally responsible for the client's affairs gives consent to the disclosure;
- (b) The client initiates legal action or makes a complaint against the regulated social worker to the State Board of Licensed Social Workers or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency;
 - (c) The [board] agency requests the information as part of an investigation or proceeding;
- (d) The communication reveals a clear intent to commit a crime that reasonably is expected to result in physical injury to a person;
 - (e) The communication reveals that a minor was the victim of a crime, abuse or neglect;
- (f) Disclosure of the communication is necessary to obtain further professional assistance for the client; or
 - (g) Disclosure of the communication is otherwise required by ORS 124.060, 419B.010 or 430.765.
- (2) Nothing in this section is intended to prevent a regulated social worker who is a public employee from disclosing communications from a client when the disclosure is made in the performance of the regulated social worker's duty as a public employee and the public employer has determined that the disclosure is necessary in the performance of the duty of the regulated social worker as a public employee.

SECTION 72. ORS 675.583 is amended to read:

- 675.583. (1) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, a regulated social worker shall report to the State Board of Licensed Social Workers any information the regulated social worker has that appears to show that a regulated social worker is or may be an impaired professional as defined in ORS 676.185, or may have engaged in unprofessional conduct according to the guidelines of the code of ethics, to the extent that disclosure does not conflict with the requirements of ORS 675.580.
 - (2) A regulated social worker shall report any prohibited conduct as defined in ORS 676.150 in

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- (3) Notwithstanding [ORS 676.175] sections 8 and 9 of this 2013 Act, any information that the board obtains pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is confidential and may not be disclosed except as authorized under ORS 676.150 or as provided by the board by rule.
- (4) A person who reports or provides information to the board under subsection (1) of this section in good faith is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result of reporting or providing information to the board.

SECTION 73. ORS 675.585 is amended to read:

- 675.585. (1) Upon complaint of any person, or upon its own initiative, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may investigate any alleged violation of ORS 675.510 to 675.600. Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 675.510 to 675.600, the State Board of Licensed Social Workers shall report the complaint to the agency.
- (2) Any information that the **agency or** board obtains pursuant to subsection (1) of this section is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] **section 8 of this 2013 Act** and is not admissible in judicial proceedings, other than judicial review as provided for under ORS 183.480[, until the board votes to take final action].
- (3) Any person who reports or provides information to the **agency or** board under subsection (1) of this section in good faith is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.
- (4) In addition to any other privilege or immunity provided by law, **the agency**, members of the board, members of [its] **the board's** administrative [and investigative] staff, agents of the **agency or** board and attorneys acting for the **agency or** board as [prosecutors or] counsel have the same privileges and immunities from civil, administrative and criminal proceedings arising by reason of official actions as prosecuting and judicial officers of the state.
- (5) A person who has made a complaint to the **agency or** board or who has given information or testimony relative to a proposed or pending proceeding before the [board] **agency** is not answerable for any such act in any proceeding except for perjury.

SECTION 74. ORS 675.595 is amended to read:

- 675.595. (1) In addition to the powers otherwise granted under ORS 675.510 to 675.600, the State Board of Licensed Social Workers shall have the following powers:
 - [(1)] (a) To determine the qualifications of applicants to practice social work in this state.
 - [(2)] (b) To cause to have examinations prepared, conducted and graded.
- [(3) To grant authorizations to practice regulated social work to qualified applicants upon their compliance with the provisions of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and the rules of the board.]
 - [(4) To grant or deny renewal of authorizations to practice regulated social work.]
 - [(5) To suspend or revoke authorizations to practice regulated social work.]
 - [(6) To issue letters of reprimand.]
 - [(7) To impose probationary periods with the authority to restrict the scope of practice of a regulated social worker.]
 - [(8) To require that a regulated social worker:]
 - [(a) Practice under supervision;]
- 41 [(b) Obtain additional training in social work; or]
- [(c) Undergo psychological, physical or psychiatric assessment, enter into and remain in any prescribed treatment program and disclose the results of the treatment program to the board.]
 - [(9) To impose civil penalties as provided in ORS 675.540.]
- 45 [(10) To restore authorizations to practice regulated social work that have been suspended, revoked

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- [(11)] (c) To [collect] adopt fees for application, examination and reexamination of applicants for initial authorizations to practice regulated social work as provided in ORS 675.571.
- 4 [(12)] (d) To [collect] adopt fees for renewal of authorizations to practice regulated social work 5 as provided in ORS 675.671.
 - [(13)] (e) To [collect] adopt delinquent renewal fees as provided in ORS 675.571 (4).
 - [(14) To investigate alleged violations of ORS 675.510 to 675.600.]
- 8 [(15) To issue subpoens for the attendance of witnesses, take testimony, administer oaths or affir-9 mations to witnesses, conduct hearings and require the production of relevant documents in all pro-10 ceedings pertaining to the duties and powers of the board.]
 - [(16)] (f) To [enforce ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and] exercise general supervision over the practice of social work in this state.
 - [(17)] (g) To adopt a common seal.
 - [(18)] (h) To formulate [and enforce] a code of professional conduct for the practice of social work giving particular consideration to the code of ethics.
 - [(19)] (i) To formulate [and enforce] continuing education requirements for regulated social workers to ensure the highest quality of professional services to the public.
 - [(20) To take such other disciplinary action as the board in its discretion finds proper, including but not limited to assessment of the costs of the disciplinary process.]
- [(21) For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534, to require the fingerprints of a person who is:]
- 22 [(a) Applying for an authorization to practice regulated social work;]
 - [(b) Applying for renewal of an authorization to practice regulated social work; or]
 - [(c) Under investigation by the board.]
 - (2) In addition to the powers otherwise granted under ORS 675.510 to 675.600, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall have the following powers:
 - (a) To grant authorizations to practice regulated social work to qualified applicants upon their compliance with the provisions of ORS 675.510 to 675.600 and the rules of the board.
 - (b) To grant or deny renewal of authorizations to practice regulated social work.
 - (c) To suspend or revoke authorizations to practice regulated social work.
 - (d) To issue letters of reprimand.
 - (e) To impose probationary periods with the authority to restrict the scope of practice of a regulated social worker.
 - (f) To require that a regulated social worker:
 - (A) Practice under supervision;
 - (B) Obtain additional training in social work; or
 - (C) Undergo psychological, physical or psychiatric assessment, enter into and remain in any prescribed treatment program and disclose the results of the treatment program to the board agency.
 - (g) To impose civil penalties as provided in ORS 675.540.
 - (h) To restore authorizations to practice regulated social work that have been suspended, revoked or voided by nonpayment of the renewal fee.
 - (i) To collect fees for application, examination and reexamination of applicants for initial authorizations to practice regulated social work as provided in ORS 675.571.
 - (j) To collect fees for renewal of authorizations to practice regulated social work as

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- (k) To collect delinquent renewal fees as provided in ORS 675.571 (4).
- (L) To investigate alleged violations of ORS 675.510 to 675.600.
- 4 (m) To take such other disciplinary action as the agency in its discretion finds proper, 5 including but not limited to assessment of the costs of the disciplinary process.
 - **SECTION 74a.** ORS 675.600 is amended to read:
 - 675.600. The State Board of Licensed Social Workers shall:
- 8 (1) Pursuant to ORS chapter 183, adopt rules necessary to carry out the provisions of ORS 9 675.510 to 675.600.
 - (2) Publish annually a list of the names and addresses of all persons who have been authorized to practice regulated social work. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall provide the board with all information necessary for the administration of this subsection.
 - (3) Establish a voluntary arbitration procedure that may be invoked with the consent of clients and regulated social workers whereby disputes between clients and workers may be resolved.
 - (4) Report to the Legislative Assembly on its activities regarding authorizations to practice regulated social work during the preceding biennium.
 - SECTION 74b. ORS 675.990 is amended to read:
 - 675.990. (1)(a) Violation of any provision of ORS 675.010 to 675.150 is a Class C misdemeanor.
 - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, violation of ORS 675.020 is a Class A misdemeanor.
 - (2) Violation of any provision of ORS 675.220 is a Class B misdemeanor.
 - (3) The following shall be Class C misdemeanors:
- 23 (a) Any violation of ORS 675.520;
 - (b) Obtaining or attempting to obtain or renew an authorization to practice regulated social work by bribery or fraudulent representation;
 - (c) Knowingly making a false statement in connection with any application for an authorization to practice regulated social work under ORS 675.510 to 675.600; or
 - (d) Knowingly making a false statement on any form adopted by the **Oregon Health Licensing Agency or** State Board of Licensed Social Workers in accordance with ORS 675.510 to 675.600, or the rules adopted under ORS 675.510 to 675.600.
 - SECTION 75. ORS 675.992 is amended to read:
 - 675.992. Subject to the provisions of ORS chapter 183 relating to a contested case, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty of up to \$3,000 upon proof that a person who is not a regulated social worker has:
 - (1) Represented that the person is a regulated social worker; or
 - (2) Used the title "social worker" or any title, words or abbreviations that indicate that the person has an authorization to practice regulated social work in violation of ORS 675.520.
 - SECTION 76. ORS 675.994 is amended to read:
 - 675.994. Subject to the provisions of ORS chapter 183 relating to a contested case, the [State Board of Licensed Social Workers] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 upon proof that a person who is not a clinical social worker licensed under ORS 675.530 or a clinical social work associate certified under ORS 675.537 has:
- 45 (1) Engaged in the practice of clinical social work, unless the person is permitted to practice

clinical social work under ORS 675.523; or

tion 77 of this 2013 Act; and

(2) Represented that the person is a clinical social worker or clinical social work associate.

OREGON BOARD OF LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS

(Transfer)

SECTION 77. The duties, functions and powers of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes and session law by sections 84 to 95 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

 <u>SECTION 78.</u> (1) The Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists shall:

(a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by sec-

- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

(Unexpended Revenues)

<u>SECTION 79.</u> (1) The Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists Account is abolished.

- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act.
 - (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting

expenditures by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

 SECTION 80. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 77 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 81. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 77 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 82. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 77 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 77 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists to the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists or an officer or employee of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 83. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, or an officer or employee of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 77 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged

with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes and Session Law)

SECTION 84. ORS 675.715 is amended to read:

675.715. In order to obtain a license as a professional counselor or a marriage and family therapist, an applicant shall make application on a form and in such a manner as the [Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] Oregon Health Licensing Agency prescribes, accompanied by the nonrefundable fee established pursuant to ORS 675.785. The [board] agency shall issue a license as a professional counselor or a marriage and family therapist to each applicant who furnishes satisfactory evidence to the [board] agency that the applicant meets the following qualifications:

- (1) Is not in violation of any of the provisions of ORS 675.715 to 675.835 [and] or the rules adopted by the [board] Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists.
 - (2) Has received:
- (a) A graduate degree in counseling in a program approved by the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs of the American Counseling Association that includes training in the diagnosis of mental disorders;
- (b) A graduate degree in marriage and family therapy in a program approved by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy that includes training in the diagnosis of mental disorders;
- (c) A graduate degree, under standards explicitly adopted by the board by rule that is determined by the [board] agency to be comparable in both content and quality to a degree approved under paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection and that includes training in the diagnosis of mental disorders; or
- (d) A graduate degree, determined by the [board] agency to meet at an acceptable level at least a majority of the board's adopted degree standards and that includes training in the diagnosis of mental disorders, and has completed additional graduate training obtained in a counselor or marriage and family therapy program at an accredited college or university to meet the remainder of the standards.
- (3) At the time of application to become a licensed professional counselor, has a minimum of three years of full-time supervised clinical experience, or the equivalent, under a board-approved supervisor in a board-approved setting. One year of the supervised clinical experience may be obtained prior to the granting of the master's degree.
- (4) At the time of application to become a licensed marriage and family therapist, has a minimum of three years of full-time clinical work experience with supervision, in accordance with standards established by the board. At least 2,000 hours in the three-year period must be in the practice of marriage and family therapy in the presence of a client.
- (5) Demonstrates competence as a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist by passing an examination prescribed by the board as follows:
- (a) The examination for professional counselor license must include, but need not be limited to, counseling theory, human growth and development, social and cultural foundations, the helping relationship, group dynamics, lifestyle and career development, appraisal of individuals, research and evaluation, professional orientation, ethics and Oregon law.
 - (b) The examination for the marriage and family therapist license must include, but need not be

- limited to, marriage and family therapy theory, systems theory, appraisal of family relationships, normal individual and family development, research and evaluation, professional conduct, ethics and Oregon law.
 - (6) An application that remains incomplete for one year from the date of the initial submission to the [board] **agency** is considered to have been withdrawn by the applicant. Incomplete applications include, but are not limited to, applications lacking documentation, signatures or the payment of fees [required] **established** by the board **by rule**.

SECTION 85. ORS 675.720 is amended to read:

- 675.720. (1) If an applicant for a license under ORS 675.715 possesses the graduate degree required by ORS 675.715 but has not submitted documentation satisfactory to the [Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] Oregon Health Licensing Agency that the applicant has the required supervised clinical work experience, the applicant must register an internship plan with the agency for approval by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists to obtain acceptable post-degree supervised work experience to qualify for a license as a professional counselor or as a marriage and family therapist.
- (2) To register as a professional counselor intern or as a marriage and family therapist intern under this section, the applicant shall submit in the form and manner determined by the [board] agency:
 - (a) A request for registration; and
- (b) A plan, for approval by the board, to obtain or complete the supervised clinical work experience required for licensure.
- (3) The [board] agency shall register the applicant as an intern upon receipt [and approval] of the completed request and board approval of the plan required in subsection (2) of this section.
- (4)(a) A registered intern must renew the certificate of registration annually on or before the first day of the month in which the [board approved the initial registration] agency registered the applicant. To renew a certificate of registration, a registered intern shall:
- (A) Submit a renewal application in the form and manner established by the [board] agency accompanied by a renewal fee pursuant to ORS 675.785; and
 - (B) Document fulfillment of all other requirements established by the board by rule.
- (b) Failure to renew a registration within 30 days of the annual renewal date terminates the registration and the application for licensure.
 - (5) Registered interns are subject to all ethical standards adopted by the board.
 - SECTION 86. Section 2, chapter 50, Oregon Laws 2010, is amended to read:
- **Sec. 2.** (1) A person licensed under ORS 675.715 to 675.835 on January 1, 2010, may not practice professional counseling or marriage and family therapy after January 1, 2012, unless the person has submitted a written attestation to the [Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** that the person has training and experience in the diagnosis of mental disorders.
- (2) The [board] agency shall randomly audit attestations submitted under subsection (1) of this section.
- **SECTION 87.** ORS 675.725 is amended to read:
- 675.725. (1) A license issued under ORS 675.715 to 675.835 is subject to annual renewal.
 - (2) A licensee seeking renewal of a license shall:
- (a) Pay to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency the license renewal fee on or before the renewal date established by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists by

rule;

- (b) Provide to the agency proof of fulfillment of any requirements of the board for continuing education and supervision;
- (c) Submit to the [board] agency a sworn statement on a form provided by the [board] agency certifying that there is no reason for denial of the license renewal; and
 - (d) Maintain professional disclosure statements as required by the board by rule.
- (3) A licensee may renew a license after the date for license renewal by paying to the agency the renewal fee and a late filing fee for license renewal prior to the expiration of the grace period for license renewal established by the board by rule.
- (4) A licensee may not continue to practice as a licensed professional counselor or a licensed marriage and family therapist after expiration of the license.
 - (5) A person whose license has expired may apply to be relicensed as follows:
- (a) If the person's previous license has been expired for more than two years, the person must apply and qualify for a new license in the same manner as a person who has never been licensed.
- (b) If the person's previous license has been expired for two years or less, the person is not required to meet the degree, experience and examination standards for a person who has never been licensed, but must meet all other requirements for relicensure as the board may establish by rule. An application for relicensure under this subsection must be submitted in the manner required by the [board] agency and must be accompanied by the payment of the application fee and one annual renewal fee.

SECTION 88. ORS 675.735 is amended to read:

675.735. Upon application therefor accompanied by the appropriate fees established under ORS 675.785, the [Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall grant a license as a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist if the applicant provides evidence to the satisfaction of the [board] agency that the applicant is recognized as a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist in another state in which the requirements for such recognition are, in the judgment of the [board] agency, at least equivalent to the licensing requirements of ORS 675.715 to 675.835 and rules of the [board] Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists.

SECTION 89. ORS 675.745 is amended to read:

675.745. (1) [The Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] In addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may deny, suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or to renew any license issued under ORS 675.715 to 675.835 upon proof that the applicant for licensure or the licensee:

- (a) Has been convicted of violating ORS 675.825 or of a crime in this or any other state or territory or against the federal government that brings into question the competence of the licensee in the role of a counselor or a therapist;
- (b) Is unable to perform the practice of professional counseling or marriage and family therapy by reason of physical illness;
 - (c) Has an impairment as defined in ORS 676.303;
- (d) Has been grossly negligent in the practice of professional counseling or marriage and family therapy;
- (e) Has violated one or more of the rules of the [board] Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists pertaining to the licensure of professional counselors or licensed marriage and family therapists;

- (f) Has failed to file a professional disclosure statement or has filed a false, incomplete or misleading professional disclosure statement;
- (g) Has practiced outside the scope of activities, including administering, constructing or interpreting tests or diagnosing or treating mental disorders, for which the licensee has individual training and qualification; or
- (h) Has been disciplined by a state mental health licensing board or program in this or any other state for violation of competency or conduct standards.
- (2)(a) The [board] **agency** may reprimand or impose probation on a licensee or a registered intern upon proof of any of the grounds for discipline provided in subsection (1) of this section.
- (b) If the [board] agency elects to place a licensee or a registered intern on probation, the [board] agency may impose:
 - (A) Restrictions on the scope of practice of the licensee or intern;
 - (B) Requirements for specific training;

- (C) Supervision of the practice of the licensee or intern; or
- (D) Other conditions the [board] agency finds necessary for the protection of the public.
- (3) The [board] **agency** may initiate action against persons violating any provision of ORS 675.715 to 675.835 or any rules adopted by the board.
- (4) Pursuant to ORS 183.745, the [board] agency may impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty of not more than \$2,500 for each ground for discipline listed in subsection (1) of this section found by the [board] agency.
- (5) Pursuant to ORS 183.745, the [board] agency may impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty of not more than \$2,500 for each violation of or failure to observe any limitation or condition imposed by the [board] agency on the licensee's or registered intern's practice under subsection (2) of this section.
- (6) Information that the [board] agency obtains as part of an investigation into licensee or applicant conduct or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee or applicant conduct is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (7) In addition to the actions authorized by subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the [board] agency may take such disciplinary action as the [board] agency in its discretion finds proper, including but not limited to the assessment of the costs of the disciplinary process.

SECTION 90. ORS 675.755 is amended to read:

- 675.755. (1) Except as provided in subsection (6) of this section, prior to the performance of professional counseling or marriage and family therapy, the licensee must furnish the client with a copy of a professional disclosure statement. If the licensee fails to provide the statement, the licensee shall not charge a client a fee for services.
- (2) A professional disclosure statement shall include the following information regarding the applicant or licensee:
 - (a) Name, business address and telephone number;
- (b) Philosophy and approach to counseling or marriage and family therapy;
- (c) Formal education and training;
 - (d) Continuing education and supervision requirements; and
 - (e) Fee schedules.
- (3) The statement must include the name, address and telephone number of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

- (4) An applicant shall submit a professional disclosure statement for [board] agency approval upon application for a license.
- (5) Whenever an applicant or licensee makes a change in the professional disclosure statement, the new statement shall be presented to the [board] agency for approval.
 - (6) The board may adopt by rule exemptions from the requirements of this section.

SECTION 91. ORS 675.765 is amended to read:

- 675.765. (1) A licensee or any employee of the licensee shall not disclose any communication given the licensee by a client in the course of noninvestigatory professional activity when such communication was given to enable the licensee to aid the client, except:
- [(1)] (a) When the client or those persons legally responsible for the affairs of the client give consent to the disclosure;
- [(2)] (b) When the client initiates legal action or makes a complaint against the licensed professional counselor or licensed marriage and family therapist to the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency;
 - [(3)] (c) When the communication reveals the intent to commit a crime or harmful act;
- [(4)] (d) When the communication reveals that a minor is or is suspected to be the victim of a crime, abuse or neglect; or
- [(5)] (e) When responding to an inquiry by the [board] agency made during the course of an investigation into the conduct of the licensee under ORS 676.165 [to 676.180].
- (2)(a) Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 675.715 to 675.835, the board shall report the complaint to the agency.
- (b) Any information the agency or board obtains under this section is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 92. ORS 675.785 is amended to read:

- 675.785. (1) The Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists has the following powers:
- [(1)] (a) In accordance with the applicable provisions of ORS chapter 183, the board shall adopt rules necessary for the administration of the laws the board is charged with administering.
- [(2)] (b) Subject to any applicable provisions of the State Personnel Relations Law, the board may appoint, prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of employees of the board necessary to carry out the duties of the board.
- [(3)] (c) The board may [impose] establish nonrefundable fees, to be collected by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, in an amount set by rule for the following:
 - [(a)] (A) License application.
 - [(b)] **(B)** First issuance of a license.
- [(c)] (C) Renewal of a license.
 - [(d)] (**D**) Late filing of a license renewal.
- [(e)] (E) Renewal of registration as an intern.
- [(f)] (F) Examinations. Examination fees shall not exceed the costs incurred in administering the particular examination. Fees established under this [subsection] paragraph are subject to prior approval of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and a report to the Emergency Board prior to adopting the fees and shall be within the budget authorized by the Legislative Assembly as that budget may be modified by the Emergency Board.
- (d) The board shall form standards committees for the purpose of establishing, examining and passing on the qualifications of applicants to practice professional counseling or mar-

riage and family therapy in this state. The standards committee for professional counselors shall be made up of the professional counselors on the board, the faculty member and the public member. The standards committee for marriage and family therapists shall be made up of the marriage and family members of the board, the faculty member and the public member. Each standards committee shall establish standards and requirements for continuing education and supervision, as appropriate.

- (e) The board may adopt a seal to be affixed to all licenses.
- (f) The board shall adopt a code of ethics for licensees. The board may use the ethical codes of professional counseling and marriage and family therapy associations as models for the code established by the board.
- (g) The board may set academic and training standards necessary under ORS 675.715 to 675.835, including, but not limited to, the adoption of rules to establish semester hour equivalents for qualification for licensing where quarter hours are required under ORS 675.715 to 675.835.
- (h) The board shall adopt rules requiring the applicant for a professional counselor license or a marriage and family therapy license to receive a passing score on an examination of competency in counseling or marriage and family therapy. The examination may be the examination given nationally to certify counselors, or in the case of marriage and family therapy, the examination approved by the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards.
- [(4)] (2) Using information provided by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, the board shall:
- (a) Maintain a register of all current licensed professional counselors and marriage and family therapists.
- (b) Annually publish a directory listing all current licensed professional counselors and marriage and family therapists. The directory shall be available to the public, for which the board may [collect] require the collection of a publication fee.
 - [(5)] (3) The [board] **agency** shall:

- (a) Investigate alleged violations of the provisions of ORS 675.715 to 675.835 or rules adopted under authority of the board.
- (b) Establish procedures to review the complaints of clients of licensees [of the board]. Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 675.715 to 675.835 against any licensed or unlicensed person, the [board] agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.
- [(6) The board shall report to the Legislative Assembly concerning the activities of the board during the preceding biennium.]
- [(7) The board shall form standards committees to establish, examine and pass on the qualifications of applicants to practice professional counseling or marriage and family therapy in this state. The standards committee for professional counselors shall be made up of the professional counselors on the board, the faculty member and the public member. The standards committee for marriage and family therapists shall be made up of the marriage and family members of the board, the faculty member and the public member.]
- [(8)] (c) [The board shall] Grant licenses to applicants who qualify to practice professional counseling or marriage and family therapy in this state upon compliance with ORS 675.715 to 675.835 and the rules of the board.
 - [(9) The board may administer oaths, take depositions, defray legal expenses and issue subpoenas

- to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents or written information necessary to carry out ORS 675.715 to 675.835.]
 - [(10) The board may adopt a seal to be affixed to all licenses.]
- 4 [(11) The board shall adopt a code of ethics for licensees. The board may use the ethical codes 5 of professional counseling and marriage and family therapy associations as models for the code estab-6 lished by the board.]
 - [(12) The board may set academic and training standards necessary under ORS 675.715 to 675.835, including, but not limited to, the adoption of rules to establish semester hour equivalents for qualification for licensing where quarter hours are required under ORS 675.715 to 675.835.]
 - [(13) The board shall require the applicant for a professional counselor license or a marriage and family therapy license to receive a passing score on an examination of competency in counseling or marriage and family therapy. The examination may be the examination given nationally to certify counselors, or in the case of marriage and family therapy, the examination approved by the Association of Marital and Family Therapy Regulatory Boards.]
 - [(14) The standards committee shall establish standards and requirements for continuing education and supervision, as appropriate.]
 - [(15) For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534, the board may require the fingerprints of a person who is:]
 - [(a) Applying for a license that is issued by the board;]
- 20 [(b) Applying for renewal of a license that is issued by the board; or]
 - [(c) Under investigation by the board.]

- **SECTION 93.** ORS 675.805 is amended to read:
- 675.805. All moneys received by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists under ORS 675.715 to 675.835 shall be paid into the [General Fund in the State Treasury and placed to the credit of the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists Account, which is hereby established] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account. Such moneys are appropriated continuously and shall be used [only] for the administration and enforcement of ORS 675.715 to 675.835.
 - **SECTION 94.** ORS 675.825 is amended to read:
- 675.825. (1) A person may not:
- (a) Attempt to obtain or obtain a license or license renewal by bribery or fraudulent representation.
- (b) Engage in or purport to the public to be engaged in the practice of professional counseling under the title "licensed professional counselor" unless the person is a licensee.
- (c) Engage in or purport to the public to be engaged in the practice of marriage and family therapy under the title of "licensed marriage and family therapist" unless the person is a licensee.
 - (d) Engage in the practice of professional counseling or marriage and family therapy unless:
- (A) The person is a licensee, registered intern or graduate student pursuing a graduate degree in counseling or marriage and family therapy; or
- (B) The person is exempted from the licensing requirements of ORS 675.715 to 675.835 by subsection (3) of this section.
- (e) Provide counseling or therapy services of a psychotherapeutic nature if the person's license to practice as a professional counselor or as a marriage and family therapist has been revoked by the [Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] Oregon Health Licensing Agency because the person engaged in sexual activity with a client.

- 1 (2) A licensed psychologist whose license, or a regulated social worker whose authorization to 2 practice regulated social work, was issued prior to October 1, 1991, may use the title "marriage and 3 family therapist."
 - (3) The licensing requirements of ORS 675.715 to 675.835 do not apply to a person who is:
 - (a) Licensed, certified, registered or similarly regulated under the laws of this state and who is performing duties within the authorized scope of practice of the license, certification, registration or regulation.
 - (b) A recognized member of the clergy, provided that the person is acting in the person's ministerial capacity.
 - (c) Employed by a local, state or federal agency or any agency licensed or certified by the state to provide mental health or health services, if the person's activities constituting professional counseling or marriage and family therapy are performed within the scope of the person's employment.
 - (d) Authorized to provide addiction treatment services under rules of the Department of Human Services.
 - (4) Nothing in ORS 675.715 to 675.835 limits or prevents the practice of a person's profession or restricts a person from providing counseling services or services related to marriage and family if the person:
 - (a) Does not meet the requirements of ORS 675.715 (2); or
 - (b) Does not practice:

- (A) Marriage and family therapy as defined in ORS 675.705 (5)(a); or
- (B) Professional counseling as defined in ORS 675.705 (6)(a).
 - (5) Each violation of this section is a separate violation.
 - (6) [The board] In addition to any other penalty provided by law, the agency may levy a civil penalty not to exceed \$2,500 for each separate violation of this section.

SECTION 95. ORS 675.835 is amended to read:

- 675.835. (1) The [Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may commence injunction proceedings in any circuit court to enjoin violation of ORS 675.825.
- (2) In proceedings under this section, the [board] **agency** need not show that any person is injured by the person against whom the injunction is sought.
- (3)(a) If the person against whom an injunction is sought under this section is found by the court to have unlawfully used the title "licensed professional counselor" or "licensed marriage and family therapist," a court may grant an injunction barring the person from using the title.
- (b) If the person against whom an injunction is sought under this section is found by the court to have unlawfully engaged in the practice of professional counseling or marriage and family therapy, a court may grant an injunction barring the person from engaging in the unlawful practice.
- (4) An injunction under this section is in addition to any other remedies or penalties provided by law.

