1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 2nd Session of the 55th Legislature (2016) 3 HOUSE BILL 3201 By: Grau of the House 4 and 5 Sykes of the Senate 6 7 8 AS INTRODUCED 9 An Act relating to multiple versions of statutes; amending, merging, consolidating and repealing 10 multiple versions of statutes; amending 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-1-105, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 173, O.S.L. 2015 (10A O.S. Supp. 2015, 11 Section 1-1-105); repealing 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-12 1-105, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 274, O.S.L. 2015 (10A O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1-1-105); 13 amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 310, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 14 2015, Section 1277); repealing 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 226, 15 O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1277); amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.23, as last 16 amended by Section 1, Chapter 144, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1289.23); repealing 21 O.S. 17 2011, Section 1289.23, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 216, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 18 1289.23); amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.12, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 207, O.S.L. 2015 19 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1290.12); repealing 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.12, as last amended by 20 Section 1, Chapter 72, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1290.12); amending 22 O.S. 2011, 21 Section 988.2, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 331, O.S.L. 2015 (22 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 988.2); 22 repealing 22 O.S. 2011, Section 988.2, as amended by

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Section 3, Chapter 397, O.S.L. 2015 (22 O.S. Supp.

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2015, Section 988.2); amending 26 O.S. 2011, Section 3-101, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 380,

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repealing 26 O.S. 2011, Section 3-101, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 219, O.S.L. 2015 (26 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 3-101); amending 28 O.S. 2011, Section 152, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 384, O.S.L. 2015 (28 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 152); repealing 28 O.S. 2011, Section 152, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 323, O.S.L. 2015 (28 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 152); amending 37 O.S. 2011, Section 506, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 506); repealing 37 O.S. 2011, Section 506, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 48, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 506); amending 37 O.S. 2011, Section 521, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 521); repealing 37 O.S. 2011, Section 521, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 48, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 521); amending 46 O.S. 2011, Section 15, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 175, O.S.L. 2015 (46 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 15); repealing 46 O.S. 2011, Section 15, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 177, O.S.L. 2015 (46 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 15); amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1107, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 223, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1107); repealing 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1107, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 318, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1107); amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1135.3, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1135.3); repealing 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1135.3, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 378, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1135.3); amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1135.5, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 378, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1135.5); repealing 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1135.5, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1135.5); amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-107, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 266, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-107); repealing 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-107, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 96, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-107); amending 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-110, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 266, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-110); repealing 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-110, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 97, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-110);

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

5 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-1-105, as 6 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 173, O.S.L. 2015 (10A O.S. Supp.

2015, Section 1-1-105), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-1-105. When used in the Oklahoma Children's Code, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Abandonment" means:
 - a. the willful intent by words, actions, or omissions not to return for a child, or
 - b. the failure to maintain a significant parental relationship with a child through visitation or communication in which incidental or token visits or communication are not considered significant, or
 - c. the failure to respond to notice of deprived proceedings;
- 2. "Abuse" means harm or threatened harm or failure to protect from harm or threatened harm to the health, safety, or welfare of a child by a person responsible for the child's health, safety, or welfare, including but not limited to nonaccidental physical or mental injury, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation. Provided, however, that nothing contained in this act shall prohibit any

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parent from using ordinary force as a means of discipline including, but not limited to, spanking, switching, or paddling.

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- a. "Harm or threatened harm to the health or safety of a child" means any real or threatened physical, mental, or emotional injury or damage to the body or mind that is not accidental including but not limited to sexual abuse, sexual exploitation, neglect, or dependency.
- b. "Sexual abuse" includes but is not limited to rape, incest, and lewd or indecent acts or proposals made to a child, as defined by law, by a person responsible for the health, safety, or welfare of the child.
- c. "Sexual exploitation" includes but is not limited to allowing, permitting, encouraging, or forcing a child to engage in prostitution, as defined by law, by any person eighteen (18) years of age or older or by a person responsible for the health, safety, or welfare of a child, or allowing, permitting, encouraging, or engaging in the lewd, obscene, or pornographic, as defined by law, photographing, filming, or depicting of a child in those acts by a person responsible for the health, safety, and welfare of the child;
- 3. "Adjudication" means a finding by the court that the allegations in a petition alleging that a child is deprived are supported by a preponderance of the evidence;

4. "Adjudicatory hearing" means a hearing by the court as provided by Section 1-4-601 of this title;

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- 5. "Age-appropriate or developmentally appropriate" means:
 - a. activities or items that are generally accepted as suitable for children of the same age or level of maturity or that are determined to be developmentally appropriate for a child, based on the development of cognitive, emotional, physical, and behavioral capacities that are typical for an age or age group, and
 - b. in the case of a specific child, activities or items that are suitable for that child based on the developmental stages attained by the child with respect to the cognitive, emotional, physical, and behavioral capacities of the specific child.

In the event that any age-related activities have implications relative to the academic curriculum of a child, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize an officer or employee of the federal government to mandate, direct, or control a state or local educational agency, or the specific instructional content, academic achievement standards and assessments, curriculum, or program of instruction of a school;

6. "Assessment" means a comprehensive review of child safety and evaluation of family functioning and protective capacities that

is conducted in response to a child abuse or neglect referral that does not allege a serious and immediate safety threat to a child;

- 7. "Behavioral health" means mental health, substance abuse, or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse diagnoses, and the continuum of mental health, substance abuse, or co-occurring mental health and substance abuse treatment;
- 8. "Child" means any unmarried person under eighteen (18) years of age;
- 9. "Child advocacy center" means a center and the multidisciplinary child abuse team of which it is a member that is accredited by the National Children's Alliance or that is completing a sixth year of reaccreditation. Child advocacy centers shall be classified, based on the child population of a district attorney's district, as follows:
 - a. nonurban centers in districts with child populations that are less than sixty thousand (60,000), and
 - b. midlevel nonurban centers in districts with child populations equal to or greater than sixty thousand (60,000), but not including Oklahoma and Tulsa counties;
- 10. "Child with a disability" means any child who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of the child, or who is regarded as having such an impairment by a competent medical professional;

11. "Child-placing agency" means an agency that arranges for or places a child in a foster family home, group home, adoptive home, or a successful adulthood program;

- means services or programs which maintain community participation or supervision in their planning, operation, and evaluation.

 Community-based services and programs may include, but are not limited to, emergency shelter, crisis intervention, group work, case supervision, job placement, recruitment and training of volunteers, consultation, medical, educational, home-based services, vocational, social, preventive and psychological guidance, training, counseling, early intervention and diversionary substance abuse treatment, sexual abuse treatment, transitional living, independent living, and other related services and programs;
- 13. "Concurrent permanency planning" means, when indicated, the implementation of two plans for a child entering foster care. One plan focuses on reuniting the parent and child; the other seeks to find a permanent out-of-home placement for the child with both plans being pursued simultaneously;
- 14. "Court-appointed special advocate" or "CASA" means a responsible adult volunteer who has been trained and is supervised by a court-appointed special advocate program recognized by the court, and when appointed by the court, serves as an officer of the court in the capacity as a guardian ad litem;

15. "Court-appointed special advocate program" means an organized program, administered by either an independent, not-for-profit corporation, a dependent project of an independent, not-for-profit corporation or a unit of local government, which recruits, screens, trains, assigns, supervises and supports volunteers to be available for appointment by the court as guardians ad litem;

- 16. "Custodian" means an individual other than a parent, legal guardian or Indian custodian, to whom legal custody of the child has been awarded by the court. As used in this title, the term "custodian" shall not mean the Department of Human Services;
- 17. "Day treatment" means a nonresidential program which provides intensive services to a child who resides in the child's own home, the home of a relative, group home, a foster home or residential child care facility. Day treatment programs include, but are not limited to, educational services;
 - 18. "Department" means the Department of Human Services;
- 19. "Dependency" means a child who is homeless or without proper care or guardianship through no fault of his or her parent, legal guardian, or custodian;
 - 20. "Deprived child" means a child:
 - a. who is for any reason destitute, homeless, or abandoned,
 - b. who does not have the proper parental care or guardianship,

c. who has been abused, neglected, or is dependent,

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d. whose home is an unfit place for the child by reason of depravity on the part of the parent or legal guardian of the child, or other person responsible for the health or welfare of the child,

- e. who is a child in need of special care and treatment because of the child's physical or mental condition, and the child's parents, legal guardian, or other custodian is unable or willfully fails to provide such special care and treatment. As used in this paragraph, a child in need of special care and treatment includes, but is not limited to, a child who at birth tests positive for alcohol or a controlled dangerous substance and who, pursuant to a drug or alcohol screen of the child and an assessment of the parent, is determined to be at risk of harm or threatened harm to the health or safety of a child,
- f. who is a child with a disability deprived of the nutrition necessary to sustain life or of the medical treatment necessary to remedy or relieve a life-threatening medical condition in order to cause or allow the death of the child if such nutrition or medical treatment is generally provided to similarly situated children without a disability or children

with disabilities; provided that no medical treatment shall be necessary if, in the reasonable medical judgment of the attending physician, such treatment would be futile in saving the life of the child,

- g. who, due to improper parental care and guardianship, is absent from school as specified in Section 10-106 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, if the child is subject to compulsory school attendance,
- h. whose parent, legal guardian or custodian for good cause desires to be relieved of custody,
- i. who has been born to a parent whose parental rights to another child have been involuntarily terminated by the court and the conditions which led to the making of the finding, which resulted in the termination of the parental rights of the parent to the other child, have not been corrected, or
- j. whose parent, legal guardian, or custodian has subjected another child to abuse or neglect or has allowed another child to be subjected to abuse or neglect and is currently a respondent in a deprived proceeding.

Nothing in the Oklahoma Children's Code shall be construed to mean a child is deprived for the sole reason the parent, legal guardian, or person having custody or control of a child, in good

faith, selects and depends upon spiritual means alone through prayer, in accordance with the tenets and practice of a recognized church or religious denomination, for the treatment or cure of disease or remedial care of such child.

Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent a court from immediately assuming custody of a child and ordering whatever action may be necessary, including medical treatment, to protect the child's health or welfare;

- 21. "Dispositional hearing" means a hearing by the court as provided by Section 1-4-706 of this title;
- 22. "Drug-endangered child" means a child who is at risk of suffering physical, psychological or sexual harm as a result of the use, possession, distribution, manufacture or cultivation of controlled substances, or the attempt of any of these acts, by a person responsible for the health, safety or welfare of the child, as defined in paragraph 50 51 of this section. This term includes circumstances wherein the substance abuse of the person responsible for the health, safety or welfare of the child interferes with that person's ability to parent and provide a safe and nurturing environment for the child. The term also includes newborns who test positive for a controlled dangerous substance, with the exception of those substances administered under the care of a physician;
- 23. "Emergency custody" means the custody of a child prior to adjudication of the child following issuance of an order of the

district court pursuant to Section 1-4-201 of this title or
following issuance of an order of the district court pursuant to an
emergency custody hearing, as specified by Section 1-4-203 of this
title;

- 24. "Facility" means a place, an institution, a building or part thereof, a set of buildings, or an area whether or not enclosing a building or set of buildings used for the lawful custody and treatment of children;
- 25. "Failure to protect" means failure to take reasonable action to remedy or prevent child abuse or neglect, and includes the conduct of a non-abusing parent or guardian who knows the identity of the abuser or the person neglecting the child, but lies, conceals or fails to report the child abuse or neglect or otherwise take reasonable action to end the abuse or neglect;
- 26. "Foster care" or "foster care services" means continuous twenty-four-hour care and supportive services provided for a child in foster placement including, but not limited to, the care, supervision, guidance, and rearing of a foster child by the foster parent;
- 26. 27. "Foster family home" means the private residence of a foster parent who provides foster care services to a child. Such term shall include a nonkinship foster family home, a therapeutic foster family home, or the home of a relative or other kinship care home;

27. 28. "Foster parent eligibility assessment" includes a criminal background investigation including, but not limited to, a national criminal history records search based upon the submission of fingerprints, home assessments, and any other assessment required by the Department of Human Services, the Office of Juvenile Affairs, or any child-placing agency pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Child Care Facilities Licensing Act;

28. 29. "Guardian ad litem" means a person appointed by the court pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-4-306 of this title having those duties and responsibilities as set forth in that section. The term "guardian ad litem" shall refer to a courtappointed special advocate as well as to any other person appointed pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-4-306 of this title to serve as a guardian ad litem;

 $\frac{29.30.}{1.00}$ "Guardian ad litem of the estate of the child" means a person appointed by the court to protect the property interests of a child pursuant to Section 1-8-108 of this title;

30. 31. "Group home" means a residential facility licensed by the Department to provide full-time care and community-based services for more than five but fewer than thirteen children;

31. 32. "Harm or threatened harm to the health or safety of a child" means any real or threatened physical, mental, or emotional injury or damage to the body or mind that is not accidental

including, but not limited to, sexual abuse, sexual exploitation,
neglect, or dependency;

32. 33. "Heinous and shocking abuse" includes, but is not limited to, aggravated physical abuse that results in serious bodily, mental, or emotional injury. "Serious bodily injury" means injury that involves:

- a. a substantial risk of death,
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- c. protracted disfigurement,
- d. a loss or impairment of the function of a body member, organ, or mental faculty,
- e. an injury to an internal or external organ or the body,
- f. a bone fracture,
- g. sexual abuse or sexual exploitation,
- h. chronic abuse including, but not limited to, physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation which is repeated or continuing,
- i. torture that includes, but is not limited to, inflicting, participating in or assisting in inflicting intense physical or emotional pain upon a child repeatedly over a period of time for the purpose of coercing or terrorizing a child or for the purpose

1 of satisfying the craven, cruel, or prurient desires 2 of the perpetrator or another person, or 3 j. any other similar aggravated circumstance; 4 33. 34. "Heinous and shocking neglect" includes, but is not 5 limited to: chronic neglect that includes, but is not limited to, 6 a. 7 a persistent pattern of family functioning in which the caregiver has not met or sustained the basic needs 8 9 of a child which results in harm to the child, 10 b. neglect that has resulted in a diagnosis of the child 11 as a failure to thrive, 12 C. an act or failure to act by a parent that results in 1.3 the death or near death of a child or sibling, serious 14 physical or emotional harm, sexual abuse, sexual 15 exploitation, or presents an imminent risk of serious 16 harm to a child, or 17 d. any other similar aggravating circumstance; 18 "Individualized service plan" means a document written 34. 35. 19 pursuant to Section 1-4-704 of this title that has the same meaning as "service plan" or "treatment plan" where those terms are used in 20 21 the Oklahoma Children's Code; 22 35. 36. "Infant" means a child who is twelve (12) months of age

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36. 37. "Institution" means a residential facility offering care and treatment for more than twenty residents;

- . "Investigation" means a response to an allegation of abuse or neglect that involves a serious and immediate threat to the safety of the child, making it necessary
 - (1) the current safety of a child and the risk of subsequent abuse or neglect, and
 - (2) whether child abuse or neglect occurred and whether the family needs prevention- and intervention-related services.
- "Investigation" results in a written response stating one of the following findings:
 - (1) "substantiated" means the Department has

 determined, after an investigation of a report of

 child abuse or neglect and based upon some

 credible evidence, that child abuse or neglect

 has occurred. When child abuse or neglect is

 substantiated, the Department may recommend:
 - a) court intervention if the Department finds
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 is threatened, or

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(b) child abuse and neglect prevention- and intervention-related services for the child, parents or persons responsible for the care of the child if court intervention is not determined to be necessary,

