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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to firearms; directing the Department of Public Safety to provide free firearm locks to Oklahoma residents; directing the Department to collaborate with other agencies to create a public safety campaign; amending 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1290.14, which relates to the Oklahoma Firearms Act of 1971; clarifying course content requirement; amending 68 O.S. 2021, Section 1357, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 344, O.S.L. 2023 (68 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 1357), which relates to general sales tax exemptions; exempting firearm safes and firearm safety devices; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

- A new section of law to be codified SECTION 1. NEW LAW in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1289.31 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- Subject to the availability of funds appropriated for this purpose, the Department of Public Safety shall provide free firearm locks to an Oklahoma resident upon the request of the resident. Department shall prominently display on its website instructions for requesting free firearm locks.

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The Department shall collaborate with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, and other state agencies as the Department deems appropriate, to create a public safety campaign dedicated to safe firearm storage using funds specifically appropriated for that purpose.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2021, Section 1290.14, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1290.14

SAFETY AND TRAINING COURSE

Each applicant for a license to carry a concealed or Α. unconcealed handgun pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act must successfully complete a firearms safety and training course in this state conducted by a registered and approved firearms instructor as provided by the provisions of this section or from an interactive online firearms safety and training course available electronically via the Internet approved and certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training. The applicant must further demonstrate competence and qualification with an authorized pistol of the type or types that the applicant desires to carry as a concealed or unconcealed handoun pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, except certain persons may be exempt from such training requirement as provided by the provisions of Section 1290.15 of this title.

1 The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training 2 (CLEET) shall establish criteria for approving firearms instructors 3 and interactive online firearms safety and training courses available electronically via the Internet for purposes of training 5 and qualifying individuals for a handgun license pursuant to the 6 provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. Prior to submitting an 7 application for CLEET approval as a firearms instructor, applicants shall attend a firearms instructor school, meeting the following 9 minimum requirements:

- 1. Firearms instructor training conducted by one of the following entities:
 - a. Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training,
 - b. National Rifle Association,

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- c. Oklahoma Rifle Association,
- d. federal law enforcement agencies, or
- e. other professionally recognized organizations;
- 2. The course shall be at least sixteen (16) hours in length;
- 3. Upon completion of the course, the applicant shall be qualified to provide instruction on revolvers, semiautomatic pistols, or both; and
 - 4. Receive a course completion certificate.

All firearms instructors shall be required to meet the eligibility requirements for a handgun license as provided in Sections 1290.9, 1290.10, and 1290.11 of this title and the

application shall be processed as provided for applicants in Section 1290.12 of this title, including the state and national criminal history records search and fingerprint search. A firearms instructor shall be required to pay a fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) each time the person makes application for CLEET approval as a firearms instructor pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The fee shall be retained by CLEET and shall be deposited into the Firearms Instructors Revolving Fund. CLEET shall promulgate the rules, forms and procedures necessary to implement the approval of firearms instructors as authorized by the provisions of this subsection. CLEET shall periodically review each approved instructor during a training and qualification course to assure compliance with the rules and course contents. Any violation of the rules may result in the revocation or suspension of CLEET and Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation approval. Unless the approval has been revoked or suspended, a firearms instructor's CLEET approval shall be for a term of five (5) years. Beginning on July 1, 2003, any firearms instructor who has been issued a fouryear CLEET approval shall not be eligible for the five-year approval until the expiration of the approval previously issued. CLEET shall be responsible for notifying all approved firearms instructors of statutory and policy changes related to the Oklahoma Self-Defense A firearms instructor shall not be required to submit his or

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her fingerprints for a fingerprint search when renewing a firearms instructor's CLEET approval.

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C. 1. All firearms instructors approved by CLEET to train and qualify individuals for a handgun license shall be required to apply for registration with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation after receiving CLEET approval. All firearms instructors teaching the approved course for a handgun license must display their registration certificate during each training and qualification course. Each approved firearms instructor shall complete a registration form provided by the Bureau and shall have the option to pay a registration fee of either One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for a five-year registration certificate or Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for a ten-year registration certificate to the Bureau at the time of each application for registration, except as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection. Registration certificates issued by the Bureau shall be valid for a period of five (5) years or ten (10) years from the date of issuance. The Bureau shall issue a five-year or ten-year handgun license to an approved firearms instructor at the time of issuance of a registration certificate and no additional fee shall be required or charged. The Bureau shall maintain a current listing of all registered firearms instructors in this state. Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to eliminate the requirement for registration and training with CLEET as provided in subsection B of this section. Failure to register or be trained

as required shall result in a revocation or suspension of the instructor certificate by the Bureau.

- 2. On or after July 1, 2003, the registered instructors listed in subparagraphs a and b of this paragraph shall not be required to renew the firearms instructor registration certificate with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation at the expiration of the registration term, provided the instructor is not subject to any suspension or revocation of the firearms instructor certificate. The firearms instructor registration with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall automatically renew together with the handgun license authorized in paragraph 1 of this subsection for an additional five-year term and no additional cost or fee may be charged for the following individuals:
 - a. an active duty law enforcement officer of this state or any of its political subdivisions or of the federal government who has a valid CLEET approval as a firearms instructor pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, and
 - b. a retired law enforcement officer authorized to carry a firearm pursuant to Section 1289.8 of this title who has a valid CLEET approval as a firearms instructor pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act.
- D. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall approve registration for a firearms instructor applicant who is in full

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compliance with CLEET rules regarding firearms instructors and the provisions of subsection B of this section, if completion of the federal fingerprint search is the only reason for delay of registration of that firearms instructor applicant. Upon receipt of the federal fingerprint search information, if the Bureau receives information which precludes the person from having a handgun license, the Bureau shall revoke both the registration and the handgun license previously issued to the firearms instructor.

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The required firearms safety and training course and the Ε. actual demonstration of competency and qualification required of the applicant shall be designed and conducted in such a manner that the course can be reasonably completed by the applicant within an eighthour period. CLEET shall establish the course content and promulgate rules, procedures and forms necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection. For the training and qualification course, an applicant may be charged a fee which shall be determined by the instructor or entity that is conducting the course. maximum class size shall be determined by the instructor conducting the course; provided, however, practice shooting sessions shall not have more than ten participating students at one time. CLEET may establish criteria for assistant instructors and any other requirements deemed necessary to conduct a safe and effective training and qualification course. The course content shall include a safety inspection of the firearm to be used by the applicant in

the training course; instruction on pistol handling, safety and safe storage methods for firearms; dynamics of ammunition and firing; methods or positions for firing a pistol; information about the criminal provisions of the Oklahoma law laws relating to firearms; the requirements of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act as it relates to the applicant; self-defense and the use of appropriate force; a practice shooting session; and a familiarization course. firearms instructor shall refuse to train or qualify any person when the pistol to be used or carried by the person is either deemed unsafe or unfit for firing or is a weapon not authorized by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The course shall provide an opportunity for the applicant to qualify himself or herself on either a derringer, a revolver, a semiautomatic pistol or any combination of a derringer, a revolver and a semiautomatic pistol, provided no pistol shall be capable of firing larger than .45 caliber ammunition. Any applicant who successfully trains and qualifies himself or herself with a semiautomatic pistol may be approved by the firearms instructor on the training certificate for a semiautomatic pistol, a revolver and a derringer upon request of the applicant. Any person who qualifies on a derringer or revolver shall not be eligible for a semiautomatic rating until the person has demonstrated competence and qualifications on a semiautomatic pistol. Upon successful completion of the training and qualification course, a certificate of training and a certificate of

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competency and qualification shall be issued to each applicant who successfully completes the course. The certificate of training and certificate of competency and qualification shall comply with the forms established by CLEET and shall be submitted with an application for a handgun license pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 2 of subsection A of Section 1290.12 of this title. The certificate of training and certificate of competency and qualification issued to an applicant shall be valid for a period of three (3) years.

F. There is hereby created a revolving fund for the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET), to be designated the "Firearms Instructors Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all funds received for approval of firearms instructors for purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. All funds received shall be deposited to the fund. All monies accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, for implementation of the training and qualification course contents, approval of firearms instructors and any other CLEET requirement pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act or as may otherwise be deemed appropriate by CLEET.

Expenditures from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with

the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

- G. Firearms instructors shall keep on file for a period of not less than three (3) years a roster of each training class, the safety test score of each individual, the caliber and type of weapon each individual used when qualifying and whether or not each individual successfully completed the training course. Firearms instructors shall be authorized to destroy all training documents and records upon expiration of the three-year time period.
- SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2021, Section 1357, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 344, O.S.L. 2023 (68 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 1357), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1357. Exemptions - General.

There are hereby specifically exempted from the tax levied by the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code:

- 1. Transportation of school pupils to and from elementary schools or high schools in motor or other vehicles;
- 2. Transportation of persons where the fare of each person does not exceed One Dollar (\$1.00), or local transportation of persons within the corporate limits of a municipality except by taxicabs;
- 3. Sales for resale to persons engaged in the business of reselling the articles purchased, whether within or without the state, provided that such sales to residents of this state are made to persons to whom sales tax permits have been issued as provided in

the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code. This exemption shall not apply to the sales of articles made to persons holding permits when such persons purchase items for their use and which they are not regularly engaged in the business of reselling; neither shall this exemption apply to sales of tangible personal property to peddlers, solicitors and other salespersons who do not have an established place of business and a sales tax permit. The exemption provided by this paragraph shall apply to sales of motor fuel or diesel fuel to a Group Five vendor, but the use of such motor fuel or diesel fuel by the Group Five vendor shall not be exempt from the tax levied by the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code. The purchase of motor fuel or diesel fuel is exempt from sales tax when the motor fuel is for shipment outside this state and consumed by a common carrier by rail in the conduct of its business. The sales tax shall apply to the purchase of motor fuel or diesel fuel in Oklahoma by a common carrier by rail when such motor fuel is purchased for fueling, within this state, of any locomotive or other motorized flanged wheel equipment;

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- 4. Sales of advertising space in newspapers and periodicals;
- 5. Sales of programs relating to sporting and entertainment events, and sales of advertising on billboards (including signage, posters, panels, marquees or on other similar surfaces, whether indoors or outdoors) or in programs relating to sporting and entertainment events, and sales of any advertising, to be displayed at or in connection with a sporting event, via the Internet,

electronic display devices or through public address or broadcast systems. The exemption authorized by this paragraph shall be effective for all sales made on or after January 1, 2001;

- 6. Sales of any advertising, other than the advertising described by paragraph 5 of this section, via the Internet, electronic display devices or through the electronic media including radio, public address or broadcast systems, television (whether through closed circuit broadcasting systems or otherwise), and cable and satellite television, and the servicing of any advertising devices;
- 7. Eggs, feed, supplies, machinery, and equipment purchased by persons regularly engaged in the business of raising worms, fish, any insect, or any other form of terrestrial or aquatic animal life and used for the purpose of raising same for marketing. This exemption shall only be granted and extended to the purchaser when the items are to be used and in fact are used in the raising of animal life as set out above. Each purchaser shall certify, in writing, on the invoice or sales ticket retained by the vendor that the purchaser is regularly engaged in the business of raising such animal life and that the items purchased will be used only in such business. The vendor shall certify to the Oklahoma Tax Commission that the price of the items has been reduced to grant the full benefit of the exemption. Violation hereof by the purchaser or vendor shall be a misdemeanor;

8. Sale of natural or artificial gas and electricity, and associated delivery or transmission services, when sold exclusively for residential use. Provided, this exemption shall not apply to any sales tax levied by a city or town, or a county or any other jurisdiction in this state;

- 9. In addition to the exemptions authorized by Section 1357.6 of this title, sales of drugs sold pursuant to a prescription written for the treatment of human beings by a person licensed to prescribe the drugs, and sales of insulin and medical oxygen.

 Provided, this exemption shall not apply to over-the-counter drugs;
- 10. Transfers of title or possession of empty, partially filled, or filled returnable oil and chemical drums to any person who is not regularly engaged in the business of selling, reselling or otherwise transferring empty, partially filled or filled returnable oil drums;
- 11. Sales of one-way utensils, paper napkins, paper cups, disposable hot containers, and other one-way carry out materials to a vendor of meals or beverages;
- 12. Sales of food or food products for home consumption which are purchased in whole or in part with coupons issued pursuant to the federal food stamp program as authorized by Sections 2011 through 2029 of Title 7 of the United States Code, as to that portion purchased with such coupons. The exemption provided for such sales shall be inapplicable to such sales upon the effective

date of any federal law that removes the requirement of the
exemption as a condition for participation by the state in the
federal food stamp program;

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- 13. Sales of food or food products, or any equipment or supplies used in the preparation of the food or food products to or by an organization which:
 - a. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26

 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which provides and delivers prepared meals for home consumption to elderly or homebound persons as part of a program commonly known as "Meals on Wheels" or "Mobile Meals", or
 - b. is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and which receives federal funding pursuant to the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, for the purpose of providing nutrition programs for the care and benefit of elderly persons;
 - 14. a. Sales of tangible personal property or services to or by organizations which are exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), and:

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- (1) are primarily involved in the collection and distribution of food and other household products to other organizations that facilitate the distribution of such products to the needy and such distributee organizations are exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), or
- (2) facilitate the distribution of such products to the needy.
- b. Sales made in the course of business for profit or savings, competing with other persons engaged in the same or similar business shall not be exempt under this paragraph;
- 15. Sales of tangible personal property or services to children's homes which are located on church-owned property and are operated by organizations exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3);
- 16. Sales of computers, data processing equipment, related peripherals, and telephone, telegraph or telecommunications service and equipment for use in a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility. For purposes of this paragraph, "qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility" means a new or

expanding facility primarily engaged in aircraft repair, building or rebuilding whether or not on a factory basis, whose total cost of construction exceeds the sum of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) and which employs at least two hundred fifty (250) new full-time-equivalent employees, as certified by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, upon completion of the facility. In order to qualify for the exemption provided for by this paragraph, the cost of the items purchased by the qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility shall equal or exceed the sum of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00);

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- 17. Sales of tangible personal property consumed or incorporated in the construction or expansion of a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility as defined in paragraph 16 of this section. For purposes of this paragraph, sales made to a contractor or subcontractor that has previously entered into a contractual relationship with a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility for construction or expansion of such a facility shall be considered sales made to a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility;
 - 18. Sales of the following telecommunications services:
 - a. Interstate and International "800 service". "800 service" means a "telecommunications service" that allows a caller to dial a toll-free number without incurring a charge for the call. The service is

typically marketed under the name "800", "855", "866", "877" and "888" toll-free calling, and any subsequent numbers designated by the Federal Communications Commission,

- b. Interstate and International "900 service". "900 service" means an inbound toll "telecommunications service" purchased by a subscriber that allows the subscriber's customers to call in to the subscriber's prerecorded announcement or live service. "900 service" does not include the charge for: collection services provided by the seller of the "telecommunications services" to the subscriber, or service or product sold by the subscriber to the subscriber's customer. The service is typically marketed under the name "900" service, and any subsequent numbers designated by the Federal Communications Commission,
- c. Interstate and International "private communications service". "Private communications service" means a "telecommunications service" that entitles the customer to exclusive or priority use of a communications channel or group of channels between or among termination points, regardless of the manner in which such channel or channels are connected, and

includes switching capacity, extension lines, stations and any other associated services that are provided in connection with the use of such channel or channels,

- d. "Value-added nonvoice data service". "Value-added nonvoice data service" means a service that otherwise meets the definition of "telecommunications services" in which computer processing applications are used to act on the form, content, code or protocol of the information or data primarily for a purpose other than transmission, conveyance, or routing,
- e. Interstate and International telecommunications service which is:
 - (1) rendered by a company for private use within its organization, or
 - (2) used, allocated or distributed by a company to its affiliated group,
- f. Regulatory assessments and charges including charges to fund the Oklahoma Universal Service Fund, the Oklahoma Lifeline Fund and the Oklahoma High Cost Fund, and
- g. Telecommunications nonrecurring charges including but not limited to the installation, connection, change, or initiation of telecommunications services which are not associated with a retail consumer sale;

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Sales of railroad track spikes manufactured and sold for use in this state in the construction or repair of railroad tracks, switches, sidings, and turnouts;

20. Sales of aircraft and aircraft parts provided such sales occur at a qualified aircraft maintenance facility. As used in this paragraph, "qualified aircraft maintenance facility" means a facility operated by an air common carrier including one or more component overhaul support buildings or structures in an area owned, leased, or controlled by the air common carrier, at which there were employed at least two thousand (2,000) full-time-equivalent employees in the preceding year as certified by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission and which is primarily related to the fabrication, repair, alteration, modification, refurbishing, maintenance, building, or rebuilding of commercial aircraft or aircraft parts used in air common carriage. For purposes of this paragraph, "air common carrier" shall also include members of an affiliated group as defined by Section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 1504. Beginning July 1, 2012, sales of machinery, tools, supplies, equipment, and related tangible personal property and services used or consumed in the repair, remodeling, or maintenance of aircraft, aircraft engines or aircraft component parts which occur at a qualified aircraft maintenance facility;

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- 21. Sales of machinery and equipment purchased and used by persons and establishments primarily engaged in computer services and data processing:
 - a. as defined under Industrial Group Numbers 7372 and
 7373 of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC)
 Manual, latest version, which derive at least fifty
 percent (50%) of their annual gross revenues from the
 sale of a product or service to an out-of-state buyer
 or consumer, and
 - b. as defined under Industrial Group Number 7374 of the SIC Manual, latest version, which derive at least eighty percent (80%) of their annual gross revenues from the sale of a product or service to an out-of-state buyer or consumer.

Eligibility for the exemption set out in this paragraph shall be established, subject to review by the Tax Commission, by annually filing an affidavit with the Tax Commission stating that the facility so qualifies and such information as required by the Tax Commission. For purposes of determining whether annual gross revenues are derived from sales to out-of-state buyers or consumers, all sales to the federal government shall be considered to be to an out-of-state buyer or consumer;

22. Sales of prosthetic devices to an individual for use by such individual. For purposes of this paragraph, "prosthetic

device" shall have the same meaning as provided in Section 1357.6 of this title, but shall not include corrective eye glasses, contact lenses, or hearing aids;

- 23. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a motion picture or television production company to be used or consumed in connection with an eligible production. For purposes of this paragraph, "eligible production" means a documentary, special, music video or a television commercial or television program that will serve as a pilot for or be a segment of an ongoing dramatic or situation comedy series filmed or taped for network or national or regional syndication or a feature-length motion picture intended for theatrical release or for network or national or regional syndication or broadcast. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to sales occurring on or after July 1, 1996. In order to qualify for the exemption, the motion picture or television production company shall file any documentation and information required to be submitted pursuant to rules promulgated by the Tax Commission;
- 24. Sales of diesel fuel sold for consumption by commercial vessels, barges and other commercial watercraft;
- 25. Sales of tangible personal property or services to taxexempt independent nonprofit biomedical research foundations that provide educational programs for Oklahoma science students and

teachers and to tax-exempt independent nonprofit community blood banks headquartered in this state;

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- 26. Effective May 6, 1992, sales of wireless telecommunications equipment to a vendor who subsequently transfers the equipment at no charge or for a discounted charge to a consumer as part of a promotional package or as an inducement to commence or continue a contract for wireless telecommunications services;
- 27. Effective January 1, 1991, leases of rail transportation cars to haul coal to coal-fired plants located in this state which generate electric power;
- 28. Beginning July 1, 2005, sales of aircraft engine repairs, modification, and replacement parts, sales of aircraft frame repairs and modification, aircraft interior modification, and paint, and sales of services employed in the repair, modification, and replacement of parts of aircraft engines, aircraft frame and interior repair and modification, and paint;
- 29. Sales of materials and supplies to the owner or operator of a ship, motor vessel, or barge that is used in interstate or international commerce if the materials and supplies:
 - a. are loaded on the ship, motor vessel, or barge and used in the maintenance and operation of the ship, motor vessel, or barge, or
 - b. enter into and become component parts of the ship, motor vessel, or barge;

- 30. Sales of tangible personal property made at estate sales at which such property is offered for sale on the premises of the former residence of the decedent by a person who is not required to be licensed pursuant to the Transient Merchant Licensing Act, or who is not otherwise required to obtain a sales tax permit for the sale of such property pursuant to the provisions of Section 1364 of this title; provided:
 - a. such sale or event may not be held for a period exceeding three (3) consecutive days,
 - b. the sale must be conducted within six (6) months of the date of death of the decedent, and
 - c. the exemption allowed by this paragraph shall not be allowed for property that was not part of the decedent's estate;
- 31. Beginning January 1, 2004, sales of electricity and associated delivery and transmission services, when sold exclusively for use by an oil and gas operator for reservoir dewatering projects and associated operations commencing on or after July 1, 2003, in which the initial water-to-oil ratio is greater than or equal to five-to-one water-to-oil, and such oil and gas development projects have been classified by the Corporation Commission as a reservoir dewatering unit;
- 32. Sales of prewritten computer software that is delivered electronically. For purposes of this paragraph, "delivered

electronically" means delivered to the purchaser by means other than tangible storage media;

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- 33. Sales of modular dwelling units when built at a production facility and moved in whole or in parts, to be assembled on-site, and permanently affixed to the real property and used for residential or commercial purposes. The exemption provided by this paragraph shall equal forty-five percent (45%) of the total sales price of the modular dwelling unit. For purposes of this paragraph, "modular dwelling unit" means a structure that is not subject to the motor vehicle excise tax imposed pursuant to Section 2103 of this title;
 - 34. Sales of tangible personal property or services to:
 - a. persons who are residents of Oklahoma and have been honorably discharged from active service in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or Oklahoma National Guard and who have been certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor to be in receipt of disability compensation at the one-hundred-percent rate and the disability shall be permanent and have been sustained through military action or accident or resulting from disease contracted while in such active service and registered with the veterans registry created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; provided, that if the

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veteran received the sales tax exemption prior to

November 1, 2020, he or she shall be required to

register with the veterans registry prior to July 1,

2023, in order to remain qualified, or

the surviving spouse of the person in subparagraph a b. of this paragraph if the person is deceased and the spouse has not remarried and the surviving spouse of a person who is determined by the United States Department of Defense or any branch of the United States military to have died while in the line of duty if the spouse has not remarried. Sales for the benefit of an eligible person to a spouse of the eligible person or to a member of the household in which the eligible person resides and who is authorized to make purchases on the person's behalf, when such eliqible person is not present at the sale, shall also be exempt for purposes of this paragraph. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall issue a separate exemption card to a spouse of an eligible person or to a member of the household in which the eligible person resides who is authorized to make purchases on the person's behalf, if requested by the eligible person. Sales qualifying for the exemption authorized by this paragraph shall not exceed Twenty-five Thousand

Dollars (\$25,000.00) per year per individual while the disabled veteran is living. Sales qualifying for the exemption authorized by this paragraph shall not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year for an unremarried surviving spouse. Upon request of the Tax Commission, a person asserting or claiming the exemption authorized by this paragraph shall provide a statement, executed under oath, that the total sales amounts for which the exemption is applicable have not exceeded Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) per year per living disabled veteran or One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per year for an unremarried surviving spouse. If the amount of such exempt sales exceeds such amount, the sales tax in excess of the authorized amount shall be treated as a direct sales tax liability and may be recovered by the Tax Commission in the same manner provided by law for other taxes including penalty and interest. The Tax Commission shall promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this paragraph, which shall include rules providing for the disclosure of information about persons eligible for the exemption authorized in this paragraph to the Oklahoma Department of Veteran's Veterans Affairs, as

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authorized in Section 205 of this title. For purposes of the exemption authorized by this subparagraph, if the disability determination that would have been made while the disabled veteran was still living is not made final until after the death of the disabled veteran, the exemption authorized by this subparagraph may still be claimed by the surviving spouse;