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44 (Transfer)

SECTION 96. The duties, functions and powers of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 103 to 117 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

- <u>SECTION 97.</u> (1) The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall:
- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act; and
- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

(Unexpended Revenues)

- <u>SECTION 98.</u> (1) The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Account is abolished.
- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

SECTION 99. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 96 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and

pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 100. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 96 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 101. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 96 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 96 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology to the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology or an officer or employee of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 102. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, or an officer or employee of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 96 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 103. ORS 681.260 is amended to read:

681.260. An applicant is eligible for licensing by the [State Board of Examiners for Speech-

- 1 Language Pathology and Audiology] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** as a speech-language pathologist if the applicant:
 - (1) Possesses a master's or doctoral degree in speech-language pathology from an educational institution accredited by an accrediting organization approved by the [board] **State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology**, or an equivalent degree as determined by the board;
 - (2) Completed all requirements for the degree required by subsection (1) of this section at an educational institution accredited by an accrediting organization approved by the board;
 - (3) Has completed supervised clinical experience required by the board by rule;
 - (4) Has passed examinations required by the board by rule; and
 - (5) Meets other requirements established by the board by rule.
 - SECTION 104. ORS 681.264 is amended to read:

- 681.264. An applicant is eligible for licensing by the [State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** as an audiologist if the applicant:
 - (1) Possesses a degree from an educational institution accredited by an accrediting organization approved by the [board] State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology that meets the following requirements:
- (a) If the degree was awarded on or before August 30, 2007, the applicant must possess a master's or doctoral degree in audiology; or
- (b) If the degree was awarded after August 30, 2007, the applicant must possess a doctoral degree with an emphasis in audiology, or an equivalent degree as determined by the board;
- (2) Completed all requirements for the degree required by subsection (1) of this section at an educational institution accredited by an accrediting organization approved by the board;
 - (3) Has completed supervised clinical experience required by the board by rule;
 - (4) Has passed examinations required by the board by rule; and
 - (5) Meets other requirements established by the board by rule.
 - **SECTION 105.** ORS 681.270 is amended to read:
- 681.270. (1) A person desiring to obtain a license or conditional license from the [State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this chapter shall make application to the [board] agency.
- (2) The application shall be made upon a form and in the manner prescribed by the [board] agency.
- (3) The application required by this section shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable application fee established by the [board] State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.

SECTION 106. ORS 681.285 is amended to read:

- 681.285. (1) The [State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology may adopt rules allowing for the issuance of Oregon Health Licensing Agency may issue a temporary speech-language pathology or audiology license or a temporary speech-language pathology assistant certificate to applicants meeting requirements established by the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology by rule.
- (2) The board may establish fees for temporary licenses and certificates.
- **SECTION 106a.** ORS 681.300 is amended to read:
- 45 681.300. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency, in accordance with rules adopted by the

- State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, may waive the examination described in ORS 681.290 and grant a license to:
- 3 (1) An applicant who holds the Certificate of Clinical Competence of the American Speech-4 Language-Hearing Association in the area for which the person is applying for a license.
 - (2) An audiology applicant who is certified by the American Board of Audiology.

SECTION 107. ORS 681.320 is amended to read:

- 681.320. (1) On or before December 31 of each odd-numbered year, or on or before such date as may be specified by rule of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, each licensed speech-language pathologist or audiologist shall submit to the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency an application for renewal of license and pay the renewal fee established by the board. The application shall include the following:
- (a) Evidence of participation in professional development. Participation in professional development includes continuing education or other demonstrations of professional development that the board may recognize by rule.
 - (b) Evidence of compliance with all other requirements established by the board.
- (2) A person who applies for renewal and whose license has expired may not be required to submit to any examination as a condition to renewal if the renewal application is made within four years from the date of expiration of the license.
- (3) A suspended license is subject to expiration and must be renewed as provided in this section, but renewal does not entitle the licensee while the license remains suspended to engage in the licensed activity, or in any other activity or conduct that violates the order or judgment by which the license was suspended.
- (4) A license revoked on disciplinary grounds is subject to expiration and may not be renewed. If the license is reinstated after its expiration, the licensee, as a condition of reinstatement, shall pay a reinstatement fee in an amount equal to the renewal fee in effect on the last preceding regular renewal date before the date on which it is reinstated, plus a delinquency fee, if any, accrued at the time of revocation of the license.
- (5) A person who fails to renew a license within the four years after its expiration may not renew the license. The license may not be restored, reissued or reinstated thereafter, but the person may reapply for and obtain a new license if the person meets the requirements of this chapter and rules adopted by the board.

SECTION 108. ORS 681.325 is amended to read:

- 681.325. (1) A conditional license permits an individual to practice speech-language pathology or audiology while the person completes the licensing requirements of this chapter.
- (2) The [State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** may issue a conditional license to practice speech-language pathology or audiology to an applicant who:
- (a) Except for the examination and supervised post-graduate professional practice in speech-language pathology or audiology, meets the license requirements under ORS 681.260 or 681.264 and the applicable rules of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology; and
- (b) Demonstrates to the satisfaction of the [board] agency that for the term of the conditional license the applicant will practice speech-language pathology or audiology only under the supervision of a speech-language pathologist or audiologist under this chapter.
 - (3) A conditional license expires on the first anniversary of its effective date.

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- 1 (4) The [board] agency may renew the conditional license for one additional one-year term if the holder:
 - (a) Continues to meet the requirements of subsection (2) of this section;
- 4 (b) Submits a conditional license renewal application to the [board] agency on [the] a form that 5 the [board] agency requires; and
 - (c) Pays to the [board] agency a conditional license renewal fee established by the board.
- 7 **SECTION 109.** ORS 681.340 is amended to read:
- 8 681.340. (1) The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology may,
- by rule, [impose] adopt fees, to be collected by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, for the following:
 - (a) License or certificate fee and renewal thereof.
- 12 (b) Delinquency fee.

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- (c) Application fee.
- 14 (d) Inactive license fee.
- 15 (e) Conditional license fee and renewal thereof.
- 16 (f) Temporary license or certificate fee and renewal thereof.
 - (2) Every person to whom a license is issued shall, as a condition precedent to its issuance, and in addition to any application, examination or other fee, pay the prescribed initial license fee. The board may, by rule, provide for waiver of such fee where the license is issued less than 45 days before the date on which it will expire.
 - (3) Fees established by the board under subsection (1) of this section shall be in accordance with ORS 291.050 to 291.060.
 - (4) The fees collected by the [board] **agency** are exclusive and a municipality may not require any person licensed under the provisions of this chapter to furnish any bond or pass any examination.

SECTION 110. ORS 681.350 is amended to read:

- 681.350. (1) [The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] In addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may refuse to issue or renew any license or conditional license under this chapter, may suspend or revoke any license or conditional license under this chapter, may reprimand any licensee or conditional licensee under this chapter or may place any licensee or conditional licensee on probation under this chapter if the applicant, licensee or conditional licensee has:
- (a) Obtained or attempted to obtain a license or conditional license by means of fraud, misrepresentation, or concealment of material facts.
 - (b) Violated any ethical standards of practice established under ORS 681.420.
- (c) Violated any lawful order or rule of the [board] State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology.
 - (d) Violated any provisions of this chapter.
 - (e) Been disciplined by a professional licensing board in another state or in this state.
- (f) An impairment as defined in ORS 676.303.
- (2) An applicant, a licensee or a conditional licensee is entitled to an opportunity for a hearing that complies with all applicable requirements of ORS chapter 183 before the [board] agency takes final action under subsection (1) of this section.
- (3) A person whose license has been revoked or whose application for a license has been denied may apply for reinstatement or licensure only under conditions, if any, set forth in the [board's]

agency's final order of revocation or denial of license.

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(4) In disciplining a licensee or a conditional licensee **under this section**, the [board] **agency** may impose any disciplinary action the [board] **agency** finds proper, including assessment of costs of the disciplinary proceedings as a civil penalty.

SECTION 111. ORS 681.360 is amended to read:

- 681.360. (1) A person may not perform the duties of a speech-language pathology assistant or use the title speech-language pathology assistant without a certificate to do so issued under this section.
- (2) To obtain a certificate to perform the duties of a speech-language pathology assistant, a person shall:
- (a) Submit an application in the form prescribed by the [State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency**;
- (b) Pay the certificate fee established by the [board] State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
- (c) Demonstrate that the person meets the qualifications for certification established by the board; and
 - (d) Comply with all other requirements for certification established by the board.
- (3) A certificate issued under this section expires every two years. To renew a certificate to perform the duties of a speech-language pathology assistant, a person shall:
 - (a) Submit the renewal application in the form prescribed by the [board] agency;
 - (b) Pay the renewal fee established by the board; and
- (c) Comply with all other requirements for certificate renewal established by the board, including but not limited to submission of evidence of participation in professional development activities.
- (4) A person may not employ or otherwise use the services of a speech-language pathology assistant unless the speech-language pathology assistant is certified under this section.
- (5) The board may establish by rule qualifications and conditions under which a person not licensed under this chapter who holds a basic or standard teaching license in speech impaired or an initial or continuing teaching license in communication disorders issued by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission may supervise a speech-language pathology assistant working in a school.
- (6) The [board] **agency** may refuse to issue a certificate, or may suspend or revoke the certificate, of any certified speech-language pathology assistant pursuant to the provisions of ORS 681.350.

SECTION 112. ORS 681.420 is amended to read:

- 681.420. (1) The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall:
- [(1) Administer, coordinate and enforce the provisions of this chapter;]
- [(2)] (a) [Evaluate] Adopt by rule the qualifications [of applicants] for any license as issued under this chapter and supervise the examination of such applicants;
 - [(3) Investigate persons engaging in practices which violate the provisions of this chapter;]
- [(4)] (b) Conduct hearings and keep records and minutes as the board deems necessary to an orderly dispatch of business;
- 41 [(5)] (c) Adopt rules and regulations, including but not limited to governing ethical standards 42 of practice under this chapter; and
 - [(6)] (d) Adopt a seal by which the board shall authenticate its proceedings.
- 42 (2) Copies of [the] proceedings, records and acts of the board, signed by the executive director or chairperson of the board and stamped with the seal adopted under subsection (1)(d) of this

- section, shall be prima facie evidence of the truth of such documents.
 - (3) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall:

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- (a) Administer, coordinate and enforce the provisions of this chapter;
- (b) Evaluate the qualifications of applicants for licenses issued under this chapter in accordance with rules adopted by the board; and
 - (c) Investigate persons engaging in practices that violate the provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 113. ORS 681.440 is amended to read:

- 681.440. (1) All meetings of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology for the consideration of and action on matters coming before the board are open to the public, except:
 - [(1)] (a) Matters involving the management of internal affairs of the board and its staff may be considered and acted upon by the board in executive meetings under rules prescribed by the board.
 - [(2)] (b) Sessions to prepare, approve, grade or administer examinations.
- [(3)] (c) Upon request of a person who has failed the licensing examination and is appearing to appeal the failing grade.
- [(4)] (2) An investigation by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency into licensee or applicant conduct or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee or applicant conduct [to the extent made confidential by ORS 676.175] is subject to section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 114. ORS 681.480 is amended to read:

681.480. [The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. All moneys received by the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology under this chapter shall be deposited into the account and are continuously appropriated to the board for the administration and enforcement of this chapter. Any interest or other income from moneys in the account shall be credited to the account.] All moneys received by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this chapter shall be deposited in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated to the agency for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

SECTION 115. ORS 681.490 is amended to read:

681.490. (1) [The State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] **The**Oregon Health Licensing Agency:

- (a) May, upon its own motion, investigate any alleged violation of this chapter.
- (b) Shall, upon the complaint of any resident of this state, investigate any alleged violation of this chapter.
 - [(2) In the conduct of investigations, the board may:]
- 37 [(a) Take evidence;]
- 38 [(b) Take the depositions of witnesses, including the person charged, in the manner provided by law 39 in civil cases;]
- [(c) Compel the appearance of witnesses, including the person charged, before the board in person the same as in civil cases;]
 - [(d) Require answers to interrogatories; and]
- [(e) Compel the production of books, papers, accounts, documents and testimony pertaining to the matter under investigation.]
- 45 [(3) In exercising its authority under subsection (2) of this section, the board may issue subpoenas

over the signature of the board chairperson, vice chairperson or executive director and the seal of the board in the name of the State of Oregon.]

- [(4)] (2) The [board] agency may bring a cause of action for injunction or other appropriate remedy to enforce any provision of this chapter.
- [(5)] (3) In addition to or in lieu of any other sanction [permitted under this chapter] provided by law, the [board] agency may impose a civil penalty of up to \$5,000 for each violation of the provisions of this chapter or rules adopted by the [board] State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology under this chapter. A civil penalty imposed under this section shall be imposed in the manner provided in ORS 183.745.

SECTION 116. ORS 681.495 is amended to read:

- 681.495. (1) Upon receipt of a complaint under this chapter, the [State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165. Upon receipt of a complaint under this chapter, the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology shall report the complaint to the agency.
- (2) Any information the agency or board obtains under this section is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 117. ORS 681.505 is amended to read:

- 681.505. (1)(a) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, a [licensee of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology] person licensed under this chapter shall report any suspected violation of this chapter or any prohibited conduct as defined in ORS 676.150 in the manner provided in ORS 676.150.
- (b) Any person may report to the [board] State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency any suspected violation of this chapter.
- (2) A person who has made a complaint as to the conduct of an applicant[,] for a license in or a licensee or conditional licensee of [the board] speech-language pathology or audiology or who has given information or testimony relative to a proposed or pending proceeding for misconduct against the applicant, licensee or conditional licensee [of the board] is not answerable for any such act in any proceeding except for perjury.

STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

(Transfer)

SECTION 118. The duties, functions and powers of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 125 to 141 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

SECTION 119. (1) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall:

(a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the

jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act; and

- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

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(Unexpended Revenues)

SECTION 120. (1) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners Account is abolished.

- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

SECTION 121. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 118 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 122. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun

before the operative date of section 118 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 123. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 118 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 118 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners or an officer or employee of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 124. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, or an officer or employee of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 118 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 125. ORS 684.040, as amended by section 14, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:

684.040. (1) Any person applying for a license to practice chiropractic in this state shall make application to the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, upon such form and in such manner as may be provided by the board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency in a form and manner prescribed by the agency. The application must be accompanied by nonrefundable fees of:

- (a) \$150; and
- (b) The amount established by the [board] **State Board of Chiropractic Examiners** by rule under ORS 181.534.
 - (2) Each applicant shall furnish to the [board] agency:
 - (a) Evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency of the applicant's good moral character.
- (b) A certificate of proficiency in the fundamental sciences (Part I, taken subsequent to January 1, 1971) issued to the applicant by the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners.
- (c) Evidence of successful completion of at least two years of liberal arts and sciences study, in any college or university accredited by either the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges or a like regional association or in any college or university in Oregon approved for granting degrees by the Oregon Student Access Commission.
 - (d) A diploma and transcript, certified by the registrar, or other documents satisfactory to the

- [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] agency evidencing graduation from a chiropractic school or college approved by the board under the board's academic standards, or from a school accredited by the Council on Chiropractic Education or its successor agency, under standards that are accepted and adopted biennially by the board in the version applied to that school by the accrediting agency.
- (e) A statement of any other health care provider license in this state held by the applicant, with identifying information required by the [State] board [of Chiropractic Examiners] by rule.
- (3) An applicant meets the requirements of subsection (2)(c) or (d) of this section if the applicant provides the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] agency with documentation of military training or experience that the [board] agency determines, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, is substantially equivalent to the education required by subsection (2)(c) or (d) of this section.
- (4) [The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] In accordance with rules adopted by the board, the agency may waive the requirements of subsection (2)(c) of this section for any applicant for a license to practice chiropractic if the applicant is licensed in another state and practiced chiropractic in that state, but the applicant must pass the examination authorized by ORS 684.050 or by ORS 684.052.

SECTION 125a. ORS 684.050 is amended to read:

- 684.050. (1) Examinations for license to practice chiropractic shall be made by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners according to the method deemed to be the most practicable to test the applicant's qualifications.
- (2) The board shall give an examination on subjects described in subsection (3) of this section. The board shall determine the passing score. The applicant shall, however, be given credit for all sections passed. The board may authorize an applicant to retake all or part of an examination upon payment to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency of a fee not to exceed \$100.
- (3) The schedule of minimum educational requirements to enable any person to practice chiropractic in this state includes the basic science subjects of anatomy, physiology, chemistry, pathology and public health and hygiene; also the clinical subjects of physical diagnosis, differential diagnosis, laboratory diagnosis, theory and practice of chiropractic, nutrition and dietetics, physiotherapy, electrotherapy, hydrotherapy, chiropractic orthopedics, written and practical roentgenology, eye-ear-nose-throat, proctology, obstetrics and gynecology, minor surgery, jurisprudence, psychology, office procedure and other subjects that the board may, from time to time, require, except internal medicine and major surgery. The minimum number of academic hours in an approved chiropractic college may not be less than 4,200 or the equivalent requirement in semester or quarter credits. The board may recognize a national chiropractic testing agency for grades received in both basic science and clinical subjects.

SECTION 126. ORS 684.054 is amended to read:

- 684.054. (1) Upon complying with ORS 684.040, and earning a passing grade on the examination [authorized] administered or accepted by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners under ORS 684.050 or 684.052, an applicant shall be licensed by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency as a chiropractic physician upon payment of a fee of \$100 unless the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] agency refuses to grant the license on grounds specified in ORS 684.100.
- (2) Every chiropractic physician shall promptly notify the [board] **agency** of any change in the professional address of the chiropractic physician.
- (3) After meeting the standards of the board established under ORS 684.155 for ancillary personnel, an applicant shall be certified by the agency as ancillary personnel upon payment of a fee

of \$50. The annual renewal fee for the certificate is \$50. In addition, the [board] **agency** may charge an application fee of \$25 and an examination fee of \$35.

SECTION 127. ORS 684.060 is amended to read:

684.060. A person licensed to practice chiropractic under the laws of any other state who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency that the person possesses qualifications at least equal to those required of persons eligible for [licensing] licensure under this chapter and who meets the requirements of ORS 684.040 may be issued a license to practice in this state without examination upon payment of a fee of \$100. [In addition, the board may fix] The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners may adopt by rule the minimum number of years of practice required to qualify for a license under this section.

SECTION 128. ORS 684.090 is amended to read:

684.090. (1) In addition to meeting the requirements of ORS 684.092, each person practicing chiropractic within this state shall, on or before the renewal date of each year after a license is issued to the person, pay to the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency an annual registration fee in an amount determined by rule of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners [and approved by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services].

- (2) The maximum annual registration fee for a person actively practicing chiropractic may not exceed \$300.
- (3) The maximum annual registration fee for a person not actively practicing chiropractic may not exceed \$175.
- (4) The maximum annual registration fee for an active senior may not exceed 75 percent of the annual active registration fee.
- (5) The [board] agency, at least 30 days prior to the renewal date, shall mail to the last-known professional address of each licensed chiropractor in this state a notice of the requirements of ORS 684.092 and that the registration fee will be due on or before the renewal date next following.
- (6) The annual registration fee is payable only by personal, corporate or certified check, by money order or by credit card.
- (7) The failure, neglect or refusal of any person holding a license or certificate to practice under this chapter to pay the annual fee and to show compliance with or exemption from the requirement of ORS 684.092 during the time the license remains in force shall cause the license to expire after a period of 30 days from the renewal date of the year for which the failure occurs.
- (8) The licenses not renewed on time shall not be renewed except upon written application and a payment to the [board] agency of the fee for the license category plus a delinquent fee of \$100 for each week or portion thereof, not to exceed \$500, and upon compliance with or exemption from the requirements of ORS 684.092. A licensee who pays the annual renewal fee and shows compliance or exemption within 12 months of the expiration date of the license shall not be required to submit to an examination for the reissuance of a license.

SECTION 129. ORS 684.092 is amended to read:

684.092. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a chiropractic physician submitting a fee under ORS 684.090 shall, at the same time, [verify with] submit satisfactory evidence to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency of the successful completion of [approved] continuing chiropractic education approved by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners during the preceding 12-month period as provided in subsection (2) of this section and completion, or documentation of previous completion, of:

(a) A pain management education program approved by the [State] board [of Chiropractic Ex-

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- *aminers*] and developed in conjunction with the Pain Management Commission established under 2 ORS 413.570; or
 - (b) An equivalent pain management education program, as determined by the board.
 - (2) A chiropractic physician submitting a fee under ORS 684.090 shall verify completion during the previous 12-month period of:
 - (a) At least 20 hours of approved continuing chiropractic education, for a person actively practicing chiropractic.
 - (b) At least six hours of approved continuing chiropractic education, for an active senior.
 - (3) In accordance with rules adopted by the [State] board [of Chiropractic Examiners], the agency may exempt a chiropractic physician from the requirements of subsection (1) of this section upon an application by the chiropractic physician showing by evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency that the chiropractic physician is unable to comply with the requirements because of unusual or extenuating circumstances or because no program has been approved by the board.

SECTION 130. ORS 684.094 is amended to read:

684.094. (1) [The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall require] A person seeking approval of a program of continuing chiropractic education [to submit proof] shall submit proof to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency that the course complies with the continuing education requirements established by the [board] State Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

- (2) The board may approve **by rule** any program covering new, review, experimental, research or specialty subjects in the field of chiropractic to be presented by persons reasonably qualified to do so.
- (3) Approval granted to a program under subsection (2) of this section shall be reviewed periodically and approval shall be withdrawn from a program that fails to meet the requirements of the board.

SECTION 131. ORS 684.100 is amended to read:

684.100. (1) [The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] In addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may refuse to grant a license to [any] an applicant for licensure under this chapter or may discipline a person subject to the provisions of this chapter upon any of the following grounds:

- (a) Fraud or misrepresentation.
- (b) The practice of chiropractic under a false or assumed name.
- (c) The impersonation of another practitioner of like or different name.
- (d) A conviction of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude. A copy of the record of conviction, certified to by the clerk of the court entering the conviction, is conclusive evidence of the conviction.
 - (e) Impairment as defined in ORS 676.303.
 - (f) Unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, including but not limited to:
- (A) Any conduct or practice contrary to recognized standard of ethics of the chiropractic profession or any conduct or practice that does or might constitute a danger to the health or safety of a patient or the public or any conduct, practice or condition that does or might adversely affect a physician's ability safely and skillfully to practice chiropractic.
- (B) Willful ordering or performance of unnecessary laboratory tests or studies; administration of unnecessary treatment; failure to obtain consultations or perform referrals when failing to do so is not consistent with the standard of care; or otherwise ordering or performing any chiropractic service, X-ray or treatment that is contrary to recognized standards of practice of the chiropractic

profession.

- (C) Gross malpractice or repeated malpractice.
- (g) Failing to notify the [board] **agency** of a change in location of practice as provided in ORS 684.054.
- (h) Representing to a patient that a manifestly incurable condition of sickness, disease or injury can be permanently cured.
 - (i) The use of any advertising making untruthful, improper, misleading or deceptive statements.
- (j) The advertising of techniques or modalities to infer or imply superiority of treatment or diagnosis by the use thereof that cannot be conclusively proven [to the satisfaction of the board] as determined by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners by rule.
- (k) Knowingly permitting or allowing any person to use the license of the person in the practice of any system or mode of treating the sick.
- (L) Advertising either in the name of the person or under the name of another person, clinic or concern, actual or pretended, in any newspaper, pamphlet, circular or other written or printed paper or document, professing superiority to or a greater skill than that possessed by other chiropractic physicians that cannot be conclusively proven [to the satisfaction of the board] as determined by the board by rule.
 - (m) Aiding or abetting the practice of any of the healing arts by an unlicensed person.
- (n) The use of the name of the person under the designation, "Doctor," "Dr.," "D.C.," "Chiropractor," "Chiropractic D.C.," "Chiropractic Physician," or "Ph.C.," or any similar designation with reference to the commercial exploitation of any goods, wares or merchandise.
- (o) The advertising or holding oneself out to treat diseases or other abnormal conditions of the human body by any secret formula, method, treatment or procedure.
 - (p) Violation of any provision of this chapter or any rule adopted thereunder.
 - (q) Gross incompetency or gross negligence.
- (r) The suspension or revocation by another state of a license to practice chiropractic, based upon acts by the licensee similar to acts described in this section. A certified copy of the record of suspension or revocation of the state making the suspension or revocation is conclusive evidence thereof.
- (s) Failing to give prior notice to patients of the permanent or temporary closure of the physician's practice or failing to give reasonable access to the records and files of the physician's patients at any time.
- (t) The suspension or revocation by another licensing board in the state of a license to practice as another type of health care provider.
- (u) An act or conduct that results in a judgment of wrongdoing by a court of competent jurisdiction in any state or a finding of wrongdoing in an administrative proceeding in any state. The act or conduct must be rationally connected to the ability to practice chiropractic or chiropractic assisting.
- (2) The [board] agency may, at any time two years or more after the refusal, revocation or cancellation of registration under this section, [by a majority vote,] issue a license restoring to or conferring on the person all the rights and privileges of the practice of chiropractic as defined and regulated by this chapter. Any person to whom those rights have been restored shall pay to the [board] agency the annual registration fee for the license category plus one-half thereof.
- (3) If the [board] agency determines that a chiropractic physician's continuation in practice would constitute a serious danger to the public, the [board] agency may suspend the license of the

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chiropractic physician without a hearing. Simultaneously with the order of suspension, the [board] agency must institute proceedings for a hearing provided under this section and the suspension may continue unless injunctive relief is obtained from a court of competent jurisdiction showing just cause or undue burden under the circumstances existing.

- [(4) If a physician refuses a written request for an informal interview with the board, the board shall have grounds to suspend or revoke the license of a physician pursuant to this section.]
- [(5) Prior to or following an informal interview as described in this section, the board may request any Oregon licensed chiropractic physician in good standing to assist the board in preparing for or conducting any professional competency examination as the board may deem appropriate.]
- [(6) Notwithstanding any other provisions of ORS 684.010, 684.040, 684.050, 684.090, 684.100, 684.112, 684.130, 684.150 and 684.155, the board may at any time direct and order a professional competency examination limited to the area of practice out of which a specific complaint has arisen and make an investigation, including the taking of depositions or otherwise in order to fully inform itself with respect to the performance or conduct of a physician licensed under ORS 684.010, 684.040, 684.050, 684.090, 684.100, 684.112, 684.130, 684.150 and 684.155.]
 - [(7)] (4) If the [board] agency has reasonable cause to believe that any:
- (a) Chiropractic physician is or may be unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety to patients, the [board] agency may[:]
- [(A)] cause a competency examination, to be developed by the board in accordance with ORS 684.185 and rules adopted by the board, of the physician for purposes of determining the physician's fitness to practice chiropractic with reasonable skill and safety to patients[; or]
- [(B) Require the fingerprints and relevant personal history data of the physician for the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534].
- (b) Person certified to provide physiotherapy, electrotherapy or hydrotherapy pursuant to ORS 684.155 [(1)(c)] (1)(a)(C) is or may be unable to provide the therapies with reasonable skill and safety to patients, the [board] agency may[:]
- [(A)] cause a competency examination, to be developed by the board in accordance with ORS 684.185 and rules adopted by the board, of the person for purposes of determining the person's fitness to provide the therapies with reasonable skill and safety to patients[; or]
- [(B) Require the fingerprints and relevant personal history data of the person for the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534].
- [(8)] (5) Refusal by any person to take or appear for a competency examination scheduled by the [board] agency or to submit fingerprints and relevant personal history data as required by the [board] agency under subsection [(7)] (4) of this section shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.
- [(9)] (6) In disciplining a person as authorized by subsection (1) of this section, the [board may use any or all of the following methods] agency may impose any of the following sanctions:
 - (a) Suspend judgment.

- (b) Place the person on probation.
- (c) Suspend the license of the person to practice chiropractic in this state.
- 41 (d) Revoke the license of the person to practice chiropractic in this state.
 - (e) Place limitations on the license of the person to practice chiropractic in this state.
 - (f) Impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000.
 - (g) Take other disciplinary action as the [board] agency in its discretion finds proper, including assessment of the costs of the disciplinary proceedings.

[(10)(a)] (7)(a) Any information that the [board] agency obtains pursuant to this section and ORS [684.100,] 684.112 and 684.155 [(9)] (2) is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.

(b) Any person who reports or provides information to the **agency or** board under **this section** and ORS 684.090, [684.100,] 684.112, 684.150 and 684.155 and who provides information in good faith shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.

SECTION 132. ORS 684.105 is amended to read:

684.105. (1) Where the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency proposes to refuse to issue a license under this chapter, or proposes to revoke or suspend a license under this chapter, opportunity for hearing shall be accorded as provided in ORS chapter 183.

(2) Judicial review of orders under subsection (1) of this section shall be in accordance with ORS chapter 183.