- (2) "unsubstantiated" means the Department has determined, after an investigation of a report of child abuse or neglect, that insufficient evidence exists to fully determine whether child abuse or neglect has occurred. If child abuse or neglect is unsubstantiated, the Department may recommend, when determined to be necessary, that the parents or persons responsible for the care of the child obtain child abuse and neglect prevention— and intervention—related services, or
- (3) "ruled out" means a report in which a child protective services specialist has determined, after an investigation of a report of child abuse or neglect, that no child abuse or neglect has occurred;

 $38. \ \underline{39.}$ "Kinship care" means full-time care of a child by a kinship relation;

 $39. \underline{40.}$ "Kinship guardianship" means a permanent guardianship as defined in this section;

40. 41. "Kinship relation" or "kinship relationship" means 1 2 relatives, stepparents, or other responsible adults who have a bond or tie with a child and/or to whom has been ascribed a family 3 4 relationship role with the child's parents or the child; provided, 5 however, in cases where the Indian Child Welfare Act applies, the definitions contained in 25 U.S.C., Section 1903 shall control; 6 7 41. 42. "Mental health facility" means a mental health or substance abuse treatment facility as defined by the Inpatient 8 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment of Minors Act; 10 42. 43. "Minor" means the same as the term "child" as defined 11 in this section; 12 43. 44. "Minor in need of treatment" means a child in need of 13 mental health or substance abuse treatment as defined by the 14 Inpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Treatment of Minors Act; 15 44. 45. "Multidisciplinary child abuse team" means any team 16 established pursuant to Section 1-9-102 of this title of three or 17 more persons who are trained in the prevention, identification, 18 investigation, prosecution, and treatment of physical and sexual 19 child abuse and who are qualified to facilitate a broad range of

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to child abuse. For purposes of this definition, "freestanding"

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"Near death" means a child is in serious or critical 1 45. 46. 2 condition, as certified by a physician, as a result of abuse or 3 neglect; 46. 47. 4 "Neglect" means: 5 the failure or omission to provide any of the following: 6 7 adequate nurturance and affection, food, (1)clothing, shelter, sanitation, hygiene, or 8 9 appropriate education, 10 (2) medical, dental, or behavioral health care, 11 (3) supervision or appropriate caretakers, or 12 special care made necessary by the physical or (4)1.3 mental condition of the child, 14 the failure or omission to protect a child from b. 15 exposure to any of the following: 16 (1) the use, possession, sale, or manufacture of 17 illegal drugs, 18 illegal activities, or (2) 19 sexual acts or materials that are not age-(3) 20 appropriate, or 21 C. abandonment. 22 Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to mean a child is 23 abused or neglected for the sole reason the parent, legal quardian

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or person having custody or control of a child, in good faith,

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selects and depends upon spiritual means alone through prayer, in accordance with the tenets and practice of a recognized church or religious denomination, for the treatment or cure of disease or remedial care of such child. Nothing contained in this paragraph shall prevent a court from immediately assuming custody of a child, pursuant to the Oklahoma Children's Code, and ordering whatever action may be necessary, including medical treatment, to protect the child's health or welfare;

- $\frac{47.}{48.}$ "Permanency hearing" means a hearing by the court pursuant to Section 1-4-811 of this title;
- 48. 49. "Permanent custody" means the court-ordered custody of an adjudicated deprived child when a parent-child relationship no longer exists due to termination of parental rights or due to the death of a parent or parents;
- 49. 50. "Permanent guardianship" means a judicially created relationship between a child, a kinship relation of the child, or other adult established pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-4-709 of this title;
- 50. 51. "Person responsible for a child's health, safety, or welfare" includes a parent; a legal guardian; custodian; a foster parent; a person eighteen (18) years of age or older with whom the child's parent cohabitates or any other adult residing in the home of the child; an agent or employee of a public or private residential home, institution, facility or day treatment program as

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defined in Section 175.20 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or an owner, operator, or employee of a child care facility as defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
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51. 52. "Protective custody" means custody of a child taken by a law enforcement officer or designated employee of the court without a court order;

52. 53. "Putative father" means an alleged father as that term is defined in Section 7700-102 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

53. 54. "Reasonable and prudent parent standard" means the standard characterized by careful and sensible parental decisions that maintain the health, safety, and best interests of a child while at the same time encouraging the emotional and developmental growth of the child. This standard shall be used by the child's caregiver when determining whether to allow a child to participate in extracurricular, enrichment, cultural, and social activities. For purposes of this definition, the term "caregiver" means a foster parent with whom a child in foster care has been placed, a representative of a group home where a child has been placed or a designated official for a residential child care facility where a child in foster care has been placed;

54. 55. "Relative" means a grandparent, great-grandparent, brother or sister of whole or half blood, aunt, uncle or any other person related to the child;

55. 56. "Residential child care facility" means a twenty-four-hour residential facility where children live together with or are supervised by adults who are not their parents or relatives;

