

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 73

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6 AS INTRODUCED

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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