SECTION 133. ORS 684.112 is amended to read:

684.112. A person licensed under this chapter, who is also licensed to practice any other healing art, shall maintain in-office and patient records and files, the services provided to the patient, diagnostic and therapeutic procedures employed, the nature of such procedures and services and whether such procedures and services were rendered as a chiropractor. Such records pertaining to a specific complaint shall be submitted to the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency for inspection at its request.

SECTION 134. ORS 684.150 is amended to read:

684.150. (1) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall adopt a seal which shall be affixed to all licenses issued by it. The board shall from time to time adopt such rules as it deems proper and necessary for the administration of this chapter and the performance of its work. [Upon receipt of a complaint, the board has authority to make investigations, administer oaths, take affidavits, summon witnesses, and require the production of evidence, documents and records pertaining to the complaint. The board may also take testimony as to matters pertaining to its duties and for the administration of this chapter.] A majority of the board constitutes a quorum.

- (2) The board shall meet as a board of examiners during the months of January and July each year on such days and at such times and places as may be found necessary for the performance of its duties.
- (3) The board shall adopt a schedule of minimum educational requirements, which shall be without prejudice or discrimination as to the different colleges teaching chiropractic.
- (4) Upon receipt of a complaint under this chapter, the board shall report the complaint to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. Any information the agency or board obtains under this subsection is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 135. ORS 684.155 is amended to read:

- 684.155. (1) In addition to any other powers granted by this chapter, the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners may:
 - [(1)] (a) Adopt necessary and proper rules:
- [(a)] (A) Establishing standards and tests to determine the moral, intellectual, educational, scientific, technical and professional qualifications of applicants for licenses to practice in this state.
- [(b)] (B) To enforce the provisions of this chapter and to exercise general supervision over the practice of chiropractic within this state.
- [(c)(A)] (C)(i) To establish standards and procedures to certify ancillary personnel as qualified

to provide physiotherapy, electrotherapy or hydrotherapy under the direction of a chiropractic physician, and to establish continuing education requirements as a condition of maintaining such certification.

- [(B)] (ii) As used in this [paragraph] subparagraph, "ancillary personnel" means a chiropractic physician's staff personnel who are directed or designated, by spoken or written words or other means, to follow and carry out the chiropractic physician's orders or directions.
- [(2) Issue, deny, suspend and revoke licenses and limited licenses, assess costs of proceedings and place persons on probation as provided in this chapter.]
- [(3) Without the necessity of prior administrative proceedings or hearing and entry of an order or at any time during such proceedings if they have been commenced, institute proceedings to enjoin the practice of any person operating in violation of this chapter.]
- [(4)] **(b)** Make its personnel and facilities available to other regulatory agencies of this state, or other bodies interested in the development and improvement of the practice of chiropractic in this state, upon such terms and conditions for reimbursement as are agreed to by the board and the other agency or body.
- [(5)] (c) Determine the chiropractic schools, colleges and institutions and the training acceptable in connection with licensing under this chapter and approve residency, internship and other training programs carried on by chiropractic schools, colleges or institutions or chiropractic facilities.
- [(6)] (d) Prescribe the time, place, method, manner, scope and subjects of examinations under this chapter.
- [(7) Prescribe all forms that it considers appropriate for the purposes of this chapter, and Require the submission of photographs and relevant personal history data by applicants for licenses to practice chiropractic in this state.]
- [(8) For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534 require each applicant for a license or certification, or renewal of a license or certification, to be fingerprinted.]
- [(9) Subject to ORS 684.150, administer oaths, issue notices and subpoens in the name of the board, enforce subpoens in the manner authorized by ORS 183.440, hold hearings and perform such other acts as are reasonably necessary to carry out its duties under this chapter.]
- [(10)] (e) Establish specialty certificate requirements within the practice of chiropractic, adopt rules applicable to specialty certification and require specialty certification for chiropractic physicians engaging in practices identified by the board as requiring specialty certification.
- (2) In addition to any other powers granted by this chapter, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may:
- (a) Upon receipt of a complaint relating to the practice of chiropractic, make investigations, administer oaths, take affidavits, summon witnesses, and require the production of evidence, documents and records pertaining to the complaint.
- (b) Issue, deny, suspend and revoke licenses and limited licenses, assess costs of proceedings and place persons on probation as provided in this chapter.
- (c) Without the necessity of prior administrative proceedings or hearing and entry of an order, or at any time during such proceedings if they have been commenced, institute proceedings to enjoin the practice of any person operating in violation of this chapter.
- (d) Develop forms for making applications to practice chiropractic in this state and require the submission of photographs and relevant personal history data as part of such applications.

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SECTION 136. ORS 684.156 is amended to read:

684.156. The lapse, suspension or revocation of a license issued under ORS chapter 684 by the operation of law or by order of the [State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] Oregon Health Licensing Agency or by the decision of a court of law, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee, shall not deprive the [board] agency of jurisdiction to proceed with any investigation of or any action or disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to revise or render null and void an order of disciplinary action against the licensee.

SECTION 137. ORS 684.160 is amended to read:

684.160. (1) A member of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners is entitled to compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495. The board may provide by rule for compensation to board members for the performance of official duties at a rate that is greater than the rate provided in ORS 292.495.

(2) Such per diem and mileage, and other incidental expenses necessarily connected with the board shall be paid out of the [account of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners and not otherwise] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account.

SECTION 138. ORS 684.171 is amended to read:

684.171. [All moneys received by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners under this chapter shall be paid into the General Fund in the State Treasury and placed to the credit of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners Account which is hereby established and such moneys are appropriated continuously and shall be used only for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.] All moneys received by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this chapter shall be deposited in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated to the agency for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

SECTION 139. ORS 684.185 is amended to read:

684.185. (1) The State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall appoint and form peer review committees. The peer review committee shall evaluate complaints against chiropractic physicians that are referred to it by the board and report to the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency regarding those complaints.

- (2) The members of a peer review committee shall be appointed from among those in the profession who are in active practice with five or more years of practice representing various geographic areas in this state. Members shall be representative of affiliated and nonaffiliated chiropractic physicians and representative of various aspects of the practice of chiropractic. To be appointed a member must receive at least four votes from members of the state board. Members shall serve three-year terms. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms.
- (3) The peer review process shall be governed by rules of the [state] board adopted pursuant to ORS chapter 183. The [state] board shall provide appropriate training for members of peer review committees.
- (4) Members of a peer review committee acting pursuant to this section are agents of the [state] board and are subject to provisions of ORS 30.260 to 30.300.
 - (5) Peer review shall not be used to replace independent medical examinations.
- (6) Upon receipt of a complaint under this chapter, the peer review committee shall conduct an investigation as [described] authorized under ORS 676.165.
- (7) Any information provided to a peer review committee in the performance of its duties is confidential and shall not be subject to public disclosure or admissible as evidence in any judicial proceeding, except that as a part of a peer review report, [this] the information may be disclosed

- to the [state board] agency and the person being reviewed who may then use the information in any disciplinary or court proceeding brought by the [board] agency. Peer review committee information that becomes part of the record of [a board] an agency investigation into licensee or applicant conduct or part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee or applicant conduct is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (8) Any person who reports or provides information to a peer review committee in the performance of its duties and who provides information in good faith shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.

SECTION 140. ORS 684.190 is amended to read:

- 684.190. (1) The district attorneys shall prosecute all persons charged with violation of any of the provisions of this chapter. The [executive director of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, under the direction of the board,] Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall aid the district attorneys in the enforcement of this chapter.
- (2) The justice courts of the several counties have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts in the enforcement of this chapter.

SECTION 141. ORS 684.200 is amended to read:

- 684.200. (1)(a) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, any licensee licensed by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners shall report any suspected violation of this chapter or any prohibited conduct as defined in ORS 676.150 in the manner provided in ORS 676.150.
- (b) Any person may report to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or the board any suspected violation of this chapter.
- (2) Information pertaining to a report required by subsection (1) of this section shall remain confidential and is not subject to public disclosure except as considered necessary by the **agency or** board in the enforcement of this chapter.
- (3) Any person who reports or provides information to the **agency or** board under this section in good faith is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.

OREGON BOARD OF NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE

(Transfer)

SECTION 142. The duties, functions and powers of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 149 to 167 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

SECTION 143. (1) The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine shall:

- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act; and
 - (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily

in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act.

- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

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(Unexpended Revenues)

- SECTION 144. (1) The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine Account is abolished.
- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

SECTION 145. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 142 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

- SECTION 146. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.
- (2) The rights and obligations of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 142 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and

obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 147. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 142 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 142 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine to the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine or an officer or employee of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 148. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, or an officer or employee of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 142 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 149. ORS 685.070 is amended to read:

685.070. Any person who wishes to practice naturopathic medicine in this state shall make application to the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency for an examination for a license to practice naturopathic medicine. The application shall be filed with the [board] agency not less than 20 days before the date of the examination [upon blanks] on a form provided by the [board] agency. The applicant shall pay to the [board] agency the appropriate nonrefundable examination fee.

SECTION 150. ORS 685.080 is amended to read:

685.080. (1) An applicant for licensure under this chapter shall:

- (a) Provide evidence satisfactory to the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency of having successfully passed the basic science and the core clinical science examinations administered by the North American Board of Naturopathic Examiners; and
- (b) Pass any additional examinations required for licensure by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine by rule.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(a) of this section, the [board may waive] agency may waive, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, the basic science examination requirement for licensure for an applicant who is qualified in basic science as a result of successful performance on an examination determined by the board by rule to be comparable to the basic science examination required under subsection (1)(a) of this section and to have been taken recently enough to ensure the currency of the applicant's knowledge.

- (3) At a time and place designated by the board, an applicant for licensure shall take any examinations required by the board by rule. The board shall publish the time and place of the examinations at least 30 days prior to the date of the examinations.
- (4) If the applicant passes the required examinations and satisfies all other requirements for licensure under this chapter, upon payment of the initial license fee assessed under ORS 685.100, the [board] agency shall issue to the applicant a license to practice naturopathic medicine.
- (5) If an applicant fails an examination required under this section, the board may permit the applicant to take the examination again in accordance with rules adopted by the board.

SECTION 151. ORS 685.085 is amended to read:

685.085. A person licensed to practice naturopathic medicine under the laws of another state or territory of the United States, the District of Columbia or Canada who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency that the person possesses qualifications at least equal to those required of persons eligible for licensing under this chapter and rules adopted by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine may be issued a license to practice in this state without written examination upon payment of the license fee required under ORS 685.100.

SECTION 152. ORS 685.091 is amended to read:

685.091. (1) A naturopathic physician licensed to practice naturopathic medicine under the laws of another jurisdiction with licensing requirements and a scope of practice found to be comparable to those for this state by the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency, or set forth as being comparable to those for this state by rule of the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, may be exempted from the licensure requirement in ORS 685.020 if that physician:

- (a) Is practicing in Oregon on a temporary assignment for specific educational events not to exceed 15 days in a calendar year; and
- (b) Is actively engaged in the practice of naturopathic medicine in the jurisdiction in which the person is licensed.
 - (2) A naturopathic physician granted an exemption under subsection (1) of this section:
- (a) Must comply with the provisions of this chapter and rules adopted by the board governing the practice of naturopathic medicine; and
- (b) Is subject to the disciplinary authority of the [board] agency under ORS 685.110 for any violation of the provisions of this chapter and of rules adopted by the board.
- (3) The [board] **agency** may refuse to grant or may revoke an exemption of a naturopathic physician for a violation of the provisions of this chapter or of rules adopted by the board.

SECTION 153. ORS 685.100 is amended to read:

685.100. (1) Upon approval of an application for a licensure, the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license certificate that shall be displayed at all times in the office of the person to whom it was issued while the license is active.

- (2) A person holding an active license issued under this chapter may apply to the [board] agency for license renewal. A completed renewal application consists of:
- (a) A completed [board] agency renewal form containing any information required by the [board] agency to determine the applicant's eligibility, as prescribed by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine by rule, for license renewal;
 - (b) Proof of compliance with continuing education requirements set by the board; and
 - (c) Payment of the active license renewal fee established by the board under subsection (8) of

1 this section.

- (3) Failure to submit a completed renewal application annually by December 31, or by such date as may be specified by board rule, results in the lapse of the license. A lapsed license may be restored by the [board] agency upon receipt, not more than 30 days after the license lapses, of a completed renewal application and payment of the restoration fee under subsection (8) of this section.
- (4) A license that has lapsed for more than one month may be restored by the [board] agency upon payment of the restoration fee established by the board by rule and submission of a completed renewal application and any other information required by the [board] agency to determine the applicant's eligibility, as prescribed by the board by rule, for license restoration.
- (5) A person holding an active license under this chapter may convert the license to inactive status by meeting the requirements set by rule of the board and making application and paying any required fees to the agency. A person holding a license issued under this chapter who is at least 70 years of age and retired from the practice of naturopathic medicine may convert the license to retired status by meeting the requirements set by rule of the board and making application and paying any required fees to the agency.
- (6)(a) A person who chooses to allow a license to become inactive may file a written application with the agency to reactivate a license that has been inactive for one year or less by paying the restoration fee and the renewal fee for an active license and demonstrating compliance with ORS 685.102. A fee paid to place the license in inactive status may not be credited toward payment of the renewal fee for an active license. The [board] agency may prorate the renewal fee.
- (b) A person who chooses to allow a license to become inactive may file a written application with the agency to reactivate a license that has been inactive for more than one year by paying the renewal fee for an active license and demonstrating compliance with the continuing education requirement set by rule of the board under ORS 685.102 (6). The [board] agency may prorate the renewal fee.
- (7) The [executive director of the board] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** shall issue a renewal notice to each person holding a license under this chapter at least 60 days before the renewal application is due.
- (8) The board shall [assess fees for] adopt by rule, and the agency shall collect, the following fees:
 - (a) An initial license.
 - (b) Examination.
 - (c) Renewal of an active license.
 - (d) Yearly renewal of an inactive or retired license.
- (e) Restoration of an inactive, lapsed or revoked license.
- (f) A certificate of special competency in natural childbirth.
- (g) A duplicate license.
- 39 (h) A wall certificate.
 - (i) Copies of public documents, mailing labels, lists and diskettes.
 - (9) [Subject to prior approval of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and a report to the Emergency Board prior to adopting the fees and charges,] The fees [and charges] established under this section may not exceed the cost of administering [the regulatory program of the board pertaining to the purpose for which the fee or charge is established, as authorized by the Legislative Assembly within the board's budget, as the budget may be modified by the Emergency Board] and

enforcing this chapter.

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SECTION 154. ORS 685.102 is amended to read:

685.102. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (5) of this section, each person holding a license under this chapter shall submit annually by December 31, evidence satisfactory to the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency of successful completion of [an approved] a program of continuing education of at least 25 hours in naturopathic medicine that has been approved by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, completed in the calendar year preceding the date on which the evidence is submitted, and of successful completion during or prior to the renewal period[, or documentation of previous completion,] of:

- (a) A pain management education program approved by the board and developed in conjunction with the Pain Management Commission established under ORS 413.570; or
 - (b) An equivalent pain management education program, as determined by the board.
- (2) The [board] agency, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, may exempt any person holding a license under this chapter from the requirements of subsection (1) of this section upon application showing evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency of inability to comply with the requirements because of physical or mental condition or because of other unusual or extenuating circumstances. However, a person may not be exempted from the requirements of subsection (1) of this section more than once in any five-year period.
- (3) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, a person holding a license under this chapter may be exempted from the requirements of subsection (1) of this section [upon application showing evidence satisfactory to the board] by submitting evidence satisfactory to the agency that the applicant is or will be in the next calendar year at least 70 years of age and is retired or will retire in the next calendar year from the practice of naturopathic medicine.
- (4) The [board] agency shall require licensees to obtain continuing education, as prescribed by the board by rule, for the use of pharmacological substances for diagnostic, preventive and therapeutic purposes in order to maintain current licensure.
- (5) A person whose license is in inactive status must submit by December 31 of each year evidence satisfactory to the [board] agency of completion of 10 hours of [approved] continuing education approved by the board in the calendar year preceding the date on which the evidence is submitted.
- (6) Notwithstanding subsections (1), (2) and (5) of this section, in the case of an applicant under ORS 685.100 (6)(b) for reactivation of an inactive license, the continuing education requirement for reactivation shall be set by rule of the board.

SECTION 155. ORS 685.104 is amended to read:

- 685.104. (1) The [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall refuse to issue the certificate of registration to any person holding a license under this chapter who fails to submit with any fees due the proof required under ORS 685.102, unless the [board] agency has exempted the person from the requirements of ORS 685.102 (1). The [board] agency shall return any fees submitted by a person that fails to submit proof required under ORS 685.102 or that fails to submit all fees due.
- (2) After January 1 of any year, the [board] agency may issue a certificate of registration to any holder of a license under this chapter who had been refused such certificate under subsection (1) of this section upon submission of the evidence required under ORS 685.102 (1), accompanied by the required license renewal fee for each year the fee remains unpaid and a restoration fee of \$75 for each year the license remains revoked.

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- (3) If the person completes an approved program after January 1 to meet the requirements of 1 2 ORS 685.102 for the year beginning January 1, such completion does not meet the requirements of 3 ORS 685.102 for the subsequent year.
- SECTION 156. ORS 685.110 is amended to read: 4
- 5 685.110. [The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] In addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612 and any other penalty provided for by law, the Oregon Health Licensing 6 Agency may refuse to grant a license, may suspend or revoke a license, may limit a license, may 7 impose probation, may issue a letter of reprimand and may impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 for each offense [for any of the following reasons] committed under this chapter, including:
 - (1) Using fraud or deception in securing a license.
 - (2) Impersonating another physician.
 - (3) Practicing naturopathic medicine under an assumed name.
- (4) Performing an abortion.

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- 15 (5) Being convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude.
 - (6) Any other reason that renders the applicant or licensee unfit to perform the duties of a naturopathic physician.
 - (7) Being convicted of a crime relating to practice of naturopathic medicine.
 - (8) Committing negligence related to the practice of naturopathic medicine.
- (9) Having an impairment as defined in ORS 676.303. 20
- (10) Prescribing or dispensing drugs outside the scope of practice. 21
- 22 (11) Obtaining a fee through fraud or misrepresentation.
- 23 (12) Committing gross or repeated malpractice.
 - (13) Representing to a patient that a manifestly incurable condition of sickness, disease or injury can be permanently cured.
 - (14) Engaging in any conduct or practice contrary to a recognized standard of ethics of the profession or any conduct or practice that does or might constitute a danger to the health or safety of a patient or the public or any conduct, practice or condition that does or might adversely affect a physician's ability safely and skillfully to practice naturopathic medicine.
 - (15) Willfully and consistently utilizing any naturopathic service, X-ray equipment or treatment contrary to recognized standards of practice of the naturopathic profession.
 - (16) Failing to notify the [board] agency within 30 days of a change in the location of practice or of mailing address.
 - (17) Attempting to practice naturopathic medicine or practicing or claiming to practice naturopathic medicine or any of its components in this state without first complying with the provisions of this chapter.
 - (18) Having a license to practice naturopathic medicine in another jurisdiction suspended or revoked.
 - (19) Employing unlicensed persons to practice naturopathic medicine.
 - (20) Practicing natural childbirth without first obtaining a certificate of special competency.
 - (21) Representing that the licensee is a medical specialist or practices a medical specialty.
 - (22) Failing to respond in a timely manner to a request for information regarding a complaint or the investigation of a complaint by the [board] agency.
 - (23) Failing to pay a civil penalty in the time specified by the order imposing the penalty.
- (24) Violating any provision of this chapter or rules adopted by the [board] Oregon Board of 45

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SECTION 157. ORS 685.112 is amended to read:

of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency a voluntary limitation of a license to practice naturopathic medicine. The [board] agency may grant the request for a voluntary limitation and has the authority, if [it] the agency deems appropriate, to attach conditions to the license of the licensee or to the license issued to the applicant within the provisions of ORS 685.060 to 685.110 and 685.135. Removal of a voluntary limitation of a license to practice naturopathic medicine is determined by the [board] agency. The [board] agency may not grant a voluntary limitation of a license to practice naturopathic medicine to a licensee who is under investigation by the [board] agency, who is on probation or whose license is under suspension.

SECTION 158. ORS 685.115 is amended to read:

685.115. (1) Any information that the **Oregon Health Licensing Agency or** Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine obtains under ORS 685.225 is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.

(2) Any person who in good faith provides information to the [board] agency or the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.

SECTION 159. ORS 685.125 is amended to read:

- 685.125. [(1) The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] The Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall give opportunity for hearing as provided in ORS chapter 183 when the [board] agency proposes to:
- [(a)] (1) Refuse to issue a license;
 - [(b)] (2) Refuse to renew a license; or
 - [(c)] (3) Impose any of the sanctions set forth in ORS 685.110.
 - [(2) In accordance with applicable provisions of ORS chapter 183, the board may adopt rules necessary for the administration of the laws that the board is charged with administering.]

SECTION 160. ORS 685.135 is amended to read:

685.135. (1) A naturopath may not practice natural childbirth without first obtaining a certificate of special competency in natural childbirth in accordance with the provisions of this section.

- (2) Upon payment of the fee required under ORS 685.100, the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a certificate of special competency in natural childbirth to a licensed naturopath who meets the requirements prescribed by the [board] Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine to practice natural childbirth.
- (3) The board may adopt rules applicable to specialty certification:
 - (a) Which establish education, training and qualifications necessary for certification.
 - (b) Which limit or restrict specialty practice.
 - (c) Which define the scope of the specialty practice.
 - (d) Which establish procedures for maintaining certification.
- 39 (4) Only those naturopaths wishing to practice natural childbirth shall be required to satisfy 40 educational and examination standards in these areas.

SECTION 161. ORS 685.160 is amended to read:

685.160. (1) There hereby is created the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine. The board consists of seven members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565. All members of the board must be residents of this state. Of the members of the board:

- (a) Five must be naturopathic physicians who have each practiced continuously in this state for the five years immediately prior to the date of appointment.
- (b) Two must be members of the general public who are not naturopathic physicians or a spouse, domestic partner, child, parent or sibling of a naturopathic physician.
- (2)(a) Board members required to be naturopathic physicians may be selected by the Governor from a list of three to five nominees for each vacancy, submitted by a professional organization representing naturopathic physicians.
- (b) In selecting the members of the board, the Governor shall strive to balance the representation on the board according to:
 - (A) Geographic areas of this state; and
 - (B) Ethnic group.

- (3)(a) The term of office of each member is three years, but a member serves at the pleasure of the Governor. The terms must be staggered so that no more than three terms end each year. A member is eligible for reappointment. A term of office commences July 1. Unless a member is removed prior to the end of the term, a member continues to serve on the board until a successor is appointed and qualified. A majority of the members of the board constitutes a quorum. If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Governor shall appoint a member to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- (b) A board member shall be removed immediately from the board if, during the member's term, the member:
 - (A) Is not a resident of this state;
- (B) Has been absent from three consecutive board meetings, unless at least one absence is excused; or
- (C) Is not a licensed naturopathic physician or a retired naturopathic physician who was a licensed naturopathic physician in good standing at the time of retirement, if the board member was appointed to serve on the board as a naturopathic physician.
- (4) [The board shall carry into effect the provisions of this chapter and is authorized to issue licenses to practice naturopathic medicine in this state.] The possession of a common seal by the board hereby is authorized.

SECTION 162. ORS 685.201 is amended to read:

685.201. [The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. All moneys received by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine under this chapter shall be deposited into the account and are continuously appropriated to the board to be used only for the administration and enforcement of this chapter. Any interest or other income from moneys in the account shall be credited to the account.] All moneys received by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this chapter shall be deposited in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated to the agency for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.

SECTION 163. ORS 685.205 is amended to read:

685.205. (1) The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine shall appoint a peer review committee consisting of five members. The peer review committee shall evaluate complaints against naturopathic physicians which are referred to it by the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency, and shall make recommendations to the [board] agency regarding those complaints. The [board] agency exercises ultimate authority and control over all complaints considered by the committee, approving or disapproving the recommendations of the committee.

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- (2) The members of a peer review committee shall be appointed from among those in the profession who are in active practice with five or more years of practice experience. Members must be representative of affiliated and nonaffiliated naturopathic physicians and representative of various aspects of the practice of naturopathic medicine. To be appointed a member must receive at least four votes from members of the [state] board. Members shall each serve two-year terms. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms.
- (3) The peer review process shall be governed by rules of the board adopted pursuant to ORS chapter 183. The board shall provide appropriate training for members of peer review committees. The board by rule shall provide for a program of active supervision by the board over the conduct of the peer review committee to determine whether it comports with state regulatory policy and to correct abuses, if any.
- (4) Members of a peer review committee acting pursuant to this section are agents of the board for purposes of ORS 30.260 to 30.300.
 - (5) Peer review may not be used to replace independent medical examinations.
- (6) Any information provided to a peer review committee in the performance of its duties is confidential and is not subject to public disclosure or admissible as evidence in any judicial proceeding, except that as a part of a peer review report, this information may be disclosed to the [board] agency and the person being reviewed.
- (7) Any person who reports or provides information to a peer review committee in the performance of its duties and who provides information in good faith is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.
- (8) Upon receipt of a complaint under this chapter, [the] a peer review committee shall **report** the complaint to the agency and the agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.

SECTION 164. ORS 685.210 is amended to read:

- 685.210. (1) The district attorneys of the state shall prosecute all persons charged with violation of any of the provisions of this chapter.
- (2) Justice courts, municipal courts and circuit courts have concurrent jurisdiction for the prosecution of offenses under this chapter.
- (3) The [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, in its own name,] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may maintain an action for an injunction against any person violating ORS 685.020. A person who has been so enjoined may be punished for contempt by the court issuing the injunction. An injunction may be issued without proof of actual damage sustained by any person. An injunction does not relieve a person from criminal prosecution for violation of ORS 685.020 or from any other civil, criminal or disciplinary remedy.

SECTION 165. ORS 685.220 is amended to read:

- 685.220. (1) [Any Oregon Board of] A naturopathic medicine licensee shall, and any other person may, report to the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency or the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine any suspected violation of the provisions of this chapter.
- (2) Information pertaining to the report required by subsection (1) of this section shall remain confidential as provided in [ORS 676.165] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) Any person who reports or provides information to the **agency or** board under this section in good faith shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.
 - **SECTION 166.** ORS 685.225 is amended to read:
- 685.225. (1) Upon the complaint of any citizen of this state, or upon its own motion, the [Oregon

- 1 Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may investigate any alleged 2 violation of this chapter.
 - [(2) In the conduct of investigations, the board may:]
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- [(b) Take the depositions of witnesses, including the person charged, in the manner provided by law in civil cases;]
 - [(c) Compel the appearance of witnesses, including the person charged, before the board in person the same as in civil cases;]
 - [(d) Require answers to interrogatories; and]
 - [(e) Compel the production of books, papers, accounts, documents and testimony pertaining to the matter under investigation.]
 - [(3) In exercising its authority under subsection (2) of this section, the board may issue subpoenas over the signature of the board chairperson and the seal of the board in the name of the State of Oregon.]
 - (2) Upon receipt of a complaint under this chapter, the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine shall report the complaint to the agency.

SECTION 167. ORS 685.990 is amended to read:

685.990. (1) Violation of any provision of this chapter is a Class A misdemeanor.

(2)(a) In addition to any other sanctions authorized by law, the [Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$5,000 for each violation of any provision of this chapter, or of any rule adopted by the [board] Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine.

(b) Civil penalties imposed under this subsection shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.

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30 31 <u>SECTION 168.</u> The duties, functions and powers of the Board of Medical Imaging relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 175 to 190 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

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SECTION 169. (1) The Board of Medical Imaging shall:

- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act; and
- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act, without re-

duction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.

(3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the Board of Medical Imaging and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

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SECTION 170. (1) The Board of Medical Imaging Account is abolished.

(2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the Board of 10 Medical Imaging for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and en-

forcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act.

(3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the Board of Medical Imaging remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

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SECTION 171. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 168 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the Board of Medical Imaging in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

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SECTION 172. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

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(2) The rights and obligations of the Board of Medical Imaging legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 168 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the Board of Medical Imaging and not a new authority.