- 35. Sales of electricity to the operator, specifically designated by the Corporation Commission, of a spacing unit or lease from which oil is produced or attempted to be produced using enhanced recovery methods including, but not limited to, increased pressure in a producing formation through the use of water or saltwater if the electrical usage is associated with and necessary for the operation of equipment required to inject or circulate fluids in a producing formation for the purpose of forcing oil or petroleum into a wellbore for eventual recovery and production from the wellhead. In order to be eligible for the sales tax exemption authorized by this paragraph, the total content of oil recovered after the use of enhanced recovery methods shall not exceed one percent (1%) by volume. The exemption authorized by this paragraph shall be applicable only to the state sales tax rate and shall not be applicable to any county or municipal sales tax rate;
- 36. Sales of intrastate charter and tour bus transportation.
 As used in this paragraph, "intrastate charter and tour bus

transportation" means the transportation of persons from one location in this state to another location in this state in a motor vehicle which has been constructed in such a manner that it may lawfully carry more than eighteen persons, and which is ordinarily used or rented to carry persons for compensation. Provided, this exemption shall not apply to regularly scheduled bus transportation for the general public;

- 37. Sales of vitamins, minerals, and dietary supplements by a licensed chiropractor to a person who is the patient of such chiropractor at the physical location where the chiropractor provides chiropractic care or services to such patient. The provisions of this paragraph shall not be applicable to any drug, medicine, or substance for which a prescription by a licensed physician is required;
- 38. Sales of goods, wares, merchandise, tangible personal property, machinery, and equipment to a web search portal located in this state which derives at least eighty percent (80%) of its annual gross revenue from the sale of a product or service to an out-of-state buyer or consumer. For purposes of this paragraph, "web search portal" means an establishment classified under NAICS code 519130 which operates websites that use a search engine to generate and maintain extensive databases of Internet addresses and content in an easily searchable format;

39. Sales of tangible personal property consumed or incorporated in the construction or expansion of a facility for a corporation organized under Section 437 et seq. of Title 18 of the Oklahoma Statutes as a rural electric cooperative. For purposes of this paragraph, sales made to a contractor or subcontractor that has previously entered into a contractual relationship with a rural electric cooperative for construction or expansion of a facility shall be considered sales made to a rural electric cooperative;

- 40. Sales of tangible personal property or services to a business primarily engaged in the repair of consumer electronic goods including, but not limited to, cell phones, compact disc players, personal computers, MP3 players, digital devices for the storage and retrieval of information through hard-wired or wireless computer or Internet connections, if the devices are sold to the business by the original manufacturer of such devices and the devices are repaired, refitted or refurbished for sale by the entity qualifying for the exemption authorized by this paragraph directly to retail consumers or if the devices are sold to another business entity for sale to retail consumers;
- 41. On or after July 1, 2019, and prior to July 1, 2024, sales or leases of rolling stock when sold or leased by the manufacturer, regardless of whether the purchaser is a public services corporation engaged in business as a common carrier of property or passengers by railway, for use or consumption by a common carrier directly in the

rendition of public service. For purposes of this paragraph,
"rolling stock" means locomotives, autocars, and railroad cars and
"sales or leases" includes railroad car maintenance and retrofitting
of railroad cars for their further use only on the railways; and

- 42. Sales of gold, silver, platinum, palladium or other bullion items such as coins and bars and legal tender of any nation, which legal tender is sold according to its value as precious metal or as an investment. As used in the paragraph, "bullion" means any precious metal, including, but not limited to, gold, silver, platinum, and palladium, that is in such a state or condition that its value depends upon its precious metal content and not its form. The exemption authorized by this paragraph shall not apply to fabricated metals that have been processed or manufactured for artistic use or as jewelry; and
- 43. Sales of firearm safes and firearm safety devices. As used in this paragraph, "firearm safe" means a locking container or other enclosure, excluding glass-faced containers, equipped with a padlock, key lock, combination lock, or other locking device that is designed and intended for the secure storage of one or more firearms, and "firearm safety device" means a device that, when installed on a firearm, is designed to prevent the firearm from being operated without first deactivating the device or a device to be equipped or installed on a firearm that is designed to prevent

1	the operation of the firearm by anyone who does not have authorized
2	access to the firearm.
3	SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.
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