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ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION
2015-202A

Kim Glazier, Executive Director
Oklahoma Board of Nursing
2915 N. Classen Blvd., Ste. 524
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73106

December 9, 2015

Dear Executive Director Glazier:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding agency action to be taken under the auspices of the Oklahoma Board of Nursing with respect to T.E., a licensed practical nurse. The licensee submitted a \$75 fee with a renewal application on July 30, 2015, but afterwards the Board received a notification from the State Treasurer that the licensee's financial institution did not honor the transaction. Given that the payment was due several months ago, that the payment was ultimately not honored by the financial institution, and that Board staff have attempted to contact licensee several times, the proposed action is to now suspend the license.

The Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act, 59 O.S.2011 & Supp.2015, §§ 567.1–567.20, requires the Executive Director of the Board to “suspend the license or certificate of a person who submits a check, money draft, or similar instrument for payment of a fee which is not honored by the financial institution named,” 59 O.S.2011, § 567.7(E). This action seeks to apply this straightforward requirement with respect to the payment of licensee.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Board of Nursing has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State of Oklahoma's policy of suspending the license of a nurse who submits payment not honored by a financial institution.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "E. Scott Pruitt".

E. SCOTT PRUITT
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA