

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Interim Committee on Rules
and Executive Appointments

DATE: October 31, 2025

BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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STATE BOARD OF LICENSED SOCIAL WORKERS

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the State Board of Licensed Social Workers subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointment

Troy Costales of Keizer

Term

November 20, 2025 – June 30, 2029

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 675.590 \(2023\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The board consists of seven Oregon residents:

- three licensed clinical social workers (ASHTON-WILLIAMS, FARR, JANSSEN);
- one licensed baccalaureate social worker, a licensed master's social worker, or a certified clinical social work associate (BORMANN); and
- three public members with interest in clinical social work, who are not regulated social workers or a spouse, domestic partner, child, parent, or sibling of a regulated social worker (**COSTALES**, PANTLEY, VACANT).

Regulated social workers are appointed from lists of nominees submitted by relevant professional organizations. Members serve four-year terms and are eligible for reappointment. A member is removed if they fail to maintain appointment criteria or have three consecutive unexcused absences.

Duties⁴

The board regulates the practice of clinical social work. The board must:

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2023\)](#) and [ORS 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

³ [ORS 675.590 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 675.510 to 675.600 \(2023\)](#).

- administer licensing for regulated social workers;
- adopt rules for the administration of specified laws;
- establish and collect specified fees;
- formulate and enforce a code of professional conduct;
- annually publish a list of authorized regulated social workers;
- establish a voluntary arbitration procedure to resolve disputes between clients and workers; and
- report to the Legislative Assembly on its activities regarding authorizations to practice regulated social work during the preceding biennium.



Licensed Social Workers, State Board of

Agency: **Health Authority, Oregon**

Authorization: **ORS 675.590**

Min Members: **7** Max Members: **7**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Human Services**

Board Admin: **Ray Miller**

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Current Appointments

Farr, Paddy

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: **1**

Term(s): **2/16/2024 - 6/30/2027**

Janssen, Melissa "Mollie" C

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027**
9/23/2019 - 6/30/2023

Ashton-Williams, Amy

Licensed Clinical Social Worker

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: **3**

Term(s): **7/1/2022 - 6/30/2026**

Bormann, Olivia

Clinical Social Work Associate

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: **4**

Term(s): **5/1/2025 - 6/30/2027**

Mr Costales, Troy E

Public Member

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: **5**

Term(s): **11/20/2025 - 6/30/2029**

Pantley, Nicole

Public Member

Appointed By: Governor

Position Number: **6**

Term(s): **7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029**
5/1/2025 - 6/30/2025

Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
7	Ms Dennis, Brenda L	Governor	7/1/2019	6/30/2023
7	Ms Dennis, Brenda L	Governor	7/1/2015	6/30/2019
7	Ms Dennis, Brenda L	Governor	6/1/2014	6/30/2015
7	Ms Custer, Kittee	Governor	12/1/2011	6/30/2015
7	Mr Troseth, Mark P	Governor	7/1/2006	6/30/2010