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(Rules)

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SECTION 173. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section

168 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the Board of Medical Imaging with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 168 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the Board of Medical Imaging to the Board of Medical Imaging or an officer or employee of the Board of Medical Imaging are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 174. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the Board of Medical Imaging, or an officer or employee of the Board of Medical Imaging, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 168 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 175. ORS 688.405 is amended to read:

688.405. As used in ORS 688.405 to 688.605:

- (1) "Approved school" means a school accredited in one of the medical imaging modalities or subspecialties by a national post-secondary accreditation body and whose graduates are qualified to sit for a credentialing examination recognized by the Board of Medical Imaging in the graduate's medical imaging modality or subspecialty.
- (2) "Clinical instructor" means an individual assigned to supervise students in a clinical setting who is:
- (a) A licensed physician who routinely supervises the medical imaging modality being studied by a student; or
- (b) An individual licensed by the [board] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency under ORS 688.405** to **688.605** and credentialed by a credentialing organization in the medical imaging modality being studied by a student.
- (3) "Credential" means the recognition awarded to an individual who meets the requirements of a credentialing organization.
- (4) "Credentialing organization" means a nationally recognized organization that issues credentials through testing or evaluations that determine that a person meets defined standards for training and competence in a medical imaging modality.
- (5) "Diagnostic medical sonography" means the use of nonionizing high frequency sound waves with specialized equipment to direct the sound waves into areas of the human body to generate images for the assessment and diagnosis of various medical conditions.
- (6) "Graduate" means an individual who has completed the didactic and clinical education at an approved school, including documented clinical proficiency, but who has not met all requirements for credentialing by a credentialing organization.
- (7) "Hybrid imaging or radiation therapy equipment" means equipment that combines more than one medical imaging modality into a single device.
 - (8) "Ionizing radiation" means alpha particles, beta particles, gamma rays, X-rays, neutrons,

- high-speed electrons, high-speed protons or other particles capable of producing ions. "Ionizing radiation" does not include radiation such as radiofrequency or microwaves, visible, infrared or ultraviolet light or ultrasound.
- (9) "License" means a license issued by the [board] agency to practice one or more of the medical imaging modalities.
 - (10) "Licensed nurse practitioner" means a nurse practitioner licensed in Oregon.
 - (11) "Licensed physician" means a physician or surgeon licensed in Oregon.
 - (12) "Licensed physician assistant" means a physician assistant licensed in Oregon.
- (13) "Limited X-ray machine operator" means a person other than a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant who performs diagnostic X-ray procedures under the supervision of a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant using equipment that emits external ionizing radiation resulting in diagnostic radiographic images that are limited to select human anatomical sites.
- (14) "Limited X-ray machine operator course of study" means a board-approved set of didactic and clinical experience elements designed to prepare a person for gaining practical experience and for passing the limited X-ray machine operator examination.
- (15) "Magnetic resonance imaging" means the process by which certain nuclei, when placed in a magnetic field, absorb and release energy in the form of radio waves that are analyzed by a computer thereby producing an image of human anatomy and physiological information.
- (16) "Medical imaging" means the use of specialized equipment for the production of visual representations of human anatomy, tissues or organs for use in clinical diagnosis and treatment and includes but is not limited to X-ray, single photon emission, positron emission technology, ultrasound, magnetic fields, visible light and radio waves.
- (17) "Medical imaging licensee" means a person other than a licensed physician or a limited X-ray machine operator who holds a valid license and operates medical imaging equipment for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes under the supervision of a licensed physician.
 - (18) "Medical imaging modality" means:

- (a) Diagnostic medical sonography and all its subspecialties;
- (b) Magnetic resonance imaging and all its subspecialties;
- (c) Nuclear medicine technology and all its subspecialties;
- (d) Radiation therapy and all its subspecialties; or
 - (e) Radiography and all its subspecialties.
 - (19) "Nuclear medicine technology" means the specialized equipment that measures radiation emitted by radionuclides, including counters and cameras that form medical images for interpretation by a physician, or assists in therapeutic use of radionuclides.
 - (20) "Radiation therapy" means the use of ionizing radiation on a human being for therapeutic purposes.
 - (21) "Radiographer" means a person other than a licensed physician who performs a comprehensive set of diagnostic radiographic procedures under the supervision of a licensed physician using external ionizing radiation to produce radiographic, fluoroscopic or digital images.
 - (22) "Radiography" means the use of ionizing radiation to produce radiographic, fluoroscopic or digital images of human anatomy for diagnostic purposes.
 - (23) "Radiologist" means a person licensed to practice medicine in the State of Oregon who is certified by or [board] eligible for certification by the American Board of Radiology, the American Osteopathic Association, the Royal College of Radiologists or the Royal College of Physicians and

1 Surgeons of Canada.

- (24) "Student" means an individual enrolled in:
- 3 (a) An approved school; or
- 4 (b) A limited X-ray machine operator course of study.
 - (25) "Supervision" means the act of monitoring and reviewing the performance of medical imaging licensees or limited X-ray machine operators through regular inspections of work produced, regardless of whether the supervising individual is continuously physically present during the use of medical imaging equipment or X-ray equipment.
 - **SECTION 176.** ORS 688.415, as amended by section 4, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:

688.415. (1) A person may not:

- (a) Practice any of the medical imaging modalities, use X-ray equipment or purport to be a medical imaging licensee or a limited X-ray machine operator if the person is not licensed in accordance with the provisions of ORS 688.455 or is not the holder of a limited X-ray machine operator permit issued under ORS 688.515;
- (b) Practice any medical imaging modality or as a limited X-ray machine operator under a false or assumed name;
- (c) Knowingly employ any person for the purpose of practicing any medical imaging modality or as a limited X-ray machine operator if that person is not licensed or does not hold a valid permit in accordance with the provisions of ORS 688.405 to 688.605;
- (d) Obtain or attempt to obtain a license or permit or a renewal of a license or permit by bribery or fraudulent representation; or
- (e) Knowingly make a false statement on an application for a license or permit or a renewal for a license or permit.
- (2) A person may not practice a medical imaging modality or purport to be a medical imaging licensee unless the person is licensed **or holds a permit** in accordance with the provisions of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 [or holds a permit issued by the Board of Medical Imaging].

SECTION 177. ORS 688.445 is amended to read:

- 688.445. (1) The [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue:
- (a) A license to practice a specified medical imaging modality in the State of Oregon to each person who meets the qualifications for a license as provided in ORS 688.455 and applicable rules of the Board of Medical Imaging. The license shall identify the modality or subspecialty for which the qualifications have been met.
- (b)(A) A permit to practice as a limited X-ray machine operator in the State of Oregon to each person who meets the qualifications to hold that permit as provided in ORS 688.515 and applicable rules of the board. The permit shall identify the category for which the qualifications have been met.
- (B) The categories are skull and sinuses, spine, chest, extremities, podiatric and bone densitometry.
- (2) In order to remain active, a license or permit must be renewed every two years prior to the first day of the licensee's birth month or as otherwise provided by the board by rule.
- (3) A license or permit that is not renewed as provided in subsection (2) of this section expires. The [board] agency may renew an expired license or permit upon payment of a delinquent fee in an amount set by the board by rule plus the biennial renewal fee.
- (a) A late renewal may not be granted more than two years after a license or permit has ex-

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- (b) A late renewal may not be granted to any medical imaging licensee not credentialed by a credentialing organization.
- (4) The [board] agency shall renew the license or permit of a person who meets the requirements under ORS 688.455 or 688.515 and applicable rules of the board upon receipt of:
 - (a) An application accompanied by a fee in an amount established by the board by rule; and
 - (b) Supporting evidence of appropriate continuing education as defined by the board by rule.
- (5) A license or permit that has been expired for more than two years may be reissued only in the manner prescribed for an original license or permit.
- SECTION 178. ORS 688.455, as amended by section 7, chapter 833, Oregon Laws 2009, section 2, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2012, and section 17b, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read: 688.455. (1) The [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license to a person to practice a medical imaging modality if the person makes an application in writing to the agency and pays a fee in an amount established by the Board of Medical Imaging by rule [and] if the person, at the time of application:
- (a) Is at least 18 years of age;
 - (b) Satisfies one of the following requirements:
 - (A) Has graduated from [an approved] a school approved by the board;
- (B) No later than December 31, 2010, passed the examination of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists after being sponsored for the examination by the State of Oregon;
- (C) Was initially licensed by the Board of Radiologic Technology before 1980 and held an active license [from the Board of Medical Imaging] to practice a medical imaging modality on July 1, 2010; or
 - (D) Meets the requirements for licensing under ORS 688.495;
- (c) Has undergone a background check to the satisfaction of the [board] agency as established in rules adopted by the board;
- (d) Has not had a license of any type revoked by this state or any state, territory of the United States or nation;
 - (e) Has not had a credential revoked by any credentialing organization; and
- (f) Meets the standards of ethical conduct established in the professional standards of the corresponding credentialing organization or a medical imaging modality's professional society.
- (2) All applicants for a license are subject to the examination policies of their respective credentialing organizations.
- (3) An applicant meets the requirements of subsection (1)(b)(A) of this section if the applicant provides the [board] agency with documentation of military training or experience that the [board] agency determines, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, is substantially equivalent to the education required by subsection (1)(b)(A) of this section.
- (4)(a) The [board] agency may consider issuing a new license to a person whose revoked credential has been reinstated by a credentialing organization or whose license of any type has been reinstated by another state.
- (b) The [board] agency shall consider issuing a new license under this subsection on a case by case basis [and shall adopt rules governing issuance of a new license] in accordance with rules adopted by the board.
- 44 <u>SECTION 179.</u> ORS 688.455, as amended by section 7, chapter 833, Oregon Laws 2009, section 2, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2012, and sections 17b and 17c, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended

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688.455. (1) The [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license to a person to practice a medical imaging modality if the person makes an application in writing to the agency and pays a fee in an amount established by the Board of Medical Imaging by rule and if the person, at the time of application:

- (a) Is at least 18 years of age;
- (b) Satisfies one of the following requirements:
- (A) Holds a credential issued by a credentialing organization in a medical imaging modality recognized by the board by rule or provides the [board] agency with documentation of military training or experience that the [board] agency determines, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, is substantially equivalent to the credentialing requirements;
- (B) No later than December 31, 2010, passed the examination of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists after being sponsored for the examination by the State of Oregon;
- (C) Was initially licensed by the Board of Radiologic Technology before 1980 and held an active license [from the Board of Medical Imaging] to practice a medical imaging modality on July 1, 2010; or
 - (D) Meets the requirements for licensing under ORS 688.495;
- (c) Has undergone a background check to the satisfaction of the [board] agency as established in rules adopted by the board;
- (d) Has not had a license of any type revoked by this state or any state, territory of the United States or nation;
 - (e) Has not had a credential revoked by any credentialing organization; and
- (f) Meets the standards of ethical conduct established in the professional standards of the corresponding credentialing organization or a medical imaging modality's professional society.
- (2) All applicants for a license are subject to the examination policies of their respective credentialing organizations.
- (3)(a) The [board] agency may consider issuing a new license to a person whose revoked credential has been reinstated by a credentialing organization or whose license of any type has been reinstated by another state.
- (b) The [board] agency shall consider issuing a new license under this subsection on a case by case basis [and shall adopt rules governing issuance of a new license] in accordance with rules adopted by the board.

SECTION 179a. ORS 688.485 is amended to read:

- 688.485. (1) The Board of Medical Imaging shall oversee examinations given each year for a limited X-ray machine operator permit.
- (2) A limited X-ray machine operator permit applicant who fails to pass an examination may take additional examinations as required by the board by rule.
- (3) The board shall [charge] adopt, and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall collect, a fee for oversight of limited X-ray machine operator permit examinations in an amount determined by the board by rule.
- (4) All limited X-ray machine operator permit applicants are subject to the rules of a board-approved testing agency including, but not limited to, testing schedules and frequency, fees, application procedures and conduct.
- **SECTION 180.** ORS 688.495 is amended to read:
- 45 688.495. The [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may license as a

radiographer, without examination, any person who:

- (1) Applies for a license as provided in ORS 688.455; and
- (2) On the date of making application is a radiographer under the laws of any other state, territory of the United States or nation, if the requirements for licensure in that state, territory or nation are not less stringent than those required under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 and the applicant passed a written examination in that state, territory or nation that is comparable to the examination required in this state for the category or categories for which licensure is sought.

SECTION 181. ORS 688.505 is amended to read:

688.505. (1) At the time a biennial renewal fee is submitted, the [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall require each licensee and permittee to submit evidence of continuing education pertinent to the license or permit as determined by the Oregon Board of Medical Imaging by rule.

- (2) A holder of a limited X-ray machine operator permit shall submit evidence of satisfying the number of hours of continuing education as established by the board by rule.
- (3) A holder of a license may submit evidence of a current credential issued by the credentialing organization if that organization requires continuing education for renewal of those credentials.
- (4) A holder of a license with a credential from a credentialing organization that does not require continuing education for renewal shall submit evidence of continuing education equal to other medical imaging licensees as required by rule of the board.

SECTION 182. ORS 688.515 is amended to read:

688.515. (1) The [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a limited X-ray machine operator permit to an applicant to practice under the supervision of a licensed physician, a licensed nurse practitioner or a licensed physician assistant if the applicant meets the requirements as provided in this section. A limited X-ray machine operator permit shall state the category or categories for which the applicant has demonstrated competence and shall be limited to one of the categories listed below or as established by the Board of Medical Imaging by rule:

- (a) Skull and sinuses;
- 29 (b) Spine;

- 30 (c) Chest;
 - (d) Extremities;
- 32 (e) Podiatric; or
 - (f) Bone densitometry.
 - (2) Limited X-ray machine operator permits may not be issued for fluoroscopy, bony thorax studies, abdominal studies, contrast studies or special head studies such as tomography, radiation therapy or any of the other medical imaging modalities or subspecialties other than the categories listed in subsection (1) of this section or as established by the board by rule.
 - (3) Each applicant for a limited X-ray machine operator permit shall:
 - (a) Make an application to the agency in writing;
 - (b) Pay an application fee in an amount set by the board by rule;
 - (c) Be at least 18 years of age;
 - (d) Have successfully passed a board-approved course of instruction in radiation use and safety consisting of the number of hours of instruction required by the board by rule;
 - (e) Have successfully completed a course of instruction approved by the board and taught by a board-approved, licensed radiographer in laboratory practice specific to each category for which the

- applicant seeks a limited X-ray machine operator permit, with the instructor's certifying to the [board] agency that the applicant has completed the course in those categories applied for;
- (f) Have successfully completed a practical experience program approved by the board, specific to each category for which the applicant seeks a limited X-ray machine operator permit. Such program shall include operation of an energized X-ray machine under the supervision of a radiographer;
- (g) Have paid to the agency the examination fee set by board rule to reflect the actual cost of the examination;
- (h) Have successfully passed an examination approved by the board in the core module as defined in rules adopted by the board, and in those categories in which the applicant seeks a limited X-ray machine operator permit;
- (i) Have undergone a background check to the satisfaction of the [board] agency as established in rules adopted by the board;
- (j) Not have had any type of license or permit revoked by this state or any state, territory of the United States or nation; and
- (k) Meet the standards of ethical conduct established in the professional standards of a credentialing organization or a medical imaging modality's professional society.
- (4) Upon meeting the requirements of this section, the [board] agency shall issue a limited X-ray machine operator permit to the applicant. The limited X-ray machine operator permit is subject to the renewal procedures described in ORS 688.445.
- (5) Every person issued a limited X-ray machine operator permit shall notify the [board] agency in writing of the name of each licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant supervising the person's performance of diagnostic radiography and may only perform diagnostic radiography while being supervised by a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant. In the event the person subsequently is supervised by a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant other than the physician, nurse practitioner or physician assistant whose name was initially furnished to the [board] agency, the person shall immediately notify the [board] agency in writing.
- (6) Limited X-ray machine operators must meet the standards of ethical conduct equal to those of a licensed radiographer.
- **SECTION 183.** ORS 688.520, as amended by section 5, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
- 688.520. (1) The [Board of Medical Imaging] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** may grant inactive status to a person who holds a license or a limited X-ray machine operator permit who notifies the [board] **agency** of the person's:
- (a) Intent not to practice a medical imaging modality or subspecialty or as a limited X-ray machine operator; and
- (b) Desire to retain the right to reinstate the license or permit, subject to [board] rules adopted by the Board of Medical Imaging.
- (2) Only medical imaging licensees who hold a credential issued by a credentialing organization or limited X-ray machine operators in good standing may retain the right to reinstate an inactive license.
- (3) The [board] agency may, in certain disciplinary circumstances, issue a provisional license or provisional permit that identifies:
- (a) The specific provisions of the license and terms of converting the license from provisional status to active status;

(b) The length of issuance; and

- (c) The specific issues that resulted in provisional status.
- 3 (4) The [board] **agency** may issue a restricted license for the purpose of performing hybrid im-4 aging using a modality for which the medical imaging licensee does not hold either a primary or 5 secondary credential if:
 - (a) The person holds a credential in one or more of the medical imaging modalities or subspecialties; and
 - (b) Receives appropriate training in the limited aspects of the other modality as required by the board by rule.
 - (5) The [board] **agency** may issue an additional license to a person who:
 - (a) Holds a license issued by the [board] **agency** in one of the primary medical imaging modalities;
 - (b) Holds and continues to maintain a primary credential issued by a credentialing organization recognized by the board **by rule** in one of the primary medical imaging modalities; and
 - (c) Holds and continues to maintain an additional credential issued by a credentialing organization recognized by the board **by rule** in the secondary medical imaging modality for which a license is sought.
 - (6)(a) The [board] **agency** may issue a student license to a person enrolled in [an approved] school **approved by the board** for the purpose of allowing the person to complete clinical training requirements.
 - (b) An applicant for a student license must meet the requirements of ORS 688.455 (1)(a) and (c) to (f).
 - (c) The [board] agency shall process student applications and shall issue student licenses at reduced fees as provided in rules adopted by the board.
 - (d) A student license is valid only while the student is enrolled in [an approved] school approved by the board.
 - (7)(a) The [board] **agency** may issue a temporary license or permit upon satisfactory application and payment of a registration fee established by the board by rule.
 - (b) **The agency may issue** medical imaging license applicants, students and graduates [may be issued] temporary licenses pertaining to a specific modality or subspecialty without examination for a limited time period as determined by the board by rule.
 - (c) **The agency may issue** limited X-ray machine operator permit applicants [may be issued] temporary permits for the purpose of completing clinical education requirements under the supervision of a licensed physician:
 - (A) Upon successful completion of the core module examination;
 - (B) For an initial period of six months; and
 - (C) For a single six-month renewal period, at the discretion of the [board] agency.
 - (8) The [board] agency may issue licenses and permits for periods other than 24 months as authorized by the board by rule. The fee for a license or permit issued for any period other than 24 months shall be prorated on a monthly basis.
 - SECTION 184. ORS 688.525 is amended to read:
 - 688.525. (1) [The Board of Medical Imaging,] After notice of and hearing as required under the contested case procedures of ORS chapter 183, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, in addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, may refuse to issue a license or permit to any applicant under ORS 688.405 to 688.605, may refuse to renew the license of any medical imaging

- licensee or the permit of a limited X-ray machine operator or may suspend or revoke [the] a license or permit issued under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 of a person who:
- (a) Has been disciplined by a credentialing organization or a licensing board in this state or in another state, territory of the United States or nation for acts by the holder of a license or a permit that are similar to acts described in this subsection. A certified copy of the order of discipline constitutes conclusive evidence of the discipline.
 - (b) Has an impairment as defined in ORS 676.303.

- (c) In the judgment of the [board] **agency** is guilty of unethical or unprofessional conduct in the practice of a medical imaging modality or as a limited X-ray machine operator.
- (d) Has been convicted of any crime that bears a demonstrable relationship to the practice of a medical imaging modality or as a limited X-ray machine operator, or otherwise reflects adversely on fitness to practice.
- (e) In the judgment of the [board] agency, has acted with gross negligence in the practice of a medical imaging modality or as a limited X-ray machine operator.
- (f) Has undertaken to act as a medical imaging licensee independently of the supervision of a licensed physician, or has undertaken to act as a limited X-ray machine operator independently of the supervision of a licensed physician, licensed nurse practitioner or licensed physician assistant.
- (g) Has obtained or attempted to obtain a license or permit under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 by fraud or material misrepresentation.
- (2)(a) Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 688.405 to 688.605, the [board] agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.
- (b) Upon receipt of a complaint under ORS 688.405 to 688.605, the board shall report the complaint to the agency.
- (3)(a) Information that the [board] agency obtains as part of an investigation into licensee, permittee or applicant conduct or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee, permittee or applicant conduct is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (b) Information the board obtains under subsection (2) of this section is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.
 - SECTION 185. ORS 688.560 is amended to read:
- 688.560. The Board of Medical Imaging [by rule shall establish and collect] shall establish by rule, and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall collect, reasonable fees for:
 - (1) Oversight of limited X-ray machine operator permit examinations.
 - (2) Special interpretation of examination results.
 - (3) Duplication of permits, licenses and wall certificates.
- (4) Reproduction of records.
 - (5) Application processing, licensing and permitting.
- 38 (6) Inspections of limited X-ray machine operator schools.
 - **SECTION 186.** ORS 688.585 is amended to read:
- 688.585. [(1) The Board of Medical Imaging Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Except for moneys otherwise designated by statute, all fees, contributions and other moneys received by the Board of Medical Imaging must be paid into the State Treasury and credited to the account. All moneys in the account are continuously appropriated to the board to be used by the board for purposes of ORS 688.405 to 688.605. Any interest or other income from moneys in the account shall be credited to the account.]

[(2) The board shall keep a record of all moneys deposited in the account. The record shall indicate by separate cumulative accounts the source from which the moneys are derived and the individual activity or program for which each withdrawal is charged.]

All moneys received by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 shall be deposited in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated to the agency for the administration and enforcement of ORS 688.405 to 688.605.

SECTION 187. ORS 688.595 is amended to read:

688.595. The section manager of the Radiation Protection Services Section of the Oregon Health Authority shall [enforce the provisions of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 and shall] conduct, under the direction of the Board of Medical Imaging, inspections in furtherance of the purposes of ORS 688.405 to 688.605. The authority shall report all possible violations of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 discovered during an inspection to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 188. ORS 688.600 is amended to read:

688.600. (1) Upon receipt of a complaint, or upon its own motion, the [Board of Medical Imaging] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** may investigate any alleged violation of ORS 688.405 to 688.605.

- (2) In the conduct of investigations, the [board] agency may[:]
- 18 [(a) Take evidence;]

- [(b) Take the depositions of witnesses, including the person charged, in the manner provided by law in civil cases;]
- [(c) Compel the appearance of witnesses, including the person charged, before the board in person the same as in civil cases;]
 - [(d) Require answers to interrogatories;]
- [(e) Compel the production of books, papers, accounts, documents and testimony pertaining to the matter under investigation;]
- [(f)] require a person to undergo a mental, physical, chemical dependency or competency evaluation at the person's expense when the [board] agency has reasonable grounds to believe that the person is or may be unable to practice a medical imaging modality with reasonable skill and safety or may constitute a risk to the public, with the results being reported to the [board] agency. The report may not be disclosed to the public but may be received into evidence in a proceeding between the [board] agency and the person when the mental, physical, chemical dependency or competency of the person is at issue, notwithstanding any claim of privilege by the person[; and]
- [(g) Issue subpoenas over the signature of the board chairperson and the seal of the board in the name of the State of Oregon].
- (3) For the purpose of disciplinary issues concerning scope of practice and standards of practice, the Board **of Medical Imaging** may form temporary peer review committees in the relevant modality or subspecialty to advise the [board] **agency** of appropriate action. The composition, authority and responsibilities of a temporary committee must be defined in rules adopted by the board.

SECTION 189. ORS 688.605 is amended to read:

688.605. (1)(a) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, any person issued a license or permit [by the Board of Medical Imaging] under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 or any employer of a licensee or permittee shall report to the Board of Medical Imaging or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency any suspected violation of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 or any rule adopted by the board.

(b) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information

prohibit disclosure, any person issued a license or permit [by the board] under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 who has reasonable cause to believe that a licensee of another board has engaged in prohibited conduct as defined in ORS 676.150 shall report the prohibited conduct in the manner provided in ORS 676.150.

- (c) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, any organization representing persons issued a license or permit [by the board] under ORS 688.405 to 688.605 shall report to the board or agency any suspected violation of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 or any rule adopted by the board pursuant to ORS 688.405 to 688.605.
- (d) Any person may report to the board **or agency** any suspected violation of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 or any rules adopted by the board pursuant to ORS 688.555.
- (2) Any information that the board **or agency** obtains as the basis of a complaint or in the investigation of a complaint is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] **section 8 of this 2013 Act**.
- (3) Any person who reports or provides information to the board **or agency** and who does so in good faith is not subject to an action for civil damages as a result of reporting or providing information.
- (4) A claim of a violation of ORS 688.405 to 688.605 shall be reported to the board or agency. The board shall report all claims received under this section to the agency, and the agency shall substantiate those claims [and shall be substantiated] by satisfactory evidence. If the [board] agency finds that a violation has occurred, the [board] agency shall, subject to the conditions of [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act, report the violation to the Attorney General for prosecution.

SECTION 190. ORS 688.915 is amended to read:

688.915. (1) In addition to any other sanction authorized by law, the [Board of Medical Imaging] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000 per occurrence for any violation of ORS 688.405 to 688.605, or of any rules adopted under those provisions. The penalty may be imposed whether or not the person incurring the penalty has been licensed or been issued a permit under ORS 688.405 to 688.605, or has made application for a license or permit under those sections. A civil penalty may be imposed in lieu of a refusal to grant or renew a license or permit, or a suspension or revocation of a license or permit, under ORS 688.525.

- (2) Civil penalties under this section shall be imposed in the manner provided by ORS 183.745.
- (3) All penalties recovered under this section shall be credited to the [Board of Medical Imaging Account established under ORS 688.585] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account.

STATE MORTUARY AND CEMETERY BOARD

(Transfer)

SECTION 191. The duties, functions and powers of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board relating to the responsibilities listed in ORS 676.607 (1) and reflected in the amendments to statutes by sections 198 to 219 of this 2013 Act are imposed upon, transferred to and vested in the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

(Records, Property, Employees)

SECTION 192. (1) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall:

- (a) Deliver to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency all records and property within the jurisdiction of the board that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act; and
- (b) Transfer to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency those employees engaged primarily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act.
- (2) The Director of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.
- (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this section, and the Governor's decision is final.

(Unexpended Revenues)

SECTION 193. (1) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board Account is abolished.

- (2) The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, from revenues dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, for the purpose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting expenditures by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board remain applicable to expenditures by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this section.

(Action, Proceeding, Prosecution)

SECTION 194. The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency by section 191 of this 2013 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is substituted for the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board in the action, proceeding or prosecution.

(Liability, Duty, Obligation)

SECTION 195. (1) Nothing in this 2013 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act. The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board legally incurred under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 191 of this 2013 Act accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act are transferred to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency is a continuation of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board and not a new authority.

(Rules)

SECTION 196. Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 191 of this 2013 Act, the rules of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board with respect to such duties, functions or powers that are in effect on the operative date of section 191 of this 2013 Act continue in effect until superseded or repealed by rules of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. References in such rules of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board to the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board or an officer or employee of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board are considered to be references to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency.

SECTION 197. Whenever, in any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, in the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act, reference is made to the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board, or an officer or employee of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 191 of this 2013 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or an officer or employee of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency who by this 2013 Act is charged with carrying out such duties, functions and powers.

(Amendments to Statutes)

SECTION 198. ORS 692.025 is amended to read:

692.025. (1) An individual may not practice as a funeral service practitioner unless the individual is licensed as a funeral service practitioner under ORS 692.045. Regardless of any title used by the individual, an individual practices as a funeral service practitioner if the individual is engaged directly or indirectly in offering funeral services for payment or supervising or otherwise controlling the transportation, care, preparation, processing and handling of dead human bodies before the bodies undergo final disposition, or before the bodies are transported out of the State of Oregon.

