An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 592

By: Holt of the Senate

and

Schwartz of the House

An Act relating to public health and safety; permitting assisted living facilities to participate in informal dispute resolution panels; authorizing the Oklahoma State Department of Health to appoint members to informal dispute resolution panels; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Informal dispute resolution panels

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-895 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Upon written request to the State Department of Health, an assisted living center as defined in the Continuum of Care and Assisted Living Act may choose to participate in an informal dispute resolution panel to be offered by the State Department of Health as an alternative to the informal dispute resolution process outlined in Sections 1-1914.3 through 1-1914.10 and Sections 1-1914.13 through 1-1914.16 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. The State Department of Health shall appoint the informal dispute resolution panel, to be comprised of the following impartial members:

1. A licensed administrator currently working in the assisted living industry;

2. A health professional currently working in an assisted living center;

3. Two representatives from the aging and disabled community who do not represent a state agency; and

4. A representative from the State Department of Health with experience in assisted living center surveys.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2013.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 10th day of April, 2013.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 11th
day of April, 20 13, at 1:35 o'clock P M.
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Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 16th
day of April, 20 13, at 4:25 o'clock P M.

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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