

Senate Bill 281

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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**.

Changes term of office provisions for member of Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to naturopathy; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 685.160.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 685.160 is amended to read:

5 685.160. (1) [*There hereby is created*] The Oregon Board of Naturopathic Medicine[. *The board*
6 *consists*] **is created, consisting** of seven members appointed by the Governor and subject to con-
7 firmation by the Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565. All members of the
8 board must be residents of this state. Of the members of the board:

9 (a) Five must be naturopathic physicians who have each practiced continuously in this state for
10 the five years immediately prior to the date of appointment.

11 (b) Two must be members of the general public who are not naturopathic physicians or a spouse,
12 domestic partner, child, parent or sibling of a naturopathic physician.

13 (2)(a) [*Board members required to*] **The Governor may select the members of the board who**
14 **must** be naturopathic physicians [*may be selected by the Governor*] from a list of three to five nom-
15 inees for each vacancy, submitted by a professional organization representing naturopathic physi-
16 cians.

17 (b) In selecting the members of the board, the Governor shall strive to balance [*the represen-*
18 *tation on the*] board **representation** according to:

19 (A) Geographic areas of this state; and

20 (B) Ethnic group.

21 (3)(a) The term of office of each member is three years, but a member serves at the pleasure of
22 the Governor. The terms must be staggered so that no more than three terms end each year. A
23 member is eligible for reappointment[. *A term of office commences July 1. Unless a member is re-*
24 *moved prior to the end of the term, a member continues to serve on the board until a successor is ap-*
25 *pointed and qualified.*], **but a member may not serve for more than two consecutive full terms.**
26 **Before the expiration of the term of a member, the Governor shall appoint a successor whose**
27 **term begins immediately upon the expiration of the term of the current member.** A majority
28 of the members of the board constitutes a quorum. If there is a vacancy for any cause, the Governor
29 shall appoint a member to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.

30 (b) A [*board*] member **of the board** shall be removed immediately from the board if, during the
31 member's term, the member:

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.

1 (A) Is not a resident of this state;

2 (B) Has been absent from three consecutive board meetings, unless at least one absence is ex-
3 cused; or

4 (C) **Was appointed under subsection (1)(a) of this section and** is not a licensed naturopathic
5 physician or a retired naturopathic physician who was a licensed naturopathic physician in good
6 standing at the time of retirement[, *if the board member was appointed to serve on the board as a*
7 *naturopathic physician*].

8 (4) The board shall carry into effect the provisions of this chapter and is authorized to issue
9 licenses to practice naturopathic medicine in this state[. *The possession of*] **and to adopt** a common
10 seal [*by the board hereby is authorized*].

11 **SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 685.160 by section 1 of this 2015 Act apply to ap-**
12 **pointments made on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act.**

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