TITLE 575. STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PSYCHOLOGISTS CHAPTER 1. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD AND PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING COMPLAINTS

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANANT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

575:1-1-3. Investigation of requests for inquiry [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

The proposed rule changes, if approved, will (1) authorize the chairperson and/or vice chairperson of the Board to make a recommendation to the Board for a dismissal of a request for inquiry on the basis that the request was not in substantial compliance with the requirements (OAC 575:1-1-3(b)(1)); (2) allow an appointment of an investigator for complainants on unlicensed individuals and provide clarity that investigators selected by the Board operate under the authority of the Board (OAC 575:1-1-3(b)(3)); (3) specify a time period for when questions are to be submitted to the Attorney General's Office regarding recommendations made by the Probable Cause Committee (OAC 575:1-1-3(b)(7)); and (5) include language that is consistent with 59 O.S. § 1370(k), that authorizes the Board to keep its investigative files confidential and also add language that defines what is part of the investigative file (OAC 575:1-1-3(d)).

AUTHORITY:

The State Board of Examiners of Psychologists has the authority to promulgate Rules for this area of control according to 59 O.S. § 1352.1(8).

COMMENT PERIOD:

Written comments will be accepted through February 9, 2024, at the Colcord Center, 421 NW 13th Street, Suite 180, Oklahoma City, OK 73103, Attn: Teanne Rose, or by email to Teanne.Rose@psychology.ok.gov

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 16, 2024, at the Colcord Center, 421 NW 13th Street, Suite 125, Oklahoma City, OK 73103.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

N/A

COPIES OF THE PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed rules may be obtained from the Oklahoma Board of Examiners of Psychologists, 421 NW 13th Street, Suite 180, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73103. Telephone (405)522-1333 or website: www.psychology.ok.gov.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

The rule impact statement may be obtained from the Oklahoma Board of Examiners of Psychologists, 421 NW 13th Street, Suite 180, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 73103. Telephone (405)522-1333.

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