- $\frac{56.}{57.}$ "Review hearing" means a hearing by the court pursuant to Section 1-4-807 of this title;
- 57. 58. "Risk" means the likelihood that an incident of child abuse or neglect will occur in the future;
- 58. 59. "Safety threat" means the threat of serious harm due to child abuse or neglect occurring in the present or in the very near future and without the intervention of another person, a child would likely or in all probability sustain severe or permanent disability or injury, illness, or death;
- 59. 60. "Safety analysis" means action taken by the Department in response to a report of alleged child abuse or neglect that may include an assessment or investigation based upon an analysis of the information received according to priority guidelines and other criteria adopted by the Department;
- 60. 61. "Safety evaluation" means evaluation of a child's situation by the Department using a structured, evidence-based tool to determine if the child is subject to a safety threat;
- 61. 62. "Secure facility" means a facility which is designed and operated to ensure that all entrances and exits from the facility are subject to the exclusive control of the staff of the facility, whether or not the juvenile being detained has freedom of

movement within the perimeter of the facility, or a facility which relies on locked rooms and buildings, fences, or physical restraint in order to control behavior of its residents;

62. 63. "Sibling" means a biologically or legally related brother or sister of a child;

- 63. 64. "Specialized foster care" means foster care provided to a child in a foster home or agency-contracted home which:
 - a. has been certified by the Developmental Disabilities

 Services Division of the Department of Human Services,
 - b. is monitored by the Division, and
 - c. is funded through the Home- and Community-Based Waiver
 Services Program administered by the Division;
- 64. 65. "Successful adulthood program" means a program specifically designed to assist a child to enhance those skills and abilities necessary for successful adult living. A successful adulthood program may include, but shall not be limited to, such features as minimal direct staff supervision, and the provision of supportive services to assist children with activities necessary for finding an appropriate place of residence, completing an education or vocational training, obtaining employment, or obtaining other similar services;
- 65. 66. "Temporary custody" means court-ordered custody of an adjudicated deprived child;

66. 67. "Therapeutic foster family home" means a foster family home which provides specific treatment services, pursuant to a therapeutic foster care contract, which are designed to remedy social and behavioral problems of a foster child residing in the home;

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67. 68. "Trafficking in persons" means sex trafficking or severe forms of trafficking in persons as described in Section 7102 of Title 22 of the United States Code:

- a. "sex trafficking" means the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for the purpose of a commercial sex act, and
- b. "severe forms of trafficking in persons" means:
 - (1) sex trafficking in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such act has not attained eighteen (18) years of age, or
 - (2) the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery;

68. 69. "Transitional living program" means a residential program that may be attached to an existing facility or operated

solely for the purpose of assisting children to develop the skills
and abilities necessary for successful adult living. The program
may include, but shall not be limited to, reduced staff supervision,
vocational training, educational services, employment and employment
training, and other appropriate independent living skills training
as a part of the transitional living program; and

69. 70. "Voluntary foster care placement" means the temporary placement of a child by the parent, legal guardian or custodian of the child in foster care pursuant to a signed placement agreement between the Department or a child-placing agency and the child's parent, legal guardian or custodian.

SECTION 2. REPEALER 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-1-105, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 274, O.S.L. 2015 (10A O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1-1-105), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 310, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1277), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1277.

UNLAWFUL CARRY IN CERTAIN PLACES

A. It shall be unlawful for any person in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act to carry any concealed or unconcealed handgun into any of the following places:

1. Any structure, building, or office space which is owned or leased by a city, town, county, state, or federal governmental authority for the purpose of conducting business with the public;

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- 2. Any prison, jail, detention facility or any facility used to process, hold, or house arrested persons, prisoners or persons alleged delinquent or adjudicated delinquent, except as provided in Section 21 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 3. Any public or private elementary or public or private secondary school, except as provided in subsections C and D of this section;
 - 4. Any sports arena during a professional sporting event;
- 5. Any place where pari-mutuel wagering is authorized by law; and
 - 6. Any other place specifically prohibited by law.
- B. For purposes of paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of subsection A of this section, the prohibited place does not include and specifically excludes the following property:
- 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, by a city, town, county, state, or federal governmental authority;
- 2. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, by any entity offering any professional sporting event which is open to the public for

admission, or by any entity engaged in pari-mutuel wagering authorized by law;

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- 3. Any property adjacent to a structure, building, or office space in which concealed or unconcealed weapons are prohibited by the provisions of this section;
- 4. Any property designated by a city, town, county, or state governmental authority as a park, recreational area, or fairgrounds; provided, nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to authorize any entry by a person in possession of a concealed or unconcealed handgun into any structure, building, or office space which is specifically prohibited by the provisions of subsection A of this section; and
- 5. Any property set aside by a public or private elementary or secondary school for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended; provided, however, said handgun shall be stored and hidden from view in a locked motor vehicle when the motor vehicle is left unattended on school property.

Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection or subsection C of this section shall be construed to authorize or allow any person in control of any place described in paragraph 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 of subsection A of this section to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license from possession of a handgun

allowable under such license in places described in paragraph 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 of this subsection.

- C. A concealed or unconcealed weapon may be carried onto private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by any private school for transportation of students or teachers by a person who is licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, provided a policy has been adopted by the governing entity of the private school that authorizes the carrying and possession of a weapon on private school property or in any school bus or vehicle used by a private school. Except for acts of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct, a governing entity of a private school that adopts a policy which authorizes the possession of a weapon on private school property, a school bus or vehicle used by the private school shall be immune from liability for any injuries arising from the adoption of the policy. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to claims pursuant to the Workers' Compensation Code.
- D. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 of subsection A of this section, a board of education of a school district may adopt a policy pursuant to Section 3 5-149.2 of this act Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes to authorize the carrying of a handgun onto school property by school personnel specifically designated by the board of education, provided such personnel either:
- 1. Possess a valid armed security guard license as provided for in Section 1750.1 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes; or

2. Hold a valid reserve peace officer certification as provided for in Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to restrict authority granted elsewhere in law to carry firearms.

- E. Any person violating the provisions of subsection A of this section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
- F. No person in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall be authorized to carry the handgun into or upon any college, university, or technology center school property, except as provided in this subsection. For purposes of this subsection, the following property shall not be construed as prohibited for persons having a valid handgun license:
- 1. Any property set aside for the use or parking of any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, provided the handgun is carried or stored as required by law and the handgun is not removed from the vehicle without the prior consent of the college or university president or technology center school administrator while the vehicle is on any college, university, or technology center school property;
- 2. Any property authorized for possession or use of handguns by college, university, or technology center school policy; and

3. Any property authorized by the written consent of the college or university president or technology center school administrator, provided the written consent is carried with the handgun and the valid handgun license while on college, university, or technology center school property.

The college, university, or technology center school may notify the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within ten (10) days of a violation of any provision of this subsection by a licensee. Upon receipt of a written notification of violation, the Bureau shall give a reasonable notice to the licensee and hold a hearing. At the hearing, upon a determination that the licensee has violated any provision of this subsection, the licensee may be subject to an administrative fine of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) and may have the handgun license suspended for three (3) months.

Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be construed to authorize or allow any college, university, or technology center school to establish any policy or rule that has the effect of prohibiting any person in lawful possession of a handgun license from possession of a handgun allowable under such license in places described in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this subsection. Nothing contained in any provision of this subsection shall be construed to limit the authority of any college, university or technology center school in this state from taking administrative

- 1 action against any student for any violation of any provision of 2 this subsection.
 - G. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any peace officer or to any person authorized by law to carry a pistol in the course of employment. District judges, associate district judges and special district judges, who are in possession of a valid handgun license issued pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and whose names appear on a list maintained by the Administrative Director of the Courts, shall be exempt from this section when acting in the course and scope of employment within the courthouses of this state. Private investigators with a firearms authorization shall be exempt from this section when acting in the course and scope of employment.
 - H. For the purposes of this section, "motor vehicle" means any automobile, truck, minivan or sports utility vehicle.
- 16 SECTION 4. REPEALER 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1277, as last
 17 amended by Section 1, Chapter 226, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015,
 18 Section 1277), is hereby repealed.
- 19 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.23, as
 20 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 144, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp.
 21 2015, Section 1289.23), is amended to read as follows:
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23 CONCEALED FIREARM FOR OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICER

A. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, a full-time duly appointed peace officer who is certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET), pursuant to the provisions of Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, is hereby authorized to carry a weapon approved by the employing agency anywhere in the state of Oklahoma, both while on active duty and during periods when the officer is not on active duty as provided by the provisions of subsection B of this section.

- B. When a full-time duly appointed officer carries an approved weapon, the officer shall be wearing the law enforcement uniform prescribed by the employing agency or plainclothes. When not wearing the prescribed law enforcement uniform, the officer shall be required:
- 1. To have the official peace officers badge, Commission Card and CLEET Certification Card on his or her person at all times when carrying a weapon approved by the employing agency; and
- 2. To keep the approved weapon concealed or unconcealed at all times, except when the weapon is used within the guidelines established by the employing agency.
- C. Nothing in this section shall be construed to alter or amend the provisions of Section 1272.1 of this title or expand the duties, authority or jurisdiction of any peace officer.
- D. A reserve peace officer who has satisfactorily completed a basic police course of not less than one hundred twenty (120) hours

of accredited instruction for reserve police officers and reserve deputies from the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training or a course of study approved by CLEET may carry an approved weapon when such officer is off duty as provided by subsection E of this section, provided:

- 1. The officer has been granted written authorization signed by the director of the employing agency; and
- 2. The employing agency shall maintain a current list of any officers authorized to carry an approved weapon while the officers are off duty, and shall provide a copy of such list to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training. Any change to the list shall be made in writing and mailed to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training within five (5) days.
- E. When an off-duty reserve peace officer carries an approved weapon, the officer shall be wearing the law enforcement uniform prescribed by the employing agency or when not wearing the prescribed law enforcement uniform, the officer shall be required:
- 1. To have his or her official peace officer's badge,

 Commission Card, CLEET Certification Card and written authorization

 on his or her person at all times when carrying a weapon approved by

 the employing agency; and
- 2. To keep the approved weapon concealed or unconcealed at all times, except when the weapon is used within the guidelines established by the employing agency.

F. Nothing in subsection D of this section shall be construed to alter or amend the provisions of Section 1750.2 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes or expand the duties, jurisdiction or authority of any reserve peace officer.

- G. Nothing in this section shall be construed to limit or restrict any peace officer or reserve peace officer from carrying a handgun, concealed or unconcealed, as allowed by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act after issuance of a valid license. An off-duty, full-time peace officer or reserve peace officer shall be deemed to have elected to carry a handgun under the authority of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act when the officer:
- 1. Has been issued a valid handgun license and is carrying a handgun not authorized by the employing agency; or
- 2. Is carrying a handgun in a manner or in a place not specifically authorized for off-duty carry by the employing agency.
- H. Any off-duty peace officer who carries any weapon in violation of the provisions of this section shall be deemed to be in violation of Section 1272 of this title and may be prosecuted as provided by law for a violation of that section.
- I. On or after November 1, 2004, a reserve or full-time commissioned peace officer may apply to carry a weapon pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act as follows:
- 1. The officer shall apply in writing to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) stating that the officer

desires to have a handgun license pursuant to the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and certifying that he or she has no preclusions to having such handgun license. The officer shall submit with the application:

- a. an official letter from his or her employing agency confirming the officer's employment and status as a full-time commissioned peace officer or an active reserve peace officer,
- b. a fee of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for the handgun license, and
- c. two passport-size photographs of the peace officer applicant;
- 2. Upon receiving the required information, CLEET shall determine whether the peace officer is in good standing, has CLEET certification and training, and is otherwise eligible for a handgun license. Upon verification of the officer's eligibility, CLEET shall send the information to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI) and OSBI shall issue a handgun license in the same or similar form as other handgun licenses. All other requirements in Section 1290.12 of this title concerning application for a handgun license shall be waived for active duty peace officers except as provided in this subsection including, but not limited to, training, fingerprints and criminal history records checks unless the officer does not have fingerprints on file or a criminal history

records background check conducted prior to employment as a peace officer. The OSBI shall not be required to conduct any further investigation into the eligibility of the peace officer applicant and shall not deny a handgun license except when preclusions are found to exist;

- 3. The term of the handgun license for an active duty reserve or full-time commissioned peace officer pursuant to this section shall be as provided in Section 1290.5 of this title, renewable in the same manner provided in this subsection for an original application by a peace officer. The handgun license shall be valid when the peace officer is in possession of a valid driver license and law enforcement commission card;
- 4. If the commission card of a law enforcement officer is terminated, revoked or suspended, the handgun license shall be immediately returned to CLEET. When a peace officer in possession of a handgun license pursuant to this subsection changes employment, the person must notify CLEET within ninety (90) days and send a new letter verifying employment and status as a full-time commissioned or reserve peace officer;
- 5. There shall be no refund of any fee for any unexpired term of any handgun license that is suspended, revoked or voluntarily returned to CLEET, or that is denied, suspended or revoked by the OSBI;

- 6. CLEET may promulgate any rules, forms or procedures necessary to implement the provisions of this section; and
- 7. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to change or amend the application process, eligibility, effective date or fees of any handgun license pending issuance on November 1, 2004, or previously issued to any peace officer prior to November 1, 2004.

7 SECTION 6. REPEALER 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1289.23, as 8 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 216, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 9 2015, Section 1289.23), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.12, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 207, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1290.12), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1290.12

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PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION

- A. Except as provided in paragraph 11 of this subsection, the procedure for applying for a handgun license and processing the application shall be as follows:
- 1. An eligible person may request an application packet for a handgun license from the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation or the county sheriff's office either in person or by mail. The Bureau may provide application packets to each sheriff not exceeding two hundred packets per request. The Bureau shall provide the following information in the application packet:

a. an application form,

- procedures to follow to process the application form,
 and
- c. a copy of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act with any modifications thereto;

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The person shall be required to successfully complete a firearms safety and training course from a firearms instructor who is approved and registered in this state as provided in Section 1290.14 of this title 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, and the person shall be required to demonstrate competency and qualification with a pistol authorized for concealed or unconcealed carry by the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The original certificate of successful completion of a firearms safety and training course and an original certificate of successful demonstration of competency and qualification to carry and handle a pistol shall be submitted with the application for a handgun license. No duplicate, copy, facsimile or other reproduction of the certificate of training, certificate of competency and qualification or exemption from training shall be acceptable as proof of training as required by the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. A person exempt from the training requirements as provided in Section 1290.15 of this title must show the required proof of such exemption to the firearms instructor to receive an exemption certificate. The

original exemption certificate must be submitted with the application for a handgun license when the person claims an exemption from training and qualification;

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- 3. The application form shall be completed and delivered by the applicant, in person, to the sheriff of the county wherein the applicant resides;
- 4. The person shall deliver to the sheriff at the time of delivery of the completed application form a fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for processing the application through the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation and processing the required fingerprints through the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The processing fee shall be in the form of:
 - a. a money order or a cashier's check made payable to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation,
 - b. by a nationally recognized credit card issued to the applicant. For purposes of this paragraph, "nationally recognized credit card" means any instrument or device, whether known as a credit card, credit plate, charge plate, or by any other name, issued with or without fee by the issuer for the use of the cardholder in obtaining goods, services, or anything else of value on credit which is accepted by over one thousand merchants in the state. The
 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall determine

which nationally recognized credit cards will be accepted by the Bureau, or

c. by electronic funds transfer.

Any person paying application fees to the Oklahoma State Bureau of

Investigation by means of a nationally recognized credit card or by

means of an electronic funds transfer shall be required to complete

and submit his or her application through the online application

process of the Bureau.

The processing fee shall not be refundable in the event of a denial of a handgun license or any suspension or revocation subsequent to the issuance of a license. Persons making application for a firearms instructor shall not be required to pay the application fee as provided in this section, but shall be required to pay the costs provided in paragraphs 6 and 8 of this subsection;

5. The completed application form shall be signed by the applicant in person before the sheriff. The signature shall be given voluntarily upon a sworn oath that the person knows the contents of the application and that the information contained in the application is true and correct. Any person making any false or misleading statement on an application for a handgun license shall, upon conviction, be guilty of perjury as defined by Section 491 of this title. Any conviction shall be punished as provided in Section 500 of this title. In addition to a criminal conviction, the person shall be denied the right to have a handgun license pursuant to the

provisions of Section 1290.10 of this title and the Oklahoma State

Bureau of Investigation shall revoke the handgun license, if issued;

- 6. Two passport-size photographs of the applicant shall be submitted with the completed application. The cost of the photographs shall be the responsibility of the applicant. The sheriff is authorized to take the photograph of the applicant for purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act and, if such photographs are taken by the sheriff, the cost of the photographs shall not exceed Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for the two photos. All money received by the sheriff from photographing applicants pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph shall be retained by the sheriff and deposited into the Sheriff's Service Fee Account;
- 7. The sheriff shall witness the signature of the applicant and review or take the photographs of the applicant and shall verify that the person making application for a handgun license is the same person in the photographs submitted and the same person who signed the application form. Proof of a valid Oklahoma driver license with a photograph of the applicant or an Oklahoma state photo identification for the applicant shall be required to be presented by the applicant to the sheriff for verification of the person's identity;
- 8. Upon verification of the identity of the applicant, the sheriff shall take two complete sets of fingerprints of the applicant. Both sets of fingerprints shall be submitted by the

sheriff with the completed application, certificate of training or an exemption certificate, photographs and processing fee to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within fourteen (14) days of taking the fingerprints. The cost of the fingerprints shall be paid by the applicant and shall not exceed Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for the two sets. All fees collected by the sheriff from taking fingerprints pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph shall be retained by the sheriff and deposited into the Sheriff's Service Fee Account;

9. The sheriff shall submit to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation within the fourteen-day period, together with the completed application, including the certificate of training, certificate of competency and qualification or exemption certificate, photographs, processing fee and legible fingerprints meeting the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation's Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) submission standards, and a report of information deemed pertinent to an investigation of the applicant for a handgun license. The sheriff shall make a preliminary investigation of pertinent information about the applicant and the court clerk shall assist the sheriff in locating pertinent information in court records for this purpose. If no pertinent information is found to exist either for or against the applicant, the sheriff shall so indicate in the report;

10. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, upon receipt of the application and required information from the sheriff, shall forward one full set of fingerprints of the applicant to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a national criminal history records search. The cost of processing the fingerprints nationally shall be paid from the processing fee collected by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation;

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Notwithstanding the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, or any other provisions of law, any person who has been granted a permanent victim's protective order by the court, as provided for in the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act, may be issued a temporary handgun license for a period not to exceed six (6) months. temporary handgun license may be issued if the person has successfully passed the required weapons course, completed the application process for the handgun license, passed the preliminary investigation of the person by the sheriff and court clerk, and provided the sheriff proof of a certified permanent victim protection order and a valid Oklahoma state photo identification card or driver license. The sheriff shall issue a temporary handqun license on a form approved by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, at no cost. Any person who has been issued a temporary license shall carry the temporary handgun license and a valid Oklahoma state photo identification on his or her person at all times, and shall be subject to all the requirements of the

Oklahoma Self-Defense Act when carrying a handgun. The person may proceed with the handgun licensing process. In the event the victim's protection order is no longer enforceable, the temporary handgun license shall cease to be valid;

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- 12. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall make a reasonable effort to investigate the information submitted by the applicant and the sheriff, to ascertain whether or not the issuance of a handgun license would be in violation of the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act. The investigation by the Bureau of an applicant shall include, but shall not be limited to: a statewide criminal history records search, a national criminal history records search, a Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint search, and if applicable, an investigation of medical records or other records or information deemed by the Bureau to be relevant to the application.
 - a. In the course of the investigation by the Bureau, it shall present the name of the applicant along with any known aliases, the address of the applicant and the social security number of the applicant to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Substance Abuse Services shall respond within ten (10) days of receiving such information to the Bureau as follows:

1 (1) with a "Yes" answer, if the records of the
2 Department indicate that the person was
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- (2) with a "No" answer, if there are no records indicating the name of the person as a person involuntarily committed to a mental institution in Oklahoma, or
- (3) with an "Inconclusive" answer if the records of the Department suggest the applicant may be a formerly committed person. In the case of an inconclusive answer, the Bureau shall ask the applicant whether he or she was involuntarily committed. If the applicant states under penalty of perjury that he or she has not been involuntarily committed, the Bureau shall continue processing the application for a license.
- b. In the course of the investigation by the Bureau, it shall check the name of any applicant who is twenty-eight (28) years of age or younger along with any known aliases, the address of the applicant and the social security number of the applicant against the records in the Juvenile Online Tracking System (JOLTS)

of the Office of Juvenile Affairs. The Office of Juvenile Affairs shall provide the Bureau direct access to check the applicant against the records available on JOLTS.

- (1) If the Bureau finds a record on the JOLTS that indicates the person was adjudicated a delinquent for an offense that would constitute a felony offense if committed by an adult within the last ten (10) years the Bureau shall deny the license,
- (2) If the Bureau finds no record on the JOLTS indicating the named person was adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would constitute a felony offense if committed by an adult within the last ten (10) years, or
- been adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would constitute a felony offense if committed by an adult but such