

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 2998

By: Hasenbeck and McEntire of  
the House

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4 Hicks of the Senate  
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8 An Act relating to laser hair removal; creating the  
9 Laser Hair Removal Act; providing definitions;  
10 regulating certain instruments; regulating  
11 performance of laser hair removal; mandating  
12 establishment of protocols; regulating professional  
13 conduct of the State Board of Medical Licensure and  
14 Supervision; regulating professional conduct of the  
15 Board of Nursing; providing for codification; and  
16 providing an effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 538.1 of Title 59, unless there  
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Laser Hair  
22 Removal Act".

23 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
24 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 538.2 of Title 59, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1       1. "Health professional" means a physician, physician assistant  
2 as defined in Section 519.2 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes,  
3 advanced practice registered nurse as defined in Section 567.3a of  
4 Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, registered nurse as defined in  
5 Section 567.3a of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or licensed  
6 practical nurse as defined in Section 567.3a of Title 59 of the  
7 Oklahoma Statutes;

8       2. "Laser hair removal" means the use of a class three or class  
9 four laser light-based device approved by the United States Food and  
10 Drug Administration (FDA) to perform a nonablative hair removal  
11 procedure that does not remove the epidermis. Laser hair removal  
12 does not include electrolysis as defined in Section 536.2 of Title  
13 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

14       3. "Laser hair removal facility" means a business location that  
15 provides laser hair removal;

16       4. "Laser practitioner" means a person who practices laser hair  
17 removal pursuant to this act; and

18       5. "Physician" means a person licensed to practice medicine  
19 pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Allopathic Medical and  
20 Surgical Licensure and Supervision Act or the Oklahoma Osteopathic  
21 Medicine Act.

22       SECTION 3.       NEW LAW       A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 538.3 of Title 59, unless there  
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1       A. A laser practitioner shall only perform laser hair removal  
2 using lasers or pulsed light devices approved by the United States  
3 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for noninvasive procedures.

4       B. A person shall not perform or attempt to perform laser hair  
5 removal unless the person holds the appropriate health professional  
6 license or certificate as defined in Section 2 of this act. A laser  
7 practitioner who is not a physician shall complete a laser  
8 practitioner training and education program. A laser training and  
9 education program may be completed internally at the laser hair  
10 removal facility or via a third party, provided such third-party  
11 program is overseen by a physician. A laser practitioner training  
12 and education program shall include forty (40) total hours of  
13 training which may be a combination of didactic training, in-person  
14 hands-on training, and performance of laser hair removal procedures.

15       C. A laser hair removal facility shall be overseen by a  
16 physician. A physician shall:

- 17       1. Establish proper protocols for laser hair removal provided  
18 at a facility, including but not limited to, complication  
19 management. A laser practitioner shall follow all written procedure  
20 protocols established and revised by a physician. Such protocols  
21 shall require utilizing a physician, physician assistant, or  
22 advanced practice registered nurse for complication management;
- 23       2. Determine the number of laser practitioners under such  
24 physician's supervision; and

1           3. Review not less than ten percent (10%) of laser hair removal  
2 patient records.

3           D. A physician shall not be required to be physically present  
4 or to supervise laser hair removal, but may be available for  
5 communication during the procedure, either in person or by two-way,  
6 real time interactive communication.

7           E. A laser practitioner shall be permitted to perform laser  
8 hair removal on a patient without the prior evaluation or referral  
9 of such patient by a physician.

10          F. The conduct of physicians and physician assistants pursuant  
11 to this act shall be regulated by the State Board of Medical  
12 Licensure and Supervision. The conduct of registered nurses,  
13 licensed practical nurses, and advanced practice registered nurses  
14 pursuant to this act shall be regulated by the Board of Nursing.

15          G. Nothing in the Laser Hair Removal Act shall prohibit any  
16 person in the healing arts, in this state under any other act, from  
17 engaging in the practice for which they are duly licensed.

18          SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2024.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House  
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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