

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 9, 2023

3 SENATE BILL NO. 73

By: Rader

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6 An Act relating to public health and safety; amending  
7 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-1201, which relates to hotel  
8 licenses; modifying definition; updating statutory  
language; making language gender neutral; and  
declaring an emergency.

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-1201, is  
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 1-1201. ~~(a)~~ A. It shall be unlawful for any person to  
15 operate or maintain a hotel unless he or she shall have first  
16 obtained, and holds, a license issued for such purpose by the State  
17 Commissioner of Health. Unless otherwise provided by rule by the  
18 ~~State Board of Health~~ Commissioner, each such license shall expire  
19 on the 30th day of June next following its issuance, and the  
20 Commissioner shall charge and collect therefor an annual fee to be  
21 fixed by the ~~Board of Health~~ Commissioner. The term "hotel" as used  
22 in this section shall mean and include any hotel, motel, tourist  
23 court, apartment house, rooming house, or other place where sleeping  
24 accommodations are furnished, or offered, for pay for transient

1 guests, if ~~four~~ seven or more rooms are available therein for  
2 transient guests. This section shall apply to the operation of a  
3 hotel by a state board.

4 ~~(b)~~ B. The ~~State Board of Health~~ Commissioner may adopt  
5 reasonable standards, rules and regulations for hotels as to the  
6 following: buildings and appurtenances thereto, including plumbing,  
7 ventilation and lighting; construction, cleanliness and bactericidal  
8 treatment of equipment and utensils; cleanliness and hygiene of  
9 personnel; toilet facilities; disposal of wastes; water supply; and  
10 any other items deemed necessary to safeguard the health, comfort  
11 and safety of guests accommodated therein.

12 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
13 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
14 declared to exist, by reason whereof this resolution shall take  
15 effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
17 February 9, 2023 - DO PASS  
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