- (2) An individual may not practice as an embalmer unless the individual is licensed as an embalmer under ORS 692.105. Regardless of any title used by the individual, an individual practices as an embalmer if the individual is engaged or purports to be engaged in either of the following:
 - (a) The practice of disinfecting or preserving from decay dead human bodies.
- (b) Preparing human bodies dead of contagious or infectious disease for transportation by rail-road, express company or common carrier.
- (3) An individual may not practice as a death care consultant unless the individual is licensed as a death care consultant under ORS 692.143. Regardless of any title used by the individual, an individual practices as a death care consultant if the individual offers, for payment, consultations

- directly relating to the performance of funeral or final disposition services.
 - (4) A person may not operate a funeral establishment unless the establishment meets the requirements under this subsection. A place is a funeral establishment if the place is customarily used for the care, preparation or viewing of dead human bodies before the bodies undergo final disposition, or before the bodies are transported out of the State of Oregon. A funeral establishment must:
 - (a) Be licensed [by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] under ORS 692.146;
 - (b) Be operated by a funeral service practitioner;

- (c) Have on the premises embalming facilities or holding room facilities meeting requirements established by the [board] State Mortuary and Cemetery Board by rule; and
 - (d) Have access to hospital or mortuary refrigeration.
- (5) A person may not operate an immediate disposition company unless the immediate disposition company meets the requirements under this subsection. An immediate disposition company must:
 - (a) Be licensed at a fixed location under ORS 692.146; and
 - (b) Be operated by a licensed funeral service practitioner.
- (6) A person or city, county or other municipal corporation may not conduct the business of an operating cemetery without first receiving a certificate of authority to conduct the business of an operating cemetery under ORS 692.275.
- (7) A person may not operate a crematorium unless the crematorium meets the requirements of ORS 692.275.
- (8) An applicant for a license or certificate described in this section and a principal of a licensed establishment described in this section must consent to a background check, including information solicited from the Department of State Police.
- **SECTION 199.** ORS 692.045, as amended by section 25, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
- 692.045. (1) The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** shall issue a license to an individual to practice as a funeral service practitioner if the individual meets the following requirements:
- (a) The individual must apply to the [board] agency for a funeral service practitioner's license on an application form provided by the [board] agency.
- (b) The individual must pass an examination conducted by the **State Mortuary and Cemetery** Board under ORS 692.070 following application for the funeral service practitioner's license.
- (c) The individual must successfully complete practical experience as a funeral service practitioner's apprentice under ORS 692.190.
- (2) An individual may not take an examination under ORS 692.070 until the individual has provided written evidence of graduation from an associate degree program meeting the requirements established by [board] the board by rule.
- (3) An applicant meets the requirements of subsection (1)(c) or (2) of this section if the applicant provides the [board] agency with documentation of military training or experience that the [board] agency determines, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, is substantially equivalent to the education or experience required by subsection (1)(c) or (2) of this section.
- (4) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, an applicant with four years of experience as a licensed funeral service practitioner or embalmer in this state or in another state is not required to provide written evidence of graduation from an associate degree program in order to take the examination under ORS 692.070.
 - SECTION 200. ORS 692.105, as amended by section 26, chapter 43, Oregon Laws 2012, is

1 amended to read:

692.105. (1) The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license to an individual to practice as an embalmer if the individual is 18 years of age or older, applies for a license and has successfully met the qualifications described in this section.

- (2) An individual must apply for a license by applying to the [board] agency on an application form provided by the [board] agency.
 - (3) An individual applying for a license under this section must meet the following requirements:
- (a) The individual must complete 12 months of practical experience as an embalmer's apprentice as provided in ORS 692.190.
- (b) The individual must provide written evidence of graduation from an accredited program of funeral service education as defined by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board by rule.
- (c) The individual must obtain a passing score on the examination provided in ORS 692.130 or show evidence satisfactory to the [board] **agency** that the individual has successfully passed the National Board Examination as administered by the Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards.
 - (d) The individual must be knowledgeable in the application of state law.
- (4) When an individual provides written evidence of graduation from an accredited program of funeral service education, if the individual does not show evidence satisfactory to the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] agency, as provided under subsection (3) of this section, that the individual has passed the National Board Examination, the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board may examine the individual as provided in ORS 692.130. In any case, however, the [board] agency may not issue an embalmer's license until an individual has completed the apprenticeship qualification.
- (5) An applicant meets the requirements of subsection (3)(a) of this section if the applicant provides the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] agency with documentation of military experience that the [board] agency determines, in accordance with rules adopted by the board, is substantially equivalent to the experience required by subsection (3)(a) of this section.

SECTION 201. ORS 692.140 is amended to read:

692.140. (1) The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license to practice as a funeral service practitioner or an embalmer to an applicant from another state if:

- (a) The applicant for recognition of the license applies to the [board] agency and fulfills the requirements specified in subsection (2) of this section; and
- (b) The [board] agency is satisfied that the applicant has the requisite qualifications for licensing as a funeral service practitioner or an embalmer in this state as prescribed by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board by rule.
- (2) An applicant under this section shall apply to the [board] **agency** on a form provided by the [board] **agency**. The applicant shall include with the application:
- (a) Proof satisfactory to the [board] agency that the applicant is licensed in good standing in another state and has practiced as a funeral service practitioner or an embalmer who was licensed and in good standing in another state for three of the five years immediately preceding the application date.
 - (b) Payment of the initial reciprocity licensing fee established under ORS 692.160.
 - **SECTION 202.** ORS 692.143 is amended to read:
- 692.143. The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] **Oregon Health Licensing Agency** shall issue a license to an individual to practice as a death care consultant if the individual:

- (1) Applies to the [board] **agency** for a death care consultant license on an application form provided by the [board] **agency**;
- 3 (2) Passes an examination conducted by the **State Mortuary and Cemetery** Board covering 4 Oregon and federal laws and rules relating to the care, preparation, disposition and transportation 5 of dead human bodies;
 - (3) Pays to the agency fees required by the board by rule; and
 - (4) Meets other requirements established by the board by rule.
 - **SECTION 203.** ORS 692.146 is amended to read:

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- 692.146. (1) The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a license to a funeral establishment or immediate disposition company if the person who will operate the establishment or immediate disposition company applies to the [board] agency for a license on a form provided by the [board] agency. The application shall be accompanied by the application fee established under ORS 692.160.
 - (2) The application shall disclose the following:
 - (a) The name and address of the establishment or company.
 - (b) That the establishment is operated by a licensed funeral service practitioner.
- 17 (c) That the immediate disposition company is operated by a licensed funeral service practi-18 tioner.
 - (3) For purposes of this section and ORS 692.025, each branch of a licensee's funeral establishment or immediate disposition company is a separate establishment and must be licensed at a fixed place of business.
 - **SECTION 204.** ORS 692.148 is amended to read:
 - 692.148. (1) If the principals of a licensed funeral establishment or immediate disposition company change, the establishment or company shall apply to the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency for a new license.
 - (2) A person holding a license or certificate of authority or who is registered under this chapter shall apply to the [board] **agency** for reissuance of the license, certificate or registration if any of the following occur:
 - (a) The name of the person changes;
 - (b) The location of the funeral establishment, immediate disposition company or crematorium changes;
 - (c) An apprentice registered under ORS 692.190 transfers from one licensed funeral service practitioner or licensed embalmer to another;
 - (d) The original license, registration or certificate is lost or destroyed; or
 - (e) When a person holding a license or certificate of authority issued under this chapter obtains another license or certificate of authority issued under this chapter.
 - (3) The application for reissuance of the license, registration or certificate shall include payment of the fee established under ORS 692.160. The [board] agency shall reissue the license, certificate or registration when the [board] agency receives the application and the fee.
 - SECTION 205. ORS 692.160 is amended to read:
 - 692.160. (1) [The fees that may be charged under this chapter are] The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall adopt, and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall collect, the following fees:
 - (a) A fee covering requests for applications for a funeral service practitioner license, an embalmer license, a death care consultant license, a funeral establishment license, an immediate

disposition company license, a certificate of authority for a cemetery, a certificate of authority for a crematorium, a certificate of authority for any other facility for final disposition of human remains, registration as a funeral service practitioner apprentice, registration as an embalmer apprentice, a certificate of removal registration, a license as a reciprocal funeral service practitioner or a license as a reciprocal embalmer. The application fee shall be accompanied by an additional fee for each principal of a funeral establishment, immediate disposition company, cemetery, crematorium or other facility for final disposition of human remains.

- (b) A fee covering the renewal of a license for a funeral establishment, a license for an immediate disposition company, a certificate of authority for a crematorium or a certificate of authority for any other facility for final disposition of human remains.
- (c) A fee covering the renewal of a funeral service practitioner license, an embalmer license or a death care consultant license.
 - (d) A fee for renewal of a combination funeral service practitioner and embalmer license.
- (e) A fee for renewal of the registration of a funeral service practitioner apprentice or an embalmer apprentice.
- (f) An examination fee for a funeral service practitioner license, an embalmer license or a death care consultant license.
 - (g) A fee covering the renewal of a certificate of authority for a cemetery.
 - (h) A fee covering the reinstatement of a lapsed license or certificate of authority.
- (i) A fee for reissuing a license, registration or certificate of authority as provided in ORS 692.148.
- (j) Fees for copying any public record maintained by the [State Mortuary and Cemetery] board or agency, for documents distributed by the board or agency and postage for mailing any copies or documents.
- (2) All licenses granted under this chapter to funeral service practitioners, embalmers and death care consultants expire on January 1 in even-numbered years or on such date as may be specified by rule of the [State Mortuary and Cemetery] board. All licenses or certificates of authority granted under this chapter to operators of funeral establishments, to operators of immediate disposition companies, to operators of cemeteries, to operators of crematoriums or to operators of other facilities for final disposition of human remains expire on January 1 in odd-numbered years or on such date as may be specified by **the** board **by** rule.
- (3) The [board] agency shall mail to each licensed funeral service practitioner, to each licensed embalmer, to each licensed death care consultant, to each licensed operator of a funeral establishment or immediate disposition company and to each cemetery, crematorium and other facility for final disposition of human remains holding a certificate of authority under ORS 692.275, addressed to the licensee or certificate holder at the licensee's or certificate holder's last-known address, a notice that the renewal fee is due and payable and that if the fee is not paid by the renewal date the license or certificate of authority shall lapse. The [board] agency shall mail the notice at least 60 days before the license or certificate of authority expires.
- (4) The board may impose by rule continuing education requirements as a prerequisite for relicensure under this chapter.
- [(4)] (5) Subject to prior approval of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and a report to the Emergency Board prior to adopting the fees and charges, the fees and charges established under this section shall not exceed the cost of administering [the regulatory program of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board pertaining to the purpose for which the fee or charge is estab-

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lished, as authorized by the Legislative Assembly within the board's budget, as the budget may be modified by the Emergency Board] this chapter.

SECTION 206. ORS 692.170 is amended to read:

- 692.170. (1) When a licensee or an apprentice has allowed a license or a certificate of apprenticeship to lapse, the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may reinstate the license or certificate if the licensee or apprentice:
 - (a) Applies for reinstatement not later than the 90th day after the lapse; and
- (b) Pays all fees owing to the date of reinstatement as well as a reinstatement fee established under ORS 692.160.
- (2) Upon the lapse of a license or certificate, the [board] agency shall send the notice of lapse to the licensee or apprentice by registered or certified mail at the last-known address of the licensee or apprentice.

SECTION 207. ORS 692.180 is amended to read:

Oregon Health Licensing Agency may investigate a complaint made by any person or by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board related to activities regulated by this chapter. If the [board] agency finds any of the causes described in this section in regard to any person, [licensee or applicant] applicant for or holder of a license issued under this chapter or the holder of a certificate of authority issued under this chapter, the [board] agency may impose, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, a civil penalty of not more than \$1,000 for each violation, suspend or revoke a license to practice or to operate under this chapter or refuse to grant or renew a license to operate under this chapter. The causes are as follows:

- (a) Misrepresentation in the conduct of business or in obtaining a license.
- (b) Fraudulent or dishonest conduct, when the conduct bears a demonstrable relationship to funeral service practice, embalming practice or the operation of cemeteries, crematoriums or other facilities for final disposition of human remains.
- (c) Except as provided in this paragraph, solicitation of human remains by the licensee or any agent, assistant or employee of the licensee, either before or after death. This paragraph does not apply to:
 - (A) Activities permissible under ORS 97.923 to 97.949; or
- (B) The sale, in accordance with provisions of the Insurance Code, of prearranged funeral or cemetery merchandise or services, or any combination thereof, to be funded by the contemporaneous or subsequent assignment of a life insurance policy or an annuity contract.
- (d) Offensive treatment of dead human bodies or evidence that a body in the person's custody has been disposed of in violation of ORS chapter 432 or rules adopted pursuant thereto.
- (e) Aiding or abetting a person who is not a licensee or an apprentice in any act involving the disposition of dead human bodies before the bodies undergo final disposition or before the bodies are transported out of the State of Oregon.
- (f) Sale or reuse of any casket or body container that has been previously utilized for the placement of a deceased human body. This does not include use of a rental cover as defined in ORS 692.010.
 - (g) Violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or any rules adopted under this chapter.
- (h) Violation of any provision of ORS 97.929 or 97.937 or regulations adopted by the Federal Trade Commission regulating funeral industry practices.
 - (i) Conviction of a crime, when the crime bears a demonstrable relationship to funeral service

practice, embalming practice, death care consultant practice or the operation of cemeteries, crematoriums or other facilities for final disposition of human remains. A certified copy of the conviction is conclusive evidence of the conviction.

- (j) Violation of ORS chapter 97 as it relates to disposition of human bodies and to cemeteries.
- (k) Refusing to surrender promptly the custody of a dead human body, upon the express order of the person lawfully entitled to the custody of the body.
- (L) Acting as the legal representative of any deceased person for whom the licensee has rendered services governed by this chapter. This subsection does not prohibit a licensee from acting as the legal representative of a deceased relative or a deceased licensee if the deceased licensee was a partner, employee or employer in the licensee's practice.
- (m) Failure to pay any civil penalty imposed by the [board] agency within 10 days after the order is entered or, if appealed, within 10 days after the order is sustained on appeal.
 - (n) Impairment as defined in ORS 676.303.

- (2) All amounts recovered under this section shall be deposited in the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board Account established under ORS 692.375] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account.
 - (3) Civil penalties under this section shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.
- (4)(a) Upon receipt of a complaint, the [board] agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.
 - (b) Upon receipt of a complaint, the board shall report the complaint to the agency.
- (5)(a) Information that the [board] agency obtains as part of an investigation into licensee or applicant conduct or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee or applicant conduct is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (b) Information the board obtains under subsection (4) of this section is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 208. ORS 692.190 is amended to read:

- 692.190. (1) An individual who wishes to engage as an apprentice shall apply to the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency for registration as a funeral service practitioner apprentice or an embalmer apprentice upon a form provided by the [board] agency. The individual must consent to a background check, including information solicited from the Department of State Police. The application must be accompanied by the fee established under ORS 692.160.
- (2) One funeral service practitioner apprentice at a time is authorized to operate under or in connection with each licensed funeral service practitioner practicing in this state for the purpose of learning the functions of a funeral service practitioner.
- (3) One embalmer apprentice at a time is authorized to engage in the study of the art of embalming under the instruction and supervision of each licensed embalmer practicing in this state.
 - (4) The duration of an apprenticeship required for licensure is:
 - (a) Twelve months for a funeral service practitioner apprentice.
 - (b) Twelve months for an embalmer apprentice.
- (5) An individual may serve as a funeral service practitioner apprentice for an aggregate total of not more than 48 months. In computing time under this subsection, the [board] agency shall exclude time lost by interruptions caused by active duty of the apprentice in the military service of the United States or its allies during war or national emergency and by interruptions that the

[board] agency finds are excusable under rules [of the] adopted by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board.

- (6) An embalmer apprentice may serve the apprenticeship concurrently with the funeral service practitioner apprenticeship.
- (7) An individual may serve as an embalmer apprentice for an aggregate total of not more than 48 months. In computing time under this subsection, the [board] agency shall exclude time lost by interruptions caused by active duty of the apprentice in the military service of the United States or its allies during war or national emergency and by interruptions that the [board] agency finds are excusable under rules [of] adopted by the board.
- (8)(a) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, a licensed funeral service practitioner or a licensed embalmer may serve as a preceptor for not more than three students serving a funeral service internship in accordance with guidelines established by an accredited funeral service education program.
- (b) A student serving an internship in a program that covers both funeral service and embalming must be supervised by a practitioner who has a combination funeral service practitioner and embalmer license.
- (9) The board shall adopt rules under which the [board] **agency** may confer credit for apprenticeship service or its equivalency performed by:
 - (a) An applicant in another state; or

- (b) An applicant whose license or certificate of apprenticeship has lapsed.
- SECTION 209. ORS 692.230 is amended to read:
- 692.230. (1) The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency may suspend or revoke a certificate of apprenticeship issued under ORS 692.190, after notice and upon hearing, if the [board] agency finds any of the causes specified in ORS 692.180 in regard to the apprentice.
- (2) An apprentice who has had a certificate of apprenticeship suspended or revoked may apply for reregistration within one year after the suspension or revocation, but the [board] agency shall not allow more than two reregistrations. When the circumstances warrant, the [board] agency may allow, as prescribed by rules adopted by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board, an apprentice credit under a reregistration for time actually served under a previous registration. However, if the previous registration has been suspended or revoked under subsection (1) of this section, the [board] agency shall not credit on the registration more than 75 percent of the time previously served.
- (3)(a) Upon receipt of a complaint, the [board] agency shall conduct an investigation as described under ORS 676.165.
 - (b) Upon receipt of a complaint, the board shall report the complaint to the agency.
- (4)(a) Information that the [board] agency obtains as part of an investigation into licensee or applicant conduct or as part of a contested case proceeding, consent order or stipulated agreement involving licensee or applicant conduct is confidential as provided under [ORS 676.175] section 8 of this 2013 Act.
- (b) Information the board obtains under subsection (3) of this section is confidential as provided under section 8 of this 2013 Act.
 - SECTION 210. ORS 692.260 is amended to read:
- 692.260. [The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] In addition to the sanctions described in ORS 676.612, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency may revoke, suspend or refuse to renew a li-

cense issued to a funeral establishment or immediate disposition company if the board finds any of the following in regard to the establishment or company or its operation:

- (1) Any of the causes specified in ORS 692.180.
- 4 (2) Violation of ORS 692.025 (4).

(3) Failure to comply with the rules of the [board] State Mortuary and Cemetery Board.

SECTION 211. ORS 692.265 is amended to read:

692.265. (1) If the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency proposes to impose a civil penalty or to revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or renew any license or certificate authorized by this chapter, the [board] agency shall accord an opportunity for hearing as provided in ORS chapter 183.

(2) Adoption of rules by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board, conduct of hearings and issuance of orders by the agency or board and judicial review of rules and orders shall be as provided in ORS chapter 183.

SECTION 212. ORS 692.270 is amended to read:

692.270. (1) The [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall issue a certificate of removal registration to a funeral establishment licensed in another state contiguous to Oregon with laws substantially similar to the provisions of this section for the limited purpose of removing dead human bodies from Oregon, prior to submitting a certificate of death, if the establishment that will make the removals applies to the [board] agency for a certificate of removal registration on a form provided by the [board] agency. The application fee established under ORS 692.160 shall accompany the application. A certificate issued under this subsection expires upon a change of ownership of the funeral establishment.

- (2) For purposes of this section, each branch of a registrant's funeral establishment is a separate establishment and must be registered as a fixed place of business.
- (3) Notwithstanding ORS 692.025 (1) and 692.045, a funeral service practitioner who files death certificates in another state may file an Oregon certificate of death if the funeral service practitioner is employed by a licensed funeral establishment registered with the [board] agency under this section.
- (4) The conduct of a funeral service practitioner or any other person employed by or acting on behalf of a removal registrant shall be the direct responsibility of the holder of a certificate of removal registration.
- (5) For any of the causes described in ORS 692.180, or for violation of any death care rule or law in another state, the [board] **agency** may impose upon the holder of a certificate of removal registration or applicant any of the sanctions described in ORS 692.180.

SECTION 213. ORS 692.275 is amended to read:

692.275. (1) A person may not conduct the business of an operating cemetery unless the person has a certificate of authority to do so. A person may apply for a certificate of authority on a form provided by the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency. The application must be accompanied by the application fee established under ORS 692.160. However, any exempt operating cemetery is entitled to receive a certificate of authority to operate upon payment of an initial fee not to exceed \$100 and a fee not to exceed \$50 for registration of all principals regardless of the total number of principals. An exempt operating cemetery is not required to pay the renewal fee or the fee for any change in principal other than the cemetery manager.

(2) A cemetery, other than an operating cemetery or a historic cemetery listed with the Oregon Commission on Historic Cemeteries under ORS 97.782, must be registered with the [board] agency.

- An owner of a cemetery, other than an operating cemetery or a historic cemetery listed with the 1 2 Oregon Commission on Historic Cemeteries under ORS 97.782, must register the cemetery with the [board] agency on a form provided by the [board] agency. No fee may be required of a cemetery 4 registrant.
 - (3) A person may not operate a crematorium unless the person has a certificate of authority to do so. A person may apply to the agency for a certificate of authority to operate a crematorium on a form provided by the [board] agency. The application must be accompanied by the application fee established under ORS 692.160.
 - (4) For purposes of this section and ORS 692.025, each location of a cemetery or crematorium is a separate location and must be licensed separately. Those cemeteries that are subject to registration must be registered separately.
 - (5) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board may consider the recommendations of national associations related to cremation in adopting rules regulating crematoriums.
 - (6) A person may not operate a facility for final disposition of human remains other than a cemetery or a crematorium unless the person has a certificate of authority to do so. A person may apply to the agency for a certificate of authority on a form provided by the [board] agency. The application must be accompanied by an application fee established under ORS 692.160.
 - (7) This section applies to operating cemeteries or other cemeteries owned by any city, county or other municipal corporation.
 - (8) The [board may not subject an exempt operating cemetery to] agency may not conduct random inspections of an exempt operating cemetery.

SECTION 214. ORS 692.320 is amended to read:

- 692.320. (1) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board may adopt and enforce rules for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare relating to the following:
- (a) The licensing of or issuance of certificates of authority for funeral service practitioners, embalmers, death care consultants, funeral establishments, crematoriums, cemeteries and other facilities for final disposition of human remains.
 - (b) The registration of apprentices.

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- (c) The practice of funeral service practitioners, embalmers and death care consultants, and the operation of funeral establishments, immediate disposition companies, crematoriums, cemeteries and other facilities for final disposition of human remains.
- (d) Sanitary conditions of funeral establishments, crematoriums, cemeteries, other facilities for final disposition of human remains and any location in which human remains are stored or processed prior to final disposition.
 - (e) Matters necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.
- (2) The board shall have a common seal and, subject to any applicable provision of the State Personnel Relations Law, may employ staff, fix the compensation for them and incur other necessary expenses.
- [(2)] (3) Other than areas used as living quarters, the [board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall inspect not less than once biennially the facilities and records of funeral establishments, cemeteries, crematoriums and immediate disposition companies, other facilities for final disposition of human remains and any location in which human remains may be stored, temporarily held or processed prior to final disposition. The inspection of the records of such locations is limited to those records required to comply with this chapter, rules adopted by the board under this chapter or ORS chapter 432 or rules adopted pursuant thereto. The [board] agency may make random in-

spections at other times. The [board] agency shall employ one or more persons to perform such inspections and aid in the enforcement of this chapter and rules adopted [thereunder] by the board under this chapter. A person employed under this subsection may not be a member of the board or actively engaged in a practice regulated by this chapter.

- [(3) The board may hold hearings, conduct investigations, subpoena witnesses, administer oaths and take testimony in order to carry out the provisions of this chapter.]
- [(4) The board shall have a common seal and, subject to any applicable provision of the State Personnel Relations Law, may employ staff, fix the compensation for them and incur other necessary expenses.]

SECTION 215. ORS 692.350 is amended to read:

692.350. Except as provided in this section, after each change in the provisions of this chapter or in the rules adopted by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board under this chapter, the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall publish for distribution to funeral service practitioners, embalmers and apprentices and to other interested persons, the provisions of this chapter together with all rules adopted [under this chapter] by the board under this chapter. If a change or changes in the rules are not extensive in scope, the [board] agency may publish the changes in supplementary form.

SECTION 216. ORS 692.375 is amended to read:

692.375. [The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund.] All moneys received by the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency under this chapter shall be paid into the Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and are continuously appropriated [continuously to be used only] for the administration and enforcement of this chapter, for the administration and enforcement of ORS 97.931 and for the purpose of [education of] educating funeral service practitioners, embalmers and death care consultants. [Any interest or other income from moneys in the account shall be credited to the account.]

SECTION 217. ORS 692.385 is amended to read:

692.385. (1) Whenever it appears to the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] Oregon Health Licensing Agency that any person is engaged or about to engage in any acts or practices which constitute a violation of [any statute administered by the board, or any rule or order issued thereunder, the board] this chapter, a rule adopted by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board under this chapter or an order issued by the agency pursuant to this chapter, the agency may institute proceedings in the circuit courts to enforce obedience thereto by injunction, or by other processes, mandatory or otherwise, restraining such person, or its officers, agents, employees and representatives from further violation of [such statute, rule or order] this chapter, rule adopted under this chapter or order issued pursuant to this chapter, and enjoining upon them obedience thereto.

(2) The provisions of this section are in addition to and not in substitution of any other enforcement provisions contained in any statute administered by the [board] agency.

SECTION 218. ORS 692.387 is amended to read:

Agency, or any public officer, agent or employee of the [board] agency acting in the course of official duties, magistrates authorized to issue search warrants may issue an inspection warrant whenever an inspection or investigation of any place subject to [the jurisdiction of the board] regulation under this chapter is required or authorized. For purposes of this section, the inspection

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warrant is an order authorizing the inspection or investigation to be conducted at a designated place [subject to jurisdiction of the board].

SECTION 219. ORS 692.389 is amended to read:

692.389. (1) An inspection warrant shall be issued only upon cause, supported by affidavit, particularly describing the applicant's status in applying for the warrant under ORS 692.387 to 692.393, the statute, ordinance or regulation requiring or authorizing the inspection or investigation, the place to be inspected or investigated and the purpose for which the inspection or investigation is to be made including the basis upon which cause exists to inspect. In addition, the affidavit shall contain either a statement that entry has been sought and refused or facts or circumstances reasonably showing that the purposes of the inspection or investigation might be frustrated if entry were sought without an inspection warrant.

(2) Cause shall be considered to exist if reasonable legislative or administrative standards for conducting a routine, periodic or area inspection are satisfied with respect to the particular place subject to [the jurisdiction of the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] regulation under this chapter, or there is probable cause to believe that a condition of nonconformity with [a statute, rule or order within the board's authority] this chapter, rule adopted by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board under this chapter or order issued by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency pursuant to this chapter exists with respect to the particular place, or an investigation is reasonably believed to be necessary in order to determine or verify the existence of [jurisdiction or of a violation of any statute, rule or order enforceable by the board] a violation of this chapter, rule adopted by the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board under this chapter or order issued by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency pursuant to this chapter.

CONFORMING AMENDMENTS

SECTION 220. ORS 40.250 is amended to read:

40.250. A regulated social worker under ORS 675.510 to 675.600 may not be examined in a civil or criminal court proceeding as to any communication given the regulated social worker by a client in the course of noninvestigatory professional activity when the communication was given to enable the regulated social worker to aid the client, except when:

- (1) The client or a person legally responsible for the client's affairs gives consent to the disclosure;
- (2) The client initiates legal action or makes a complaint against the regulated social worker to the State Board of Licensed Social Workers or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency;
- (3) The communication reveals a clear intent to commit a crime that reasonably is expected to result in physical injury to a person;
 - (4) The communication reveals that a minor was the victim of a crime, abuse or neglect; or
- (5) The regulated social worker is a public employee and the public employer has determined that examination in a civil or criminal court proceeding is necessary in the performance of the duty of the regulated social worker as a public employee.

SECTION 221. ORS 40.262 is amended to read:

40.262. A professional counselor or a marriage and family therapist licensed [by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] under ORS 675.715 shall not be examined in a civil or criminal court proceeding as to any communication given the counselor or therapist by a client in the course of a noninvestigatory professional activity when such communication was

given to enable the counselor or the therapist to aid the client, except:

- (1) When the client or those persons legally responsible for the affairs of the client give consent to the disclosure. If both parties to a marriage have obtained marital and family therapy by a licensed marital and family therapist or a licensed counselor, the therapist or counselor shall not be competent to testify in a domestic relations action other than child custody action concerning information acquired in the course of the therapeutic relationship unless both parties consent;
- (2) When the client initiates legal action or makes a complaint against the licensed professional counselor or licensed marriage and family therapist to the [board] Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency;
 - (3) When the communication reveals the intent to commit a crime or harmful act; or
- (4) When the communication reveals that a minor is or is suspected to be the victim of crime, abuse or neglect.

SECTION 222. ORS 97.825 is amended to read:

- 97.825. (1) If the cemetery authority fails to remit to the trustee or trustees, in accordance with the law, the funds herein provided for endowment and special care, or fails to expend the net income from the funds and generally care for and maintain any portion of a cemetery entitled to endowment care, any three lot owners whose lots are entitled to endowment care, or any one lot owner whose lot is entitled to special care, or the next of kin, heirs at law or personal representatives of such lot owners, shall have the right, or the district attorney of any county wherein is situated such lots, shall have the power, by suit for mandatory injunction or for appointment of a receiver, to sue for, to take charge of, and to expend such net income. The suit may be filed in the circuit court of the county in which said cemetery is located, to compel the expenditure either by the cemetery authority or by any receiver so appointed by the court, of the net income from such endowment care fund for the purposes set out in ORS 97.010 to 97.040, 97.110 to 97.450, 97.510 to 97.730, 97.810 to 97.920 and 97.990.
- (2) When the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services has reason to believe that a cemetery endowment care fund does not conform to the requirement of law, or when the director has reason to believe that any cemetery is operating in violation of ORS 97.810 or 97.820, or when the director has sent an endowment care cemetery a notice of delinquency to make any report to the director required by ORS 97.810, the director shall, as soon thereafter as reasonable, give notice of the foregoing to the trustee or trustees of the cemetery endowment care fund, the cemetery authority, the Attorney General of Oregon and the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board. The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall inform the Oregon Health Licensing Agency
- (3) Within 120 days after the receipt of such notice, the Attorney General shall institute suit in the circuit court of any county of this state in which such cemetery is located, for a mandatory injunction against further sales of graves, plots, crypts, niches, burial vaults, markers or other cemetery merchandise by such cemetery or for the appointment of a receiver to take charge of the cemetery, unless the Attorney General shall prior to that time be notified by the director that such
- failure to conform to the requirements of the law or to report has been corrected.

