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Bill Analysis

SB 1031 places rulemaking authority for hospitals under the Commissioner of Health instead of the Board of Health. Additionally, the measure removes the requirement for the Commissioner to seek the advice and consent of the Board whenever he or she appoints members to the Oklahoma Hospital Advisory Council. The measure strikes the requirement for the Council to publish an annual report of hospital performance. The Council is also no longer required to include in its quality indicators the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Patient Safety Indicators or the submission of data from hospitals related to acute care intensive care unit patients, ventilator-associated pneumonia and device-related blood stream infections.

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