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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 2300

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-47-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REVISE THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REVIEW
3 COMMISSION; TO REQUIRE THAT ALL PROPOSED SUBMISSIONS TO THE
4 COMMISSION BE ACTED ON BY THE COMMISSION WITHIN 150 CALENDAR DAYS
5 OF SUBMISSION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 73-47-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 73-47-9. (1) There is hereby created the Occupational
10 Licensing Review Commission which shall be composed of the
11 Governor, * * * Lieutenant Governor and Secretary of State * * *,
12 or his or her respective designee. The Governor shall be the
13 Chairman of the commission, and the Secretary of State shall be
14 the Secretary. The commission shall meet quarterly and at such
15 other times as meetings may be called by * * * majority vote. A
16 majority of the members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting.
17 Any final action taken by the commission shall require the
18 affirmative vote of a majority of the members. The Office of the
19 Governor shall provide such support of the commission necessary to



20 accomplish the purposes of this chapter, including, but not
21 limited to, research and clerical assistance. Any department,
22 division, board, bureau, commission or agency of the state shall
23 provide, at the request of * * * a member of the commission, such
24 assistance and data as will enable the commission to carry out its
25 duties.

26 (2) The commission shall be responsible for the active
27 supervision of state executive branch occupational licensing
28 boards controlled by active market participants to ensure
29 compliance with state policy in the adoption of an occupational
30 regulation promulgated by an occupational licensing board, to
31 include existing occupational regulations promulgated by an
32 occupational licensing board. The active supervision required
33 under this chapter shall not extend to individual disciplinary
34 actions taken or imposed by an occupational licensing board as to
35 any active market participant subject to the jurisdiction of the
36 occupational licensing board.

37 (3) An occupational licensing board must submit any proposed
38 occupational regulation to the commission before the occupational
39 licensing board may file the occupational regulation in the Office
40 of the Secretary of State if the occupational regulation is
41 required to be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State by
42 Chapter 43, Title 25, Mississippi Code of 1972, (Mississippi
43 Administrative Procedures Law), or before the occupational
44 regulation becomes effective if filing is not required.



45 (4) The commission shall issue resolutions necessary to
46 effectuate the provisions of this chapter, including the process,
47 procedures and timelines that will govern any submission filed in
48 accordance with the chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall be
49 interpreted to subject the commission to any of the administrative
50 procedures of Chapter 43, Title 25, Mississippi Code of 1972,
51 (Mississippi Administrative Procedures Law).

52 (5) All proposed submissions to the commission shall be
53 acted on by the commission according to this chapter within one
54 hundred fifty (150) calendar days of submission.

55 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
56 and after July 1, 2024.