 (4) The Attorney General may delay instituting any suit brought under subsection (3) of this

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- section for no more than an additional 30 days if, in the discretion of the Attorney General after consulting with the director, it appears to the Attorney General:
- (a) That the failure to conform to the requirements of the law or to report will be corrected; and

of notice received under this subsection.

- (b) That no harm to the public will occur during the additional 30 days.
- (5) If a trustee fails to perform the duties of the trustee under ORS 97.810 to 97.920, the trustee shall be liable for any damage resulting from that failure to any lot owners or the next of kin, heirs at law or personal representatives of such lot owners.
- (6) The court may award reasonable attorney fees, costs and disbursements to the prevailing party in an action under this section.

SECTION 223. ORS 97.931 is amended to read:

- 97.931. (1) A salesperson may not engage in prearrangement sales made by endowment care cemeteries under ORS 97.929 or in preconstruction sales or prearrangement sales unless the salesperson is registered with the **Oregon Health Licensing Agency in accordance with rules adopted by the** State Mortuary and Cemetery Board or holds a current funeral service practitioner license, embalmer license, funeral service practitioner apprentice registration or embalmer apprentice registration. The board by rule shall:
 - (a) Establish procedures for issuing salesperson registrations under this subsection;
 - (b) Establish standards for determining whether a salesperson registration should be issued;
 - (c) Set renewal and salesperson registration fees; and
 - (d) Require biennial renewal of salesperson registrations.
- (2) The agency shall issue registrations under this section. The [board] agency may conduct a background check of any salesperson applying for registration under subsection (1) of this section. The background check may include information solicited from the Department of State Police. After consideration of information obtained from any background check and any other information in its possession, the [board] agency shall determine, in accordance with rules adopted by the board under subsection (1) of this section, whether to register the salesperson.
- (3)(a) The [board] agency may impose a civil penalty of up to \$1,000 per violation or suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or renew the registration of a salesperson described in subsection (1) of this section upon a determination that the applicant or holder has not complied with the provisions of ORS 97.923 to 97.949 or ORS chapter 692, or any rules adopted thereunder. When the [board] agency proposes to take such action, the person affected by the action shall be accorded notice and an opportunity for hearing as provided by ORS chapter 183. The [board] agency shall notify the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services of its intent to take action against a salesperson or person acting as a salesperson.
- (b) The [board] agency shall suspend, revoke or refuse to issue or renew the registration of a salesperson if the director requests the [board] agency to take such action.
- (4) Fees and other moneys received by the [board] agency under this section shall be deposited into the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board Account established in ORS 692.375] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account.
- **SECTION 224.** ORS 97.933, as amended by section 4, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
- 97.933. (1) An entity may not engage in prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales, administer prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales or provide merchandise or services to fulfill prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales unless the entity is certified by the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services. Each location at which an entity engages in prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales, administers prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales or provides merchandise or services to fulfill prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales must be separately certified. The director shall:

- 1 (a) Establish procedures for issuing certificates required by this section.
 - (b) Establish standards for determining whether a certificate should be issued.
- 3 (c) Set certification and renewal fees.

- 4 (d) Require annual renewal of certification.
 - (e) Establish standards for rules of conduct of certified providers.
 - (2) The fees described in this section must be sufficient to meet the costs associated with the administration of ORS 97.923 to 97.949 and to maintain a reasonable emergency fund.
 - (3)(a) A certified provider shall file an annual report with the director on forms prescribed by the director by rule. The annual report must contain any information reasonably considered necessary by the director, including but not limited to:
 - (A) A disclosure of deposits and withdrawals of trust funds;
 - (B) The number of consecutively numbered prearrangement or preconstruction sales contracts sold during the reporting period;
 - (C) A complete inventory of the funeral merchandise and cemetery merchandise delivered in lieu of trust fund requirements under ORS 97.941, including:
 - (i) The location of the merchandise;
 - (ii) Merchandise serial numbers or warehouse receipt numbers identified by the name of the purchaser or the beneficiary; and
 - (iii) The statement of the certified provider that each item of merchandise is in the seller's possession at the specified location; and
 - (D) The number of withdrawals from or terminations of any trusts.
 - (b) If the annual report is not filed or is filed and shows any material discrepancy, the director may take appropriate action and send notification of the matter to the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board. The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall inform the Oregon Health Licensing Agency of notice received under this paragraph.
 - (c) The director may relieve a certified provider of the duty to file the annual report upon a determination that the certified provider has performed all obligations under the prearrangement sales contract or preconstruction sales contract, or that such obligations lawfully have been assumed by another certified provider or have been discharged or canceled.
 - (4) The director may audit the records of a certified provider that relate to prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales, as the director may consider appropriate. The director may refer any matter outside of normal auditing procedures to the office of the Attorney General for investigation and send notification of the referral to the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board. The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall inform the Oregon Health Licensing Agency of notice received under this subsection.
 - (5) The conduct of individuals, including salespersons as defined in ORS 97.923, employed by a certified provider is the direct responsibility of the certified provider.
 - (6) Authority to operate as a certified provider is not transferable. An entity that seeks to purchase or otherwise acquire control of a cemetery or funeral establishment shall first apply to the director to become a certified provider.
 - **SECTION 225.** ORS 97.941, as amended by section 8, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
 - 97.941. (1) Upon receiving anything of value under a prearrangement sales contract or preconstruction sales contract, the certified provider who sold the contract shall deposit the following amounts into one or more trust funds maintained pursuant to ORS 97.923 to 97.949, 97.992, 97.994

1 and 692.180:

- (a) If the amount received is in payment of a guaranteed prearrangement sales contract or guaranteed preconstruction sales contract, 90 percent of the amount received. The certified provider who sold the contract is entitled to receive the remaining 10 percent.
- (b) If the amount received is in payment of a nonguaranteed prearrangement sales contract or nonguaranteed preconstruction sales contract, 100 percent of the amount received.
- (2) A certified provider shall pay all trust funds required by ORS 97.923 to 97.949, 97.992, 97.994 and 692.180 directly to a master trustee or depository within five business days after the certified provider receives the funds from the purchaser.
- 10 (3)(a) If a certified provider places trust funds in a depository, the funds may be invested only 11 in:
 - (A) Certificates of deposit;
 - (B) United States Treasury bills;
 - (C) Issues of United States government agencies;
 - (D) Guaranteed investment contracts; or
 - (E) Banker's acceptances or corporate bonds rated A or better by Standard & Poor's Corporation or Moody's Investors Service.
 - (b) Prearrangement sales contract trust fund and preconstruction sales contract trust fund accounts must be in the name of the certified provider who sold the contract under ORS 97.923 to 97.949, 97.992, 97.994 and 692.180.
 - (4) A certified provider shall identify funds deposited in the trust fund account in the records of the certified provider by the name of the purchaser and beneficiary. The certified provider shall maintain records that specify the allocation of all earnings to each prearrangement sales contract or preconstruction sales contract. Nothing prohibits the certified provider from directing a master trustee or a depository to commingle the deposits in a trust fund account for purposes of managing and investing the funds. A joint trust fund account must be identified by the name of the certified provider.
 - (5) When a prearrangement sales contract or preconstruction sales contract includes rights of interment and funeral or cemetery merchandise or services, the terms of the contract must clearly provide for the application of payments received under the contract.
 - (6) An entity engaging in prearrangement sales or preconstruction sales that involve the sale of items subject to trust and any item not subject to trust may not increase the sales price of those items not subject to trust with the purpose of allocating a lesser sales price to items that require a deposit of trust funds.
 - (7)(a) Except when the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services has made the determination described in subsection (9)(a) of this section, a certified provider may appoint a successor certified provider. The master trustee or depository shall release the trust funds deposited under ORS 97.923 to 97.949, 97.992, 97.994 and 692.180 and accrued income only to the successor certified provider as described in ORS 97.943 and 97.944.
 - (b) If appointing a successor certified provider under this subsection, the original certified provider shall notify the director of the proposed change at least 30 days before the appointment.
 - (8) A certified provider may appoint a successor depository or a master trustee and shall notify the director of the proposed change at least 30 days before the appointment.
 - (9)(a) The director may appoint a successor certified provider upon a determination that:
 - (A) The original certified provider has failed to perform the duties of a certified provider;

- (B) The certificate issued to the original certified provider has been revoked or surrendered; and
- (C) The appointment of a successor certified provider is necessary to protect the interests of the purchasers and beneficiaries of prearrangement sales contracts or preconstruction sales contracts.
- (b) Depositories or master trustees holding deposits of trust funds by the original certified provider shall change their records to reflect the appointment of a successor certified provider upon receipt of written notice of the appointment from the director.
- (10) A trust fund account must be a single purpose fund. In the event of the certified provider's bankruptcy, the funds and accrued income are not available to any creditor as assets of the certified provider, but must be distributed to the purchasers or managed for the purchasers' benefit by the trustee in bankruptcy, receiver or assignee.
- (11)(a) If the original certified provider is licensed under ORS chapter 692 and voluntarily surrenders the license [to the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board], prearrangement sales contracts and preconstruction sales contracts must be transferred to the successor certified provider appointed by the director.
- (b) If the original certified provider is not licensed under ORS chapter 692, upon presentation of proof of the dissolution or insolvency, or merger with another certified provider, of the original certified provider, the depository shall release the prearrangement trust fund deposits or preconstruction trust fund deposits to the purchaser.
- (c) If the original certified provider is licensed under ORS chapter 692, upon proof of the insolvency or involuntary surrender of the license of the original certified provider, the depository shall release the prearrangement trust fund deposits or preconstruction trust fund deposits to the purchaser.
- (12) The purchaser or beneficiary of a prearrangement sales contract or preconstruction sales contract may be named cotrustee with the certified provider with the written consent of the purchaser or beneficiary.
- (13) A certified provider who has not appointed a master trustee and is placing funds with a depository shall have an annual audit of all trust account funds performed by an independent certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted accounting procedures. The certified provider shall provide the audit results to the director as part of the annual report required under ORS 97.933.
- **SECTION 226.** ORS 97.948, as amended by section 15, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
- 97.948. (1) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services may discipline a certified provider, master trustee or entity acting as a certified provider or master trustee without certification or registration who has been found by an audit or examination conducted by the director:
 - (a) To be in violation of ORS 97.923 to 97.949;
 - (b) To have liabilities that exceed assets;
 - (c) To be unable to meet obligations as they come due; or
 - (d) To be in a financial condition that fails to adequately protect the interests of customers.
- (2) In disciplining a certified provider, master trustee or entity acting as a certified provider or master trustee without certification or registration under subsection (1) of this section, the director may take the following actions:
 - (a) Impose probation.

(b) Suspend the certificate or registration.

(c) Revoke the certificate or registration.

- (d) Place limitations on the certificate or registration.
- (e) Refuse to issue or renew a certificate or registration.
 - (f) Issue an order to cease and desist from the activities that support the discipline.
 - (g) Take any other disciplinary action that the director finds proper, including assessment of the costs of the investigation and disciplinary proceedings and assessment of a civil penalty not to exceed \$10,000 per violation.
 - (3) If the certificate or registration of a certified provider or master trustee is suspended under this section, the holder of the certificate or registration may not engage in the activities allowed by the certificate or registration during the term of suspension. Upon the expiration of the term of suspension, the director shall reinstate the certificate or registration if the conditions for which the certificate or registration was suspended no longer exist.
 - (4) The director shall enter each case of disciplinary action on the records of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.
 - (5) Civil penalties under this section may be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.
 - (6) If the director takes disciplinary action under this section, the director may send a notice of the action to the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board and to the Attorney General. The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall inform the Oregon Health Licensing Agency of notice received under this subsection.
 - **SECTION 227.** ORS 97.949, as amended by section 16, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
 - 97.949. (1) If the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services has reason to believe that a person has violated any provision of ORS 97.923 to 97.949, the director may give the information relative to the violation to the appropriate federal, state or local law enforcement officer having jurisdiction over the violation.
 - (2) If the director, in the course of taking an action against a certified provider, master trustee or entity acting as a certified provider or master trustee without certification or registration, finds that a salesperson or person acting as a salesperson has violated any provision of ORS 97.923 to 97.949, the director shall provide the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board and the Oregon Health Licensing Agency with a copy of the findings and the order of the director. The [board] agency shall, upon receipt of such information, discipline the salesperson or person acting as a salesperson as required by law.

SECTION 228. ORS 109.675 is amended to read:

- 109.675. (1) A minor 14 years of age or older may obtain, without parental knowledge or consent, outpatient diagnosis or treatment of a mental or emotional disorder or a chemical dependency, excluding methadone maintenance, by a physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board, a psychologist licensed [by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners] under ORS 675.010 to 675.150, a nurse practitioner registered by the Oregon State Board of Nursing, a clinical social worker licensed [by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers] under ORS 675.510 to 675.600 or a community mental health program established and operated pursuant to ORS 430.620 when approved to do so by the Oregon Health Authority pursuant to rule.
- (2) However, the person providing treatment shall have the parents of the minor involved before the end of treatment unless the parents refuse or unless there are clear clinical indications to the contrary, which shall be documented in the treatment record. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to:

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- 1 (a) A minor who has been sexually abused by a parent; or
- 2 (b) An emancipated minor, whether emancipated under the provisions of ORS 109.510 and 109.520 or 419B.550 to 419B.558 or, for the purpose of this section only, emancipated by virtue of having lived apart from the parents or legal guardian while being self-sustaining for a period of 90 days prior to obtaining treatment as provided by this section.

SECTION 229. ORS 128.640 is amended to read:

- 128.640. (1) ORS 128.610 to 128.750 do not apply to the United States, any state, territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or to any of their agencies or governmental subdivisions.
 - (2) ORS 128.650 to 128.670 and 128.720 do not apply to:
- (a) Any religious corporation sole or other religious corporation or organization which holds property for religious purposes, or to any officer, director or trustee thereof who holds property for like purposes;
- (b) A cemetery that is registered [with the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] under ORS 692.275 or a historic cemetery listed with the Oregon Commission on Historic Cemeteries under ORS 97.782;
- 17 (c) A trustee that holds property for charitable purposes in the event that the sole beneficiary 18 of a charitable remainder trust serves as trustee; or
 - (d) A child-caring agency regulated under ORS 418.215 to 418.265.

SECTION 230. ORS 146.015 is amended to read:

- 146.015. (1) There is hereby established the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board.
- 22 (2) The board shall make policies for the administration of ORS 146.003 to 146.189 and the De-23 partment of State Police shall adopt rules to effectuate the policies.
 - (3) The board shall recommend the name or names of pathologists to the Superintendent of State Police from which the superintendent shall appoint the State Medical Examiner.
 - (4) The board consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor who are:
 - (a) The Chair of the Department of Pathology of the Oregon Health and Science University, who is the chairperson of the board;
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- 30 (c) A sheriff;

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- 31 (d) A trauma physician recommended by the State Trauma Advisory Board;
- 32 (e) A pathologist;
- 33 (f) A district attorney;
- 34 (g) A funeral service practitioner and embalmer licensed [by the State Mortuary and Cemetery

Board] under ORS chapter 692;

- (h) A chief of police;
- (i) A member of the defense bar;
- 38 (j) A member of the public at large; and
- 39 (k) A member of one of the federally recognized Oregon Indian tribes.
- 40 (5) The members described in subsection (4)(a) and (b) of this section may serve as long as they
 41 hold their respective positions. The term of office of each member described in subsection (4)(c), (f)
 42 and (h) of this section is for four years, except that the position becomes vacant if the member
 43 ceases to be a sheriff, district attorney or chief of police, respectively. The terms of office of the
 44 other members of the State Medical Examiner Advisory Board are for four years.
 - (6) A member of the board is entitled to compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495.

- (7) The board shall meet annually at a time and place determined by the chairperson. The chairperson or any four members of the board may call a special meeting upon not less than one week's notice to the members of the board.
 - (8) Six members of the board constitute a quorum.
 - **SECTION 231.** ORS 192.450 is amended to read:

- 192.450. (1) Subject to ORS 192.480 and subsection (4) of this section, any person denied the right to inspect or to receive a copy of any public record of a state agency may petition the Attorney General to review the public record to determine if it may be withheld from public inspection. Except as provided in subsection (5) of this section, the burden is on the agency to sustain its action. Except as provided in subsection (5) of this section, the Attorney General shall issue an order denying or granting the petition, or denying it in part and granting it in part, within seven days from the day the Attorney General receives the petition.
- (2) If the Attorney General grants the petition and orders the state agency to disclose the record, or if the Attorney General grants the petition in part and orders the state agency to disclose a portion of the record, the state agency shall comply with the order in full within seven days after issuance of the order, unless within the seven-day period it issues a notice of its intention to institute proceedings for injunctive or declaratory relief in the Circuit Court for Marion County or, as provided in subsection (6) of this section, in the circuit court of the county where the record is held. Copies of the notice shall be sent to the Attorney General and by certified mail to the petitioner at the address shown on the petition. The state agency shall institute the proceedings within seven days after it issues its notice of intention to do so. If the Attorney General denies the petition in whole or in part, or if the state agency continues to withhold the record or a part of it notwithstanding an order to disclose by the Attorney General, the person seeking disclosure may institute such proceedings.
- (3) The Attorney General shall serve as counsel for the state agency in a suit filed under subsection (2) of this section if the suit arises out of a determination by the Attorney General that the public record should not be disclosed, or that a part of the public record should not be disclosed if the state agency has fully complied with the order of the Attorney General requiring disclosure of another part or parts of the public record, and in no other case. In any case in which the Attorney General is prohibited from serving as counsel for the state agency, the agency may retain special counsel.
- (4) A person denied the right to inspect or to receive a copy of any public record of a health professional regulatory board, as defined in ORS 676.160, or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency under section 8 of this 2013 Act, that contains information concerning a licensee or applicant, and petitioning the Attorney General to review the public record shall, on or before the date of filing the petition with the Attorney General, send a copy of the petition by first class mail to the health professional regulatory board or agency. Not more than 48 hours after the board or agency receives a copy of the petition, the board or agency shall send a copy of the petition by first class mail to the licensee or applicant who is the subject of any record for which disclosure is sought. When sending a copy of the petition to the licensee or applicant, the board or agency shall include a notice informing the licensee or applicant that a written response by the licensee or applicant may be filed with the Attorney General not later than seven days after the date that the notice was sent by the board or agency. Immediately upon receipt of any written response from the licensee or applicant, the Attorney General shall send a copy of the response to the petitioner by first class mail.

- (5) The person seeking disclosure of a public record of a health professional regulatory board, as defined in ORS 676.160, or the agency that is confidential or exempt from disclosure under ORS 676.165 [or], 676.175 or section 8 of this 2013 Act, shall have the burden of demonstrating to the Attorney General by clear and convincing evidence that the public interest in disclosure outweighs other interests in nondisclosure, including but not limited to the public interest in nondisclosure. The Attorney General shall issue an order denying or granting the petition, or denying or granting it in part, not later than the 15th day following the day that the Attorney General receives the petition. A copy of the Attorney General's order granting a petition or part of a petition shall be served by first class mail on the health professional regulatory board or agency, the petitioner and the licensee or applicant who is the subject of any record ordered to be disclosed. The health professional regulatory board or agency shall not disclose any record prior to the seventh day following the service of the Attorney General's order on a licensee or applicant entitled to receive notice under this subsection.
 - (6) If the Attorney General grants or denies the petition for a record of a health professional regulatory board, as defined in ORS 676.160, or the agency that contains information concerning a licensee or applicant, the board, agency or a person denied the right to inspect or receive a copy of the record or the licensee or applicant who is the subject of the record may institute proceedings for injunctive or declaratory relief in the circuit court for the county where the public record is held. The party seeking disclosure of the record shall have the burden of demonstrating by clear and convincing evidence that the public interest in disclosure outweighs other interests in nondisclosure, including but not limited to the public interest in nondisclosure.
 - (7) The Attorney General may comply with a request of a health professional regulatory board **or the agency** to be represented by independent counsel in any proceeding under subsection (6) of this section.

SECTION 232. ORS 401.651 is amended to read:

401.651. As used in ORS 401.651 to 401.670:

- (1) "Health care facility" means a health care facility as defined in ORS 442.015 that has been licensed under ORS chapter 441.
 - (2) "Health care provider" means:

- (a) An individual licensed, certified or otherwise authorized or permitted by the laws of this state or another state to administer health care services in the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession; and
 - (b) A person entered in the emergency health care provider registry under ORS 401.658.
- (3) "Health professional regulatory board" [has the meaning given that term in ORS 676.160.] means the:
 - (a) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
 - (b) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners;
 - (c) State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- (d) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists;
- 40 (e) Oregon Board of Dentistry;
 - (f) Board of Licensed Dietitians;
 - (g) State Board of Massage Therapists;
 - (h) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;
- 44 (i) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
- 45 (j) Oregon State Board of Nursing;

- 1 (k) Nursing Home Administrators Board;
- 2 (L) Oregon Board of Optometry;
- 3 (m) State Board of Pharmacy;
- 4 (n) Oregon Medical Board;
- (o) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board;
- (p) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;
- 7 (q) State Board of Psychologist Examiners;
- (r) Board of Medical Imaging;

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- (s) Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board; and
- 10 **(t) Oregon Health Authority, to the extent that the authority licenses emergency medical**11 **services providers.**
 - SECTION 233. ORS 414.665 is amended to read:
 - 414.665. (1) The Oregon Health Authority, in consultation with the appropriate health professional regulatory boards as defined in ORS 676.160, appropriate boards and councils listed under ORS 676.606 and advocacy groups, shall develop and establish with respect to community health workers, personal health navigators, peer wellness specialists and other health care workers who are not regulated or certified by this state:
 - (a) The criteria and descriptions of such individuals that may be utilized by coordinated care organizations; and
 - (b) Education and training requirements for such individuals.
 - (2) The criteria and requirements established under subsection (1) of this section:
- 22 (a) Must be broad enough to encompass the potential unique needs of any coordinated care or-23 ganization;
 - (b) Must meet requirements of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to qualify for federal financial participation; and
 - (c) May not require certification by the Home Care Commission.
 - **SECTION 234.** ORS 430.010 is amended to read:
- 28 430.010. As used in ORS 430.010 to 430.050, 430.140, 430.160, 430.165, 430.265 and 430.610 to 430.695:
 - (1) "Authority" means the Oregon Health Authority.
 - (2) "Department" means the Department of Human Services.
 - (3) "Health facility" means a facility licensed as required by ORS 441.015 or a facility accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, either of which provides full-day or part-day acute treatment for alcoholism, drug addiction or mental or emotional disturbance, and is licensed to admit persons requiring 24-hour nursing care.
 - (4) "Mental retardation" is synonymous with "intellectual disability" as defined in ORS 427.005.
 - (5) "Residential facility" or "day or partial hospitalization program" means a program or facility providing an organized full-day or part-day program of treatment. Such a program or facility shall be licensed, approved, established, maintained, contracted with or operated by the authority under:
- 40 (a) ORS 430.265 to 430.380 and 430.610 to 430.880 for alcoholism;
- 41 (b) ORS 430.265 to 430.380, 430.405 to 430.565 and 430.610 to 430.880 for drug addiction; or
- 42 (c) ORS 430.610 to 430.880 for mental or emotional disturbances.
- 43 (6) "Outpatient service" means:
- 44 (a) A program or service providing treatment by appointment and by:
- 45 (A) Medical or osteopathic physicians licensed by the Oregon Medical Board under ORS 677.010

- 1 to 677.450;
- 2 (B) Psychologists licensed [by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners] under ORS 675.010 to 675.150;
- 4 (C) Nurse practitioners registered by the Oregon State Board of Nursing under ORS 678.010 to 678.410;
- 6 (D) Regulated social workers authorized to practice regulated social work [by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers] under ORS 675.510 to 675.600; or
- 8 (E) Professional counselors or marriage and family therapists licensed [by the Oregon Board of 9 Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] under ORS 675.715 to 675.835; or
- 10 (b) A program or service providing treatment by appointment that is licensed, approved, estab-11 lished, maintained, contracted with or operated by the authority under:
 - (A) ORS 430.265 to 430.380 and 430.610 to 430.880 for alcoholism;
- 13 (B) ORS 430.265 to 430.380, 430.405 to 430.565 and 430.610 to 430.880 for drug addiction; or
- 14 (C) ORS 430.610 to 430.880 for mental or emotional disturbances.
- SECTION 235. ORS 431.960 is amended to read:
- 16 431.960. As used in ORS 431.962 to 431.978 and 431.992:
- 17 (1) "Dispense" and "dispensing" have the meanings given those terms in ORS 689.005.
- 18 (2) "Drug outlet" has the meaning given that term in ORS 689.005.
- 19 (3) "Health professional regulatory board" [has the meaning given that term in ORS 676.160.]

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- 21 (a) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
- 22 (b) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners;
- 23 (c) State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- 24 (d) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists;
- 25 (e) Oregon Board of Dentistry;
- 26 (f) Board of Licensed Dietitians;
- 27 (g) State Board of Massage Therapists;
- 28 (h) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;
- 29 (i) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
- 30 (j) Oregon State Board of Nursing;
- 31 (k) Nursing Home Administrators Board;
- 32 (L) Oregon Board of Optometry;
- 33 (m) State Board of Pharmacy;
- 34 (n) Oregon Medical Board;
- (o) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board;
- 36 (p) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;
- 37 (q) State Board of Psychologist Examiners;
 - (r) Board of Medical Imaging;
- 39 (s) Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board; and
- 40 (t) Oregon Health Authority, to the extent that the authority licenses emergency medical 41 services providers.
 - (4) "Practitioner" has the meaning given that term in ORS 689.005.
- 43 (5) "Prescription" has the meaning given that term in ORS 475.005.
- 44 (6) "Prescription drug" has the meaning given that term in ORS 689.005.
- 45 **SECTION 236.** ORS 431.972 is amended to read:

- 1 431.972. (1) As used in this section, "board" means:
- 2 (a) The Oregon Medical Board;
- 3 (b) The Oregon Board of Dentistry;
- 4 (c) The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
- 5 (d) The Oregon State Board of Nursing;
 - (e) The Oregon Board of Optometry; and
- (f) The State Board of Pharmacy.

- (2)(a) In addition to other licensing fees imposed by a board on licensees, a board shall adopt rules imposing a fee of \$25 per year on each person licensed by the board who is authorized to prescribe or dispense controlled substances. A board or, if the board is the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall collect the fee at the same time the board or agency collects other licensing fees imposed on licensees.
- (b) A board **or the agency** shall retain 10 percent of the fees collected under paragraph (a) of this subsection to cover the costs of accounting and collection of the fees.
- (c) On the first day of each calendar quarter, a board **or the agency** shall transmit 90 percent of the fees collected under paragraph (a) of this subsection during the preceding calendar quarter to the Electronic Prescription Monitoring Fund established in ORS 431.974.

SECTION 237. ORS 432.005 is amended to read:

- 432.005. As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise:
- (1) "Authority" means the Oregon Health Authority.
- (2) "Dead body" means a human body or such parts of such human body from the condition of which it reasonably may be concluded that death occurred.
 - (3) "Director" means the Director of the Oregon Health Authority.
 - (4) "Divorce" means dissolution of a marriage.
- (5) "Fetal death" means death prior to the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of human conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy. The death is indicated by the fact that after such expulsion or extraction the fetus does not breathe or show any other evidence of life such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite movement of the voluntary muscles.
- (6) "File" means the presentation and acceptance of a vital record or vital report provided for in this chapter by the Center for Health Statistics.
- (7) "Final disposition" means the burial, interment, cremation, removal from the state or other authorized disposition of a dead body or fetus, except that when removal from the state is conducted by the holder of a certificate of removal registration issued under ORS 692.270, the final disposition may not be considered complete until the certificate of death is filed.
- (8) "Induced termination of pregnancy" means the purposeful interruption of an intrauterine pregnancy with the intention other than to produce a live-born infant and that does not result in a live birth.
- (9) "Institution" means any establishment, public or private, that provides inpatient or outpatient medical, surgical or diagnostic care or treatment or nursing, custodial or domiciliary care, or to which persons are committed by law.
- (10) "Live birth" means the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of human conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, that, after such expulsion or extraction, breathes or shows any other evidence of life such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has

1 been cut or the placenta is attached.

