

## **OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING (2026 SB 30)**

The bill has two parts:

1. Every nonexempt agency must report annually to JCARR all occupational licenses (a very broad definition) it controls along with certain information. (See bill for list of exempt agencies.)
2. Any nonexempt agency that materially changes [defined term] an occupational license regulation must first get legislative approval.

### **Comment:**

1. The bill was effective upon publication in the Kansas Register on May 7, 2026, and they did not change the effective date of when the regs can no longer go through without ratification—it still says January 1, **2026**.
2. The ratification process is similar to KSA 77-441, so it will need to go before JCARR before legislative approval.
3. Federally mandated regs may include occupational licensing, there is no specific exception in the bill for federally mandated regs but an exemption is included by implication from KSA 77-441.
4. The following agencies are listed as exempt from this bill: BSRB, Optometry, Nursing, Dental Board, Healing Arts, and Pharmacy.