- (11) "Person acting as a funeral service practitioner" means:
- (a) A person other than a funeral service practitioner licensed under ORS 692.045, including but not limited to a relative, friend or other interested party, who performs the duties of a funeral service practitioner without payment; or
- (b) A funeral service practitioner who files death certificates in another state if the funeral service practitioner is employed by a funeral establishment licensed in another state and registered [with the State Mortuary and Cemetery Board] under ORS 692.270.
- (12) "Physician" means a person authorized or licensed under the laws of this state to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic or naturopathic medicine.
- (13) "Registration" means the process by which vital records and vital reports are completed, filed and incorporated into the official records of the Center for Health Statistics.
 - (14) "State registrar" means the State Registrar of the Center for Health Statistics.
- (15) "System of vital statistics" means the registration, collection, preservation, amendment and certification of vital records and vital reports; the collection of other reports required by this chapter, and activities related thereto including the tabulation, analysis, dissemination and publication of vital statistics and training in the use of health data.
- (16) "Vital records" means certificates or reports of birth, death, marriage, declaration of domestic partnership, dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership and data related thereto.
- (17) "Vital reports" means reports of fetal death, induced termination of pregnancy, suicide attempts by persons under 18 years of age and survey and questionnaire documents and data related thereto.
- (18) "Vital statistics" means the data derived from certificates and reports of birth, death, fetal death, induced termination of pregnancy, marriage, declaration of domestic partnership, dissolution of marriage, dissolution of domestic partnership, suicide attempts by persons under 18 years of age and related reports.

SECTION 238. ORS 432.312 is amended to read:

- 432.312. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall impose and collect a filing fee of \$20 for each certificate of death. Of the fee, \$6 shall be deposited to the credit of the Public Health Account and used to carry out the purposes of ORS 97.170 (6) and \$14 shall be deposited to the credit of the [State Mortuary and Cemetery Board Account] Oregon Health Licensing Agency Account and used in the same manner as funds credited to the account under ORS 692.375.
- (2) The expenditures under ORS 97.170 (6) and 692.375 may not exceed the funds collected under subsection (1) of this section, and in no event may expenditure on the administration of the funds exceed five percent of the moneys collected.

SECTION 239. ORS 433.010 is amended to read:

- 433.010. (1) No person shall willfully cause the spread of any communicable disease within this state.
- (2) Whenever Oregon Revised Statutes require a person to secure a health certificate, such certificate shall be acquired, in accordance with the rules of the Oregon Health Authority, from a physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board or by the Oregon [Board of] Health Licensing Agency to practice naturopathic medicine [in accordance with the rules of the Oregon Health Authority].
- **SECTION 240.** ORS 433.035 is amended to read:
- 433.035. (1)(a) The Public Health Director or a local public health administrator may require

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testing or medical examination of any person who may have, or may have been exposed to, a communicable disease identified by rule of the Oregon Health Authority to be a reportable disease, a new or uncommon disease of potential public health significance, or a condition that is the basis of a state of public health emergency declared by the Governor as authorized by ORS 433.441. The Public Health Director or the local public health administrator must issue a written order for testing or medical examination pursuant to this section.

(b) A written order must:

- (A) Include findings stating the communicable disease that the Public Health Director or the local public health administrator believes the person has and the reasons for that belief.
- (B) State whether medical or laboratory confirmation of the disease is feasible and possible and whether such confirmation would enable control measures to be taken to minimize infection of others with the disease.
- (C) Include a statement that the person may refuse to submit to the testing or medical examination and that if the testing or examination is refused, the Public Health Director or the local public health administrator may seek the imposition of a public health measure, including isolation or quarantine pursuant to ORS 433.121 or 433.123.
- (2) When a person is directed to submit to a test or examination under this section and the person agrees to do so, the person shall submit to any testing or examination as may be necessary to establish the presence or absence of the communicable disease for which the testing or examination was directed. The examination shall be carried out by the local health officer or a physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board or the Oregon [Board of] Health Licensing Agency to practice naturopathic medicine. A written report of the results of the test or examination shall be provided to the person ordering the test or examination, and upon request, to the person tested or examined. Laboratory examinations, if any, shall be carried out by the laboratory of the authority whenever the examinations are within the scope of the tests conducted by the laboratory. If treatment is needed, the person or the parent or guardian of the person shall be liable for the costs of treatment based on the examination carried out under this section, if the person liable is able to pay the treatment costs. Cost of any examination performed by a physician in private practice shall be paid from public funds available to the local public health administrator, if any, or from county funds available for general governmental expenses in the county that the local public health administrator serves or in the county where the person tested or examined resides if the local public health administrator serves more than one county or the test or examination was ordered by the Public Health Director or local public health administrator.
- (3) If a person has a communicable disease, a new or uncommon disease of potential public health significance, or a condition that is the basis of a state of public health emergency, the Public Health Director or the local public health administrator may issue an order requiring the person to complete an appropriate prescribed course of medication or other treatment for the communicable disease, including directly observed therapy if appropriate, and to follow infection control provisions for the disease. The order shall also include statements that the person may refuse the medication or other treatment and that the person's failure to comply with the order issued under this subsection may result in the Public Health Director or the local public health administrator seeking the imposition of a public health measure, including isolation or quarantine as authorized by ORS 433.121 and 433.123.
- (4) The Public Health Director or the local public health administrator must make every effort to obtain voluntary compliance from a person for any testing, medical examination and treatment

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- 2 (5) Any action taken by the Public Health Director or the local public health administrator un3 der this section to compel testing, medical examination or treatment of a person who has a
 4 communicable disease, a new or uncommon disease of potential public health significance, or a
 5 condition that is the basis of a state of public health emergency must be the least restrictive alter6 native available to accomplish the results necessary to minimize the transmission of the disease to
 7 others.
- 8 **SECTION 241.** ORS 433.045, as amended by section 1, chapter 26, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:
 - 433.045. (1) As used in this section:
- 11 (a) "Health care provider" means an individual licensed by a health [professional] regulatory 12 board[, as that term is defined in ORS 676.160].
 - (b) "Health regulatory board" means the:
 - (A) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
- 15 (B) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners;
- 16 (C) State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- 17 (D) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists;
- 18 **(E) Oregon Board of Dentistry;**
- 19 (F) Board of Licensed Dietitians;
- 20 (G) State Board of Massage Therapists;
- 21 (H) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;
- 22 (I) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
- 23 (J) Oregon State Board of Nursing;
- 24 (K) Nursing Home Administrators Board;
- 25 (L) Oregon Board of Optometry;
- 26 (M) State Board of Pharmacy;
- 27 (N) Oregon Medical Board;
- 28 (O) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board;
 - (P) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;
- 30 (Q) State Board of Psychologist Examiners;
 - (R) Board of Medical Imaging;
 - (S) Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board; and
- 33 (T) Oregon Health Authority, to the extent that the authority licenses emergency med-34 ical services providers.
 - [(b)] (c) "HIV test" means a test of an individual for the presence of HIV, or for antibodies or antigens that result from HIV infection, or for any other substance specifically indicating infection with HIV.
 - [(c)] (d) "Insurance producer" has the meaning given that term in ORS 746.600.
- 39 [(d)] (e) "Insurance-support organization" has the meaning given that term in ORS 746.600.
- 40 [(e)] (f) "Insurer" has the meaning given that term in ORS 731.106.
- 41 (2) Except as provided in ORS 433.017, 433.055 (3) and 433.080, a health care provider or the 42 provider's designee shall, before subjecting an individual to an HIV test:
 - (a) Notify the individual being tested; and
- 44 (b) Allow the individual being tested the opportunity to decline the test.
- 45 (3) The notification and opportunity to decline testing required under subsection (2) of this sec-

tion may be verbal or in writing, and may be contained in a general medical consent form.

- (4)(a) Regardless of the manner of receipt or the source of the information, including information received from the tested individual, a person may not disclose or be compelled to disclose the identity of any individual upon whom an HIV-related test is performed, or the results of such a test in a manner that permits identification of the subject of the test, except as required or permitted by federal law, the law of this state or any rule, including any authority rule considered necessary for public health or health care purposes, or as authorized by the individual whose blood is tested.
- (b) This subsection does not apply to an individual acting in a private capacity and not in an employment, occupational or professional capacity.
- (5) A person who complies with the requirements of this section is not subject to an action for civil damages.
- (6) Whenever an insurer, insurance producer or insurance-support organization asks an applicant for insurance to take an HIV test in connection with an application for insurance, the insurer, insurance producer or insurance-support organization must reveal the use of the test to the applicant and obtain the written consent of the applicant. The consent form must disclose the purpose of the test and the persons to whom the results may be disclosed.

SECTION 242. ORS 433.235 is amended to read:

433.235. As used in ORS 433.235 to 433.284:

- (1) "Administrator" means the principal or other person having general control and supervision of a school or children's facility.
 - (2) "Children's facility" or "facility" means:
- (a) A certified child care facility as described in ORS 657A.030 and 657A.250 to 657A.450, except as exempted by rule of the Oregon Health Authority;
- (b) A program operated by, or sharing the premises with, a certified child care facility, school or post-secondary institution where care is provided to children, six weeks of age to kindergarten entry, except as exempted by rule of the authority; or
- (c) A program providing child care or educational services to children, six weeks of age to kindergarten entry, in a residential or nonresidential setting, except as exempted by rule of the authority.
- (3) "Local health department" means the district or county board of health, public health officer, public health administrator or health department having jurisdiction within the area.
 - (4) "Parent" means a parent or guardian of a child or any adult responsible for the child.
- (5) "Physician" means a physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board or by the Oregon [Board of] **Health Licensing Agency to practice** naturopathic medicine or a physician similarly licensed by another state or country in which the physician practices or a commissioned medical officer of the Armed Forces or Public Health Service of the United States.
- (6) "School" means a public, private, parochial, charter or alternative educational program offering kindergarten through grade 12 or any part thereof, except as exempted by rule of the authority.

SECTION 243. ORS 438.220 is amended to read:

438.220. Notwithstanding ORS 438.210, a person is qualified to act as the laboratory director of the clinical laboratory at any accredited chiropractic college in this state for the benefit of chiropractic patients if that person is a chiropractic physician licensed [by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners,] under ORS chapter 684 and possesses special qualifications, as determined by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, that enable that person to perform as a laboratory

1 director.

SECTION 244. ORS 441.057 is amended to read:

- 441.057. (1) Rules adopted pursuant to ORS 441.025 shall include procedures for the filing of complaints as to the standard of care in any health care facility and provide for the confidentiality of the identity of any complainant.
- (2) A health care facility, or person acting in the interest of the facility, may not take any disciplinary or other adverse action against any employee who in good faith brings evidence of inappropriate care or any other violation of law or rules to the attention of the proper authority solely because of the employee's action as described in this subsection.
- (3) Any employee who has knowledge of inappropriate care or any other violation of law or rules shall utilize established reporting procedures of the health care facility administration before notifying the Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Authority or other state agency of the alleged violation, unless the employee believes that patient health or safety is in immediate jeopardy or the employee makes the report to the department or the authority under the confidentiality provisions of subsection (1) of this section.
- (4) The protection of health care facility employees under subsection (2) of this section shall commence with the reporting of the alleged violation by the employee to the administration of the health care facility or to the department, authority or other state agency pursuant to subsection (3) of this section.
- (5) Any person suffering loss or damage due to any violation of subsection (2) of this section has a right of action for damages in addition to other appropriate remedy.
- (6) The provisions of this section do not apply to a nursing staff, as defined in ORS 441.172, who claims to be aggrieved by a violation of ORS 441.174 committed by a hospital.
- (7) Information obtained by the department or the authority during an investigation of a complaint or reported violation under this section is confidential and not subject to public disclosure under ORS 192.410 to 192.505. Upon the conclusion of the investigation, the department or the authority may publicly release a report of the department's or the authority's findings but may not include information in the report that could be used to identify the complainant or any patient at the health care facility. The department or the authority may use any information obtained during an investigation in an administrative or judicial proceeding concerning the licensing of a health care facility, and may report information obtained during an investigation to a health professional regulatory board, as defined in ORS 676.160, or the Oregon Health Licensing Agency as that information pertains to a licensee of the board or agency.

SECTION 245. ORS 656.005 is amended to read:

- 656.005. (1) "Average weekly wage" means the Oregon average weekly wage in covered employment, as determined by the Employment Department, for the last quarter of the calendar year preceding the fiscal year in which the injury occurred.
- (2) "Beneficiary" means an injured worker, and the husband, wife, child or dependent of a worker, who is entitled to receive payments under this chapter. "Beneficiary" does not include:
- (a) A spouse of an injured worker living in a state of abandonment for more than one year at the time of the injury or subsequently. A spouse who has lived separate and apart from the worker for a period of two years and who has not during that time received or attempted by process of law to collect funds for support or maintenance is considered living in a state of abandonment.
 - (b) A person who intentionally causes the compensable injury to or death of an injured worker.
 - (3) "Board" means the Workers' Compensation Board.

- (4) "Carrier-insured employer" means an employer who provides workers' compensation coverage with the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation or an insurer authorized under ORS chapter 731 to transact workers' compensation insurance in this state.
- (5) "Child" includes a posthumous child, a child legally adopted prior to the injury, a child toward whom the worker stands in loco parentis, a child born out of wedlock and a stepchild, if such stepchild was, at the time of the injury, a member of the worker's family and substantially dependent upon the worker for support. A dependent child who is an invalid is a child, for purposes of benefits, regardless of age, so long as the child was an invalid at the time of the accident and thereafter remains an invalid substantially dependent on the worker for support. For purposes of this chapter, a dependent child who is an invalid is considered to be a child under 18 years of age.
- (6) "Claim" means a written request for compensation from a subject worker or someone on the worker's behalf, or any compensable injury of which a subject employer has notice or knowledge.
- (7)(a) A "compensable injury" is an accidental injury, or accidental injury to prosthetic appliances, arising out of and in the course of employment requiring medical services or resulting in disability or death; an injury is accidental if the result is an accident, whether or not due to accidental means, if it is established by medical evidence supported by objective findings, subject to the following limitations:
- (A) No injury or disease is compensable as a consequence of a compensable injury unless the compensable injury is the major contributing cause of the consequential condition.
- (B) If an otherwise compensable injury combines at any time with a preexisting condition to cause or prolong disability or a need for treatment, the combined condition is compensable only if, so long as and to the extent that the otherwise compensable injury is the major contributing cause of the disability of the combined condition or the major contributing cause of the need for treatment of the combined condition.
 - (b) "Compensable injury" does not include:

- (A) Injury to any active participant in assaults or combats which are not connected to the job assignment and which amount to a deviation from customary duties;
- (B) Injury incurred while engaging in or performing, or as the result of engaging in or performing, any recreational or social activities primarily for the worker's personal pleasure; or
- (C) Injury the major contributing cause of which is demonstrated to be by a preponderance of the evidence the injured worker's consumption of alcoholic beverages or the unlawful consumption of any controlled substance, unless the employer permitted, encouraged or had actual knowledge of such consumption.
- (c) A "disabling compensable injury" is an injury which entitles the worker to compensation for disability or death. An injury is not disabling if no temporary benefits are due and payable, unless there is a reasonable expectation that permanent disability will result from the injury.
 - (d) A "nondisabling compensable injury" is any injury which requires medical services only.
- (8) "Compensation" includes all benefits, including medical services, provided for a compensable injury to a subject worker or the worker's beneficiaries by an insurer or self-insured employer pursuant to this chapter.
 - (9) "Department" means the Department of Consumer and Business Services.
- (10) "Dependent" means any of the following-named relatives of a worker whose death results from any injury: Father, mother, grandfather, grandmother, stepfather, stepmother, grandson, granddaughter, brother, sister, half sister, half brother, niece or nephew, who at the time of the accident, are dependent in whole or in part for their support upon the earnings of the worker.

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- 1 Unless otherwise provided by treaty, aliens not residing within the United States at the time of the 2 accident other than father, mother, husband, wife or children are not included within the term "de-3 pendent."
 - (11) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.
 - (12)(a) "Doctor" or "physician" means a person duly licensed to practice one or more of the healing arts in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States within the limits of the license of the licentiate.
 - (b) Except as otherwise provided for workers subject to a managed care contract, "attending physician" means a doctor, physician or physician assistant who is primarily responsible for the treatment of a worker's compensable injury and who is:
 - (A) A medical doctor or doctor of osteopathy licensed under ORS 677.100 to 677.228 by the Oregon Medical Board, or a podiatric physician and surgeon licensed under ORS 677.805 to 677.840 by the Oregon Medical Board, an oral and maxillofacial surgeon licensed by the Oregon Board of Dentistry or a similarly licensed doctor in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States; or
 - (B) For a cumulative total of 60 days from the first visit on the initial claim or for a cumulative total of 18 visits, whichever occurs first, to any of the medical service providers listed in this subparagraph, a:
 - (i) Doctor or physician licensed [by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for the State of Oregon] to practice chiropractic under ORS chapter 684 or a similarly licensed doctor or physician in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States;
 - (ii) Physician assistant licensed by the Oregon Medical Board in accordance with ORS 677.505 to 677.525 or a similarly licensed physician assistant in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States; or
 - (iii) Doctor of naturopathy or naturopathic physician licensed [by the Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine] under ORS chapter 685 or a similarly licensed doctor or physician in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States.
 - (c) Except as otherwise provided for workers subject to a managed care contract, "attending physician" does not include a physician who provides care in a hospital emergency room and refers the injured worker to a primary care physician for follow-up care and treatment.
 - (d) "Consulting physician" means a doctor or physician who examines a worker or the worker's medical record to advise the attending physician or nurse practitioner authorized to provide compensable medical services under ORS 656.245 regarding treatment of a worker's compensable injury.
 - (13)(a) "Employer" means any person, including receiver, administrator, executor or trustee, and the state, state agencies, counties, municipal corporations, school districts and other public corporations or political subdivisions, who contracts to pay a remuneration for and secures the right to direct and control the services of any person.
 - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, for purposes of this chapter, the client of a temporary service provider is not the employer of temporary workers provided by the temporary service provider.
 - (c) As used in paragraph (b) of this subsection, "temporary service provider" has the meaning for that term provided in ORS 656.850.
 - (14) "Insurer" means the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation or an insurer authorized under ORS chapter 731 to transact workers' compensation insurance in this state or an assigned

1 claims agent selected by the director under ORS 656.054.

- (15) "Consumer and Business Services Fund" means the fund created by ORS 705.145.
- (16) "Invalid" means one who is physically or mentally incapacitated from earning a livelihood.
- (17) "Medically stationary" means that no further material improvement would reasonably be expected from medical treatment, or the passage of time.
 - (18) "Noncomplying employer" means a subject employer who has failed to comply with ORS 656.017.
 - (19) "Objective findings" in support of medical evidence are verifiable indications of injury or disease that may include, but are not limited to, range of motion, atrophy, muscle strength and palpable muscle spasm. "Objective findings" does not include physical findings or subjective responses to physical examinations that are not reproducible, measurable or observable.
 - (20) "Palliative care" means medical service rendered to reduce or moderate temporarily the intensity of an otherwise stable medical condition, but does not include those medical services rendered to diagnose, heal or permanently alleviate or eliminate a medical condition.
 - (21) "Party" means a claimant for compensation, the employer of the injured worker at the time of injury and the insurer, if any, of such employer.
 - (22) "Payroll" means a record of wages payable to workers for their services and includes commissions, value of exchange labor and the reasonable value of board, rent, housing, lodging or similar advantage received from the employer. However, "payroll" does not include overtime pay, vacation pay, bonus pay, tips, amounts payable under profit-sharing agreements or bonus payments to reward workers for safe working practices. Bonus pay is limited to payments which are not anticipated under the contract of employment and which are paid at the sole discretion of the employer. The exclusion from payroll of bonus payments to reward workers for safe working practices is only for the purpose of calculations based on payroll to determine premium for workers' compensation insurance, and does not affect any other calculation or determination based on payroll for the purposes of this chapter.
 - (23) "Person" includes partnership, joint venture, association, limited liability company and corporation.
 - (24)(a) "Preexisting condition" means, for all industrial injury claims, any injury, disease, congenital abnormality, personality disorder or similar condition that contributes to disability or need for treatment, provided that:
 - (A) Except for claims in which a preexisting condition is arthritis or an arthritic condition, the worker has been diagnosed with such condition, or has obtained medical services for the symptoms of the condition regardless of diagnosis; and
 - (B)(i) In claims for an initial injury or omitted condition, the diagnosis or treatment precedes the initial injury;
 - (ii) In claims for a new medical condition, the diagnosis or treatment precedes the onset of the new medical condition; or
- (iii) In claims for a worsening pursuant to ORS 656.273 or 656.278, the diagnosis or treatment precedes the onset of the worsened condition.
- (b) "Preexisting condition" means, for all occupational disease claims, any injury, disease, congenital abnormality, personality disorder or similar condition that contributes to disability or need for treatment and that precedes the onset of the claimed occupational disease, or precedes a claim for worsening in such claims pursuant to ORS 656.273 or 656.278.
 - (c) For the purposes of industrial injury claims, a condition does not contribute to disability or

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- need for treatment if the condition merely renders the worker more susceptible to the injury.
 - (25) "Self-insured employer" means an employer or group of employers certified under ORS 656.430 as meeting the qualifications set out by ORS 656.407.
 - (26) "State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation" and "corporation" mean the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation created under ORS 656.752.
 - (27) "Subject employer" means an employer who is subject to this chapter as provided by ORS 656.023.
- (28) "Subject worker" means a worker who is subject to this chapter as provided by ORS 656.027.
- (29) "Wages" means the money rate at which the service rendered is recompensed under the contract of hiring in force at the time of the accident, including reasonable value of board, rent, housing, lodging or similar advantage received from the employer, and includes the amount of tips required to be reported by the employer pursuant to section 6053 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, or the amount of actual tips reported, whichever amount is greater. The State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation may establish assumed minimum and maximum wages, in conformity with recognized insurance principles, at which any worker shall be carried upon the payroll of the employer for the purpose of determining the premium of the employer.
- (30) "Worker" means any person, including a minor whether lawfully or unlawfully employed, who engages to furnish services for a remuneration, subject to the direction and control of an employer and includes salaried, elected and appointed officials of the state, state agencies, counties, cities, school districts and other public corporations, but does not include any person whose services are performed as an inmate or ward of a state institution or as part of the eligibility requirements for a general or public assistance grant. For the purpose of determining entitlement to temporary disability benefits or permanent total disability benefits under this chapter, "worker" does not include a person who has withdrawn from the workforce during the period for which such benefits are sought.
 - (31) "Independent contractor" has the meaning for that term provided in ORS 670.600.

SECTION 246. ORS 656.799 is amended to read:

- 656.799. (1) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services shall develop and make available to medical service providers informational materials about the workers' compensation system including, but not limited to, the management of indemnity claims, standards for the authorization of temporary disability benefits, return to work responsibilities and programs, and workers' compensation rules and procedures for medical service providers.
- (2) Prior to providing compensable medical services or authorizing temporary disability benefits under ORS 656.245, a medical service provider must certify, in a form acceptable to the director, that the medical service provider has reviewed the materials developed under this section.
 - (3) As used in this section, "medical service provider" means a:
- (a) Doctor or physician licensed [by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for the State of Oregon] to practice chiropractic under ORS chapter 684 or a similarly licensed doctor or physician in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States;
- (b) Physician assistant licensed by the Oregon Medical Board in accordance with ORS 677.505 to 677.525 or a similarly licensed physician assistant in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States; or
 - (c) Doctor of naturopathy or naturopathic physician licensed [by the Oregon Board of

- 1 Naturopathic Medicine] under ORS chapter 685 or a similarly licensed doctor or physician in any country or in any state, territory or possession of the United States.
- 3 <u>SECTION 247.</u> As used in ORS 676.110, 676.120 and 676.130, "health professional regulatory board" means the:
 - (1) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
- 6 (2) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners;
- 7 (3) State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- 8 (4) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists;
- 9 (5) Oregon Board of Dentistry;

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- 10 (6) Board of Licensed Dietitians;
- 11 (7) State Board of Massage Therapists;
- 12 (8) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;
- 13 (9) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
- 14 (10) Oregon State Board of Nursing;
- 15 (11) Nursing Home Administrators Board;
- 16 (12) Oregon Board of Optometry;
- 17 (13) State Board of Pharmacy;
- 18 (14) Oregon Medical Board;
- 19 (15) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board;
- 20 (16) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;
- 21 (17) State Board of Psychologist Examiners;
- 22 (18) Board of Medical Imaging;
 - (19) Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board; and
 - (20) Oregon Health Authority, to the extent that the authority licenses emergency medical services providers.
- SECTION 248. ORS 676.110 is amended to read:
 - 676.110. (1) An individual practicing a health care profession may not use the title "doctor" in connection with the profession, unless the individual:
 - (a) Has earned a doctoral degree in the individual's field of practice; and
 - (b)(A) Is licensed by a health professional regulatory board [as defined in ORS 676.160] to practice the particular health care profession in which the individual's doctoral degree was earned; or
 - (B) Is working under a board-approved residency contract and is practicing under the license of a supervisor who is licensed by a health professional regulatory board [as defined in ORS 676.160] to practice the particular health care profession in which the individual's doctoral degree was earned.
 - (2) If an individual uses the title "doctor" in connection with a health care profession at any time, the individual must designate the health care profession in which the individual's doctoral degree was earned on all written or printed matter, advertising, billboards, signs or professional notices used in connection with the health care profession, regardless of whether the individual's name or the title "doctor" appears on the written or printed matter, advertising, billboard, sign or professional notice. The designation must be in letters or print at least one-fourth the size of the largest letters used on the written or printed matter, advertising, billboard, sign or professional notice, and in material, color, type or illumination to give display and legibility of at least one-fourth that of the largest letters used on the written or printed matter, advertising, billboard, sign or pro-

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- 2 (3) Subsection (1) of this section does not prohibit:
- 3 (a) A chiropractic physician licensed under ORS chapter 684 from using the title "chiropractic physician";
- 5 (b) A naturopathic physician licensed under ORS chapter 685 from using the title "naturopathic physician";
 - (c) A person licensed to practice optometry under ORS chapter 683 from using the title "doctor of optometry" or "optometric physician"; or
 - (d) A podiatric physician licensed under ORS 677.805 to 677.840 from using the title "podiatric physician."

SECTION 249. ORS 676.120 is amended to read:

676.120. Notwithstanding ORS 676.110, upon the death of any person duly licensed by a health professional regulatory board [as defined in ORS 676.160], the executors of the estate or the heirs, assigns, associates or partners may retain the use of the decedent's name, where it appears other than as a part of an assumed name, for no more than one year after the death of such person or until the estate is settled, whichever is sooner.

SECTION 250. ORS 676.130 is amended to read:

676.130. Each health professional regulatory board [as defined in ORS 676.160] shall notify the appropriate district attorney of any violation of ORS 676.110 and 676.120 which may be brought to the attention of such board. The district attorney of the county in which any violation of those sections takes place shall prosecute the violation upon being informed of the violation by any person or by one of such boards.

SECTION 251. ORS 676.150 is amended to read:

- 24 676.150. (1) As used in this section:
- 25 (a) "Board" means the:
- 26 (A) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;
- 27 (B) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners;
- 28 (C) State Board of Licensed Social Workers;
- 29 (D) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists;
- 30 (E) Oregon Board of Dentistry;
- 31 (F) Board of Licensed Dietitians;
- 32 (G) State Board of Massage Therapists;
- 33 (H) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;
- 34 (I) Oregon State Board of Nursing;
- 35 (J) Nursing Home Administrators Board;
- 36 (K) Oregon Board of Optometry;
- 37 (L) State Board of Pharmacy;
- 38 (M) Oregon Medical Board;
- 39 (N) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board;
- 40 (O) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;
- 41 (P) State Board of Psychologist Examiners;
- 42 (Q) Board of Medical Imaging;
- 43 (R) State Board of Direct Entry Midwifery;
- 44 (S) State Board of Denture Technology;
- 45 (T) Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board;

- 1 (U) Oregon Health Authority, to the extent that the authority licenses emergency medical ser-2 vices providers;
 - (V) Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board; or
- 4 (W) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board.

- (b) "Licensee" means a health professional licensed or certified by or registered with a board.
 - (c) "Prohibited conduct" means conduct by a licensee that:
 - (A) Constitutes a criminal act against a patient or client; or
 - (B) Constitutes a criminal act that creates a risk of harm to a patient or client.
 - (d) "Unprofessional conduct" means conduct unbecoming a licensee or detrimental to the best interests of the public, including conduct contrary to recognized standards of ethics of the licensee's profession or conduct that endangers the health, safety or welfare of a patient or client.
 - (2) Unless state or federal laws relating to confidentiality or the protection of health information prohibit disclosure, a licensee who has reasonable cause to believe that another licensee has engaged in prohibited or unprofessional conduct shall report the conduct to the board responsible for the licensee who is believed to have engaged in the conduct. The reporting licensee shall report the conduct without undue delay, but in no event later than 10 working days after the reporting licensee learns of the conduct.
 - (3) A licensee who is convicted of a misdemeanor or felony or who is arrested for a felony crime shall report the conviction or arrest to the licensee's board within 10 days after the conviction or arrest.
 - (4) The board responsible for a licensee who is reported to have engaged in prohibited or unprofessional conduct shall investigate in accordance with the board's rules or, if the board is under the oversight of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, shall report the prohibited or unprofessional conduct to the Oregon Health Licensing Agency. If the board or Oregon Health Licensing Agency has reasonable cause to believe that the licensee has engaged in prohibited conduct, the board or Oregon Health Licensing Agency shall present the facts to an appropriate law enforcement agency without undue delay, but in no event later than 10 working days after the board or Oregon Health Licensing Agency finds reasonable cause to believe that the licensee engaged in prohibited conduct.
 - (5) A licensee who fails to report prohibited or unprofessional conduct as required by subsection (2) of this section or the licensee's conviction or arrest as required by subsection (3) of this section is subject to discipline by the board **or Oregon Health Licensing Agency** responsible for the licensee.
 - (6) A licensee who fails to report prohibited conduct as required by subsection (2) of this section commits a Class A violation.
 - (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a report under subsection (2) or (3) of this section is confidential under ORS 676.175 or, if the board is under the oversight of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, section 8 of this 2013 Act. A board may disclose a report as provided in ORS 676.177 or, if the board is under the oversight of the Oregon Health Licensing Agency, section 9 of this 2013 Act.
 - (8) Except as part of an application for a license or for renewal of a license and except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, a board may not require a licensee to report the licensee's criminal conduct.
 - (9) The obligations imposed by this section are in addition to and not in lieu of other obligations to report unprofessional conduct as provided by statute.

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- 1 (10) A licensee who reports to a board in good faith as required by subsection (2) of this section 2 is immune from civil liability for making the report.
- 3 (11) A board [and], the members, employees and contractors of the board, the Oregon Health
 4 Licensing Agency and the employees and contractors of the agency are immune from civil li5 ability for actions taken in good faith as a result of a report received under subsection (2) or (3) of
 6 this section.
- 7 **SECTION 252.** ORS 676.160 is amended to read:
- 8 676.160. As used in ORS 676.165 to 676.180, "health professional regulatory board" means the:
- 9 [(1) State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology;]
- 10 [(2) State Board of Chiropractic Examiners;]
- 11 [(3) State Board of Licensed Social Workers;]
- 12 [(4) Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists;]
- 13 [(5)] (1) Oregon Board of Dentistry;
- 14 [(6) Board of Licensed Dietitians;]
- 15 [(7)] (2) State Board of Massage Therapists;
- 16 [(8) State Mortuary and Cemetery Board;]
- 17 [(9) Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine;]
- 18 [(10)] (3) Oregon State Board of Nursing;
- 19 [(11) Nursing Home Administrators Board;]
- 20 [(12)] (4) Oregon Board of Optometry;
- 21 [(13)] (5) State Board of Pharmacy;
- 22 [(14)] (6) Oregon Medical Board;
- 23 [(15) Occupational Therapy Licensing Board;]
- 24 [(16)] (7) Physical Therapist Licensing Board;
- 25 [(17) State Board of Psychologist Examiners;]
- 26 [(18) Board of Medical Imaging;]

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- 27 [(19)] (8) Oregon State Veterinary Medical Examining Board; and
- [(20)] (9) Oregon Health Authority, to the extent that the authority licenses emergency medical services providers.
 - **SECTION 252a.** ORS 676.306 is amended to read:
 - 676.306. (1) As used in this section, "health professional regulatory board" means a health professional regulatory board [described in ORS 676.160] as defined in section 247 of this 2013 Act other than the Oregon Health Authority with regard to the licensure of emergency medical services providers.
 - (2) Subject to applicable provisions of the State Personnel Relations Law and the approval of the Governor, notwithstanding ORS 182.468, each health professional regulatory board shall appoint an executive director and prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of the executive director. The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor under the direct supervision of the appointing board. The board may request that the Governor remove the executive director.
 - (3) In addition to any other duties imposed by law or otherwise required of state agencies, the executive director shall keep all records of the board and discharge all duties prescribed by the board.
 - (4) The executive director shall prepare periodic reports regarding the licensing, monitoring and investigative activities of the board. The executive director shall submit the reports to the board and the Governor. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the

board, shall adopt rules specifying requirements for the report content and processes for preparing 1 and submitting the reports. The rules may be consistent with performance management measures 2 and processes initiated by the department. The rules shall require each board to undergo a peer review of board activities by a team of executive directors of other health professional regulatory 4 boards and at least one public member. The department may assess the board for the cost of the peer review. 6

SECTION 253. ORS 676.350 is amended to read:

676.350. (1) As used in this section:

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- (a) "Expedited partner therapy" means the practice of prescribing or dispensing antibiotic drugs for the treatment of a sexually transmitted disease to the partner of a patient without first examining the partner of the patient.
- (b) "Partner of a patient" means a person whom a patient diagnosed with a sexually transmitted disease identifies as a sexual partner of the patient.
 - (c) "Practitioner" has the meaning given that term in ORS 475.005.
- (2) A health professional regulatory board, as defined in [ORS 676.160] section 247 of this 2013 Act, may adopt rules permitting practitioners to practice expedited partner therapy. If a board adopts rules permitting practitioners to practice expedited partner therapy, the board shall consult with the Oregon Health Authority to determine which sexually transmitted diseases are appropriately addressed with expedited partner therapy.
- (3) A prescription issued in the practice of expedited partner therapy authorized by the rules of a board is valid even if the name of the patient for whom the prescription is intended is not on the prescription.
- (4) The authority shall make available informational material about expedited partner therapy that a practitioner may distribute to patients.

SECTION 254. ORS 676.400 is amended to read:

- 676.400. (1) It is the intention of the Legislative Assembly to achieve the goal of universal access to adequate levels of high quality health care at an affordable cost for all Oregonians, regardless of ethnic or cultural background.
 - (2) The Legislative Assembly finds that:
- (a) Access to health care is of value when it leads to treatment that substantially improves health outcomes;
- (b) Health care is most effective when it accounts for the contribution of culture to health status and health outcomes;
- (c) Ethnic and racial minorities experience more than their statistically fair share of undesirable health outcomes;
- (d) The lack of licensed health care professionals from ethnic and racial minorities or who are bilingual contributes to the inadequacy of health outcomes in communities of color in this state; and
- (e) The development of a partnership between health professional regulatory boards and communities of color to increase the representation of people of color and bilingual people in health care professions has significant potential to improve the health outcomes of people of color and bilingual citizens of this state.
- (3) Health professional regulatory boards shall establish programs to increase the representation of people of color and bilingual people on the boards and in the professions that they regulate. Such programs must include activities to promote the education, recruitment and professional practice of members of these targeted populations in Oregon.

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- (4) Each health professional regulatory board shall maintain records of the racial and ethnic makeup of applicants and professionals regulated by the board. Such information shall be requested from applicants and the professionals regulated who shall be informed in writing that the provision of such information is voluntary and not required.
- (5) Each health professional regulatory board shall report biennially to the Legislative Assembly in the manner required by ORS 192.245. The report shall contain:
- (a) Data detailing the efforts of the board to comply with the requirements of subsection (3) of this section; and
- (b) Data collected under subsection (4) of this section documenting the ethnic and racial makeup of the applicants and of the professionals regulated by the board.
- (6) For purposes of this section, "health professional regulatory board" has the meaning given that term in [ORS 676.160] section 247 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 255. ORS 676.410 is amended to read:

- 676.410. (1) As used in this section, "healthcare workforce regulatory board" means the:
- (a) Oregon Health Licensing Agency, to the extent that the agency has oversight over the Occupational Therapy Licensing Board and Board of Licensed Dietitians;
 - (b) Oregon Medical Board;
 - (c) Oregon State Board of Nursing;
- 19 (d) Oregon Board of Dentistry;

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- 20 (e) Physical Therapist Licensing Board; and
- 21 (f) State Board of Pharmacy[; and].
 - [(g) Board of Licensed Dietitians.]
 - (2)(a) An applicant for a license from a healthcare workforce regulatory board or renewal of a license by a healthcare workforce regulatory board shall provide the information prescribed by the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research pursuant to subsection (3) of this section.
 - (b) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, a healthcare workforce regulatory board may not approve a subsequent application for a license or renewal of a license until the applicant provides the information.
 - (3) The Administrator for the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research shall collaborate with the healthcare workforce regulatory boards to adopt rules for the manner, form and content for reporting, and the information that must be provided to a healthcare workforce regulatory board under subsection (2) of this section, which may include:
 - (a) Demographics, including race and ethnicity.
 - (b) Education information.
 - (c) License information.
 - (d) Employment information.
 - (e) Primary and secondary practice information.
- 38 (f) Anticipated changes in the practice.
 - (g) Languages spoken.
 - (4)(a) A healthcare workforce regulatory board shall report healthcare workforce information collected under subsection (2) of this section to the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research.
 - (b) A healthcare workforce regulatory board shall keep confidential and not release personally identifiable data collected under this section for a person licensed, registered or certified by a board. This paragraph does not apply to the release of information to a law enforcement agency for investigative purposes or to the release to the Office for Oregon Health Policy and Research for state

1 health planning purposes.

- (5) The requirements of subsection (2) of this section apply to an applicant for issuance or renewal of a license who is or who is applying to become:
- 4 (a) An occupational therapist or certified occupational therapy assistant as defined in ORS 5 675.210;
 - (b) A physician as defined in ORS 677.010;
 - (c) A physician assistant as defined in ORS 677.495;
- (d) A nurse or nursing assistant licensed or certified under ORS 678.010 to 678.410;
- (e) A dentist or dental hygienist as defined in ORS 679.010;
- 10 (f) A physical therapist or physical therapist assistant as defined in ORS 688.010;
 - (g) A pharmacist or pharmacy technician as defined in ORS 689.005; or
 - (h) A licensed dietitian, as defined in ORS 691.405.
 - (6) A healthcare workforce regulatory board may adopt rules as necessary to perform the board's duties under this section.
 - (7) In addition to licensing fees that may be imposed by a healthcare workforce regulatory board, the Oregon Health Policy Board shall establish fees to be paid by applicants for issuance or renewal of licenses reasonably calculated to reimburse the actual cost of obtaining or reporting information as required by subsection (2) of this section.

SECTION 256. ORS 677.060 is amended to read:

677.060. This chapter does not affect or prevent the following:

- (1) The practice of medicine or podiatry in this state by any commissioned medical or podiatric officer serving in the Armed Forces of the United States or Public Health Service, or any medical or podiatric officer on duty with the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, while any such medical or podiatric officer is engaged in the performance of the actual duties prescribed by the laws and regulations of the United States.
- (2) The meeting in this state of any licensed practitioner of medicine of any other state or country with a licensed practitioner of medicine in this state, for consultation.
- (3) Supervised clinical training by an acupuncture student who is enrolled in a school approved to offer credit for post-secondary clinical education in Oregon or clinical practice of acupuncture by a practitioner licensed to practice acupuncture in another state or foreign country who is enrolled in clinical training approved by the Oregon Medical Board.
- (4) The furnishing of medical or surgical assistance in cases of emergency requiring immediate attention.
 - (5) The domestic administration of family remedies.
- (6) The practice of dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, optometry, psychology, regulated social work, chiropractic, naturopathic medicine or cosmetic therapy, by any person authorized by this state.
- (7) The practice of the religion of persons who endeavor to prevent or cure disease or suffering by prayer or other spiritual means in accordance with the tenets of any church. Nothing in this chapter interferes in any manner with the individual's right to select the practitioner or mode of treatment of an individual's choice, or interferes with the right of the person so employed to give the treatment so chosen if public health laws and rules are complied with.
- (8) The sale of lenses, artificial eyes, limbs or surgical instruments or other apparatus or appliances of a similar character.
- (9) The sale, rent or use for hire of any device or appliance, the sale of which is not prohibited by the laws of Oregon or the United States.

- (10) The practice of physiotherapy, electrotherapy or hydrotherapy carried on by a duly licensed practitioner of medicine, naturopathic medicine or chiropractic, or by ancillary personnel certified [by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, pursuant to] under ORS 684.155 [(1)(c)(A)] (1)(a)(C), to provide physiotherapy, electrotherapy or hydrotherapy and working under the direction of a chiropractic physician.
- (11) The practice or use of massage, Swedish movement, physical culture, or other natural methods requiring use of the hands.
- (12) The use of the title "doctor," "chiropractic physician," "naturopathic physician," "doctor of optometry," "optometric physician" or "podiatric physician" in accordance with ORS 676.110 and 676.120.

SECTION 256a. ORS 681.230 is amended to read:

- 681.230. (1) Without obtaining a license under this chapter, a person may use any procedure included in the practice of speech-language pathology or audiology if the procedure is within the scope of practice of the person and the person is:
- (a) Licensed by a health professional regulatory board as defined in [ORS 676.160] section 247 of this 2013 Act;
- (b) Performing basic audiometric testing under the supervision of a physician licensed under ORS chapter 677 and representing that the person is a medical assistant or audiology assistant;
- (c) A teacher licensed by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission and holding a hearing impaired endorsement; or
- (d) A student participating in supervised field work or supervised course work in speech-language pathology or audiology as part of a college or university program approved by the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology or an undergraduate course in speech-language pathology approved by the board.
- (2) A person practicing speech-language pathology or audiology without a license under subsection (1) of this section may not represent or imply that the person is a speech-language pathologist, speech-language pathology assistant or audiologist.
- (3) A person practicing speech-language pathology or audiology without a license under subsection (1)(d) of this section:
 - (a) Must use a title that indicates that the person is a student trainee.
- (b) May not be paid for speech-language pathology or audiology services provided by the person, except that the person may be provided a reasonable educational stipend.
- (4) Without obtaining a license under this chapter, a teacher licensed by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission and holding a communications disorders or speech impaired endorsement issued by the commission may practice speech-language pathology if the person:
- (a) Practices speech-language pathology solely in the course and scope of the person's duties as an employee of an education service district, a school district or a charter school; and
- (b) Complies with ORS 681.360 to 681.375 and rules adopted under ORS 681.360 to 681.375 when supervising speech-language pathology assistants.
 - (5) Without obtaining a license under this chapter, a person may:
- (a) Consult with or disseminate the person's research findings and scientific information to accredited academic institutions or governmental agencies; and
 - (b) Offer lectures to the public for a fee, monetary or otherwise.
- **SECTION 256b.** ORS 681.330 is amended to read:
- 45 681.330. The rules and regulations of ethical standards of practice adopted pursuant to ORS

1 681.420 [(5)] (1)(c) shall govern the conduct of all persons who hold a license or conditional license 2 to practice speech-language pathology or audiology or a certificate to perform the duties of a 3 speech-language pathology assistant.

SECTION 257. ORS 685.030 is amended to read:

- 685.030. (1) This chapter does not apply to any:
- (a) Physician licensed by the Oregon Medical Board to practice medicine, osteopathy or podiatry;
 - (b) Chiropractor licensed [by the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners] to practice chiropractic under ORS chapter 684; or
 - (c) Christian Scientist or other person who by religious or spiritual means endeavors to prevent or cure disease or suffering in accord with the tenets of any church.
 - (2) This chapter does not authorize licensees to:
 - (a) Practice optometry or administer chiropractic adjustments;
 - (b) Practice any system or method of treatment not authorized in this chapter; or
- 15 (c) Do major surgery.

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- (3) A licensee under this chapter may perform health maintenance and restoration measures consistent with generally recognized and accepted principles of naturopathic medicine, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Administering, dispensing or writing prescriptions for drugs;
- (b) Recommending the use of specific and appropriate over-the-counter pharmaceuticals;
- 21 (c) Administering anesthetics or antiseptics in connection with minor surgery as defined in ORS 22 685.010;
 - (d) Ordering diagnostic tests;
 - (e) Using radiopaque substances administered by mouth or rectum necessary for Roentgen diagnostic purposes; or
 - (f) Administering substances by penetration of the skin or mucous membrane of the human body for diagnostic, preventive or therapeutic purposes. The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine may adopt by rule appropriate procedures for administering substances under this paragraph.

SECTION 258. ORS 688.125 is amended to read:

688.125. In order to ensure that physical therapy treatment of a patient is based solely on the needs of a patient, any health care practitioner licensed by a health professional regulatory board as defined in [ORS 676.160] section 247 of this 2013 Act who owns, in part or in whole, a physical therapy practice, or who employs a physical therapist, shall communicate the facts of that ownership or employment relationship to patients for whom physical therapy is prescribed and inform the patient that alternative sources of physical therapy treatment are available.

SECTION 259. ORS 690.025 is amended to read:

- 690.025. ORS 690.005 to 690.235 do not apply to:
- (1) Persons who perform service without compensation in case of emergency or in domestic administration.
- (2) Persons licensed by a health professional regulatory board listed in [ORS 676.160] section 247 of this 2013 Act who are acting within the scope of their professional license.
- (3) Persons identified by the Oregon Health Licensing Agency or Board of Cosmetology by rule who are acting under the authority of a hospital or long term care facility licensed under ORS 441.025 or a residential facility licensed under ORS 443.415.
 - (4) Persons engaged in rendering emergency medical assistance as defined in ORS 30.800.

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- (5) Persons licensed by the State Board of Pharmacy, merchants or other individuals when demonstrating apparatus or supplies for purposes of sale.
- (6) Commissioned medical and surgical officers and personnel of the United States Armed Services while operating on a military base and personnel of correctional institutions while operating on the premises of a correctional facility.
- (7) Persons applying temporary makeup, combing hair or applying hair spray, without compensation specifically for the application or combing, for the sole purpose of preparing any individual for a professional photograph or theatrical performance.
- (8) A student while engaged in training at the direction of and under the direct supervision of the faculty of a school licensed under ORS 345.010 to 345.450 to teach a field of practice.
- (9) The agency may exempt practitioners providing services at charitable or fund raising events. In establishing an exemption, the agency shall consider and evaluate each written request on an individual basis.

SECTION 260. ORS 743.918 is amended to read:

743.918. (1) As used in this section:

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- (a) "Complete application" means a provider's application to a health insurer to become a credentialed provider that includes:
 - (A) Information required by the health insurer;
- (B) Proof that the provider is licensed by a health professional regulatory board as defined in ORS 676.160 or, where appropriate, the Oregon Health Licensing Agency;
- (C) Proof of current registration with the Drug Enforcement Administration of the United States Department of Justice, if applicable to the provider's practice; and
- (D) Proof that the provider is covered by a professional liability insurance policy or certification meeting the health insurer's requirements.
- (b) "Credentialing period" means the period beginning on the date a health insurer receives a complete application and ending on the date the health insurer approves or rejects the complete application or 90 days after the health insurer receives the complete application, whichever is earlier.
- (c) "Health insurer" means an insurer that offers managed health insurance or preferred provider organization insurance, other than a health maintenance organization as defined in ORS 750.005.
- (2) A health insurer shall approve or reject a complete application within 90 days of receiving the application.
- (3)(a) A health insurer shall pay all claims for medical services covered by the health insurer that are provided by a provider during the credentialing period.
- (b) A provider may submit claims for medical services provided during the credentialing period during or after the credentialing period.
- (c) A health insurer may pay claims for medical services provided during the credentialing period:
 - (A) During or after the credentialing period.
 - (B) At the rate paid to nonparticipating providers.
 - (d) If a provider submits a claim for medical services provided during the credentialing period within six months after the end of the credentialing period, the health insurer may not deny payment of the claim on the basis of the health insurer's rules relating to timely claims submission.
 - (4) Subsection (3) of this section does not require a health insurer to pay claims for medical

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1 services provided during the credentialing period if:

- (a) The provider was previously rejected or terminated as a participating provider in any health benefit plan underwritten or administered by the health insurer;
- (b) The rejection or termination was due to the objectively verifiable failure of the provider to provide medical services within the recognized standards of the provider's profession; and
- (c) The provider was given the opportunity to contest the rejection or termination before a panel of peers in a proceeding conducted in conformity with the Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986, 42 U.S.C. 11101 et seq.

SECTION 261. ORS 743A.168 is amended to read:

743A.168. A group health insurance policy providing coverage for hospital or medical expenses shall provide coverage for expenses arising from treatment for chemical dependency, including alcoholism, and for mental or nervous conditions at the same level as, and subject to limitations no more restrictive than, those imposed on coverage or reimbursement of expenses arising from treatment for other medical conditions. The following apply to coverage for chemical dependency and for mental or nervous conditions:

- (1) As used in this section:
- (a) "Chemical dependency" means the addictive relationship with any drug or alcohol characterized by a physical or psychological relationship, or both, that interferes on a recurring basis with the individual's social, psychological or physical adjustment to common problems. For purposes of this section, "chemical dependency" does not include addiction to, or dependency on, tobacco, tobacco products or foods.
- (b) "Facility" means a corporate or governmental entity or other provider of services for the treatment of chemical dependency or for the treatment of mental or nervous conditions.
- (c) "Group health insurer" means an insurer, a health maintenance organization or a health care service contractor.
- (d) "Program" means a particular type or level of service that is organizationally distinct within a facility.
- (e) "Provider" means a person that has met the credentialing requirement of a group health insurer, is otherwise eligible to receive reimbursement for coverage under the policy and is:
 - (A) A health care facility;
 - (B) A residential program or facility;
 - (C) A day or partial hospitalization program;
 - (D) An outpatient service; or
- (E) An individual behavioral health or medical professional authorized for reimbursement under Oregon law.
- (2) The coverage may be made subject to provisions of the policy that apply to other benefits under the policy, including but not limited to provisions relating to deductibles and coinsurance. Deductibles and coinsurance for treatment in health care facilities or residential programs or facilities may not be greater than those under the policy for expenses of hospitalization in the treatment of other medical conditions. Deductibles and coinsurance for outpatient treatment may not be greater than those under the policy for expenses of outpatient treatment of other medical conditions.
- (3) The coverage may not be made subject to treatment limitations, limits on total payments for treatment, limits on duration of treatment or financial requirements unless similar limitations or requirements are imposed on coverage of other medical conditions. The coverage of eligible expenses may be limited to treatment that is medically necessary as determined under the policy for other

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1 medical conditions.

- (4)(a) Nothing in this section requires coverage for:
- 3 (A) Educational or correctional services or sheltered living provided by a school or halfway 4 house;
 - (B) A long-term residential mental health program that lasts longer than 45 days;
 - (C) Psychoanalysis or psychotherapy received as part of an educational or training program, regardless of diagnosis or symptoms that may be present;
 - (D) A court-ordered sex offender treatment program; or
 - (E) A screening interview or treatment program under ORS 813.021.
 - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection, an insured may receive covered outpatient services under the terms of the insured's policy while the insured is living temporarily in a sheltered living situation.
 - (5) A provider is eligible for reimbursement under this section if:
 - (a) The provider is approved by the Department of Human Services;
 - (b) The provider is accredited for the particular level of care for which reimbursement is being requested by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals or the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities;
 - (c) The patient is staying overnight at the facility and is involved in a structured program at least eight hours per day, five days per week; or
 - (d) The provider is providing a covered benefit under the policy.
 - (6) Payments may not be made under this section for support groups.
 - (7) If specified in the policy, outpatient coverage may include follow-up in-home service or outpatient services. The policy may limit coverage for in-home service to persons who are homebound under the care of a physician.
 - (8) Nothing in this section prohibits a group health insurer from managing the provision of benefits through common methods, including but not limited to selectively contracted panels, health plan benefit differential designs, preadmission screening, prior authorization of services, utilization review or other mechanisms designed to limit eligible expenses to those described in subsection (3) of this section.
 - (9) The Legislative Assembly has found that health care cost containment is necessary and intends to encourage insurance policies designed to achieve cost containment by ensuring that reimbursement is limited to appropriate utilization under criteria incorporated into such policies, either directly or by reference.
 - (10)(a) Subject to the patient or client confidentiality provisions of ORS 40.235 relating to physicians, ORS 40.240 relating to nurse practitioners, ORS 40.230 relating to psychologists, ORS 40.250 and 675.580 relating to licensed clinical social workers and ORS 40.262 relating to licensed professional counselors and licensed marriage and family therapists, a group health insurer may provide for review for level of treatment of admissions and continued stays for treatment in health care facilities, residential programs or facilities, day or partial hospitalization programs and outpatient services by either group health insurer staff or personnel under contract to the group health insurer, or by a utilization review contractor, who shall have the authority to certify for or deny level of payment.
 - (b) Review shall be made according to criteria made available to providers in advance upon request.
 - (c) Review shall be performed by or under the direction of a medical or osteopathic physician

- licensed by the Oregon Medical Board, a psychologist licensed [by the State Board of Psychologist Examiners] under ORS 675.010 to 675.150, a clinical social worker licensed [by the State Board of Licensed Social Workers] under ORS 675.510 to 675.600 or a professional counselor or marriage and family therapist licensed [by the Oregon Board of Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists] under ORS 675.715 to 675.835, in accordance with standards of the National Committee for Quality Assurance or Medicare review standards of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
- (d) Review may involve prior approval, concurrent review of the continuation of treatment, post-treatment review or any combination of these. However, if prior approval is required, provision shall be made to allow for payment of urgent or emergency admissions, subject to subsequent review. If prior approval is not required, group health insurers shall permit providers, policyholders or persons acting on their behalf to make advance inquiries regarding the appropriateness of a particular admission to a treatment program. Group health insurers shall provide a timely response to such inquiries. Noncontracting providers must cooperate with these procedures to the same extent as contracting providers to be eligible for reimbursement.
- (11) Health maintenance organizations may limit the receipt of covered services by enrollees to services provided by or upon referral by providers contracting with the health maintenance organization. Health maintenance organizations and health care service contractors may create substantive plan benefit and reimbursement differentials at the same level as, and subject to limitations no more restrictive than, those imposed on coverage or reimbursement of expenses arising out of other medical conditions and apply them to contracting and noncontracting providers.
- (12) Nothing in this section prevents a group health insurer from contracting with providers of health care services to furnish services to policyholders or certificate holders according to ORS 743.531 or 750.005, subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) A group health insurer is not required to contract with all eligible providers.
- (b) An insurer or health care service contractor shall, subject to subsections (2) and (3) of this section, pay benefits toward the covered charges of noncontracting providers of services for the treatment of chemical dependency or mental or nervous conditions. The insured shall, subject to subsections (2) and (3) of this section, have the right to use the services of a noncontracting provider of services for the treatment of chemical dependency or mental or nervous conditions, whether or not the services for chemical dependency or mental or nervous conditions are provided by contracting or noncontracting providers.
- (13) The intent of the Legislative Assembly in adopting this section is to reserve benefits for different types of care to encourage cost effective care and to ensure continuing access to levels of care most appropriate for the insured's condition and progress.
- (14) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, after notice and hearing, may adopt reasonable rules not inconsistent with this section that are considered necessary for the proper administration of these provisions.

REPEALS

SECTION 262. ORS 675.597, 681.450, 681.460, 685.195 and 688.557 are repealed.

OPERATIVE DATE

SECTION 263. (1) Sections 6a, 7 to 9, 17 to 23, 37 to 43, 54 to 60, 77 to 83, 96 to 102, 118

to 124, 142 to 148, 168 to 174, 191 to 197 and 247 of this 2013 Act, the amendments to statutes and session law by sections 1 to 6, 6b, 10 to 16, 24 to 36, 44 to 53, 61 to 76, 84 to 95, 103 to 117, 125 to 141, 149 to 167, 175 to 190, 198 to 246 and 248 to 261 of this 2013 Act and the repeal of statutes by section 262 of this 2013 Act become operative on January 1, 2014.

(2) The Oregon Health Licensing Agency may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the agency to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, functions and powers conferred on the agency by sections 6a, 7 to 9, 17 to 23, 37 to 43, 54 to 60, 77 to 83, 96 to 102, 118 to 124, 142 to 148, 168 to 174, 191 to 197 and 247 of this 2013 Act, the amendments to statutes and session law by sections 1 to 6, 6b, 10 to 16, 24 to 36, 44 to 53, 61 to 76, 84 to 95, 103 to 117, 125 to 141, 149 to 167, 175 to 190, 198 to 246 and 248 to 261 of this 2013 Act and the repeal of statutes by section 262 of this 2013 Act.

UNIT CAPTIONS

SECTION 264. The unit captions used in this 2013 Act are provided only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the enactment of this 2013 Act.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

SECTION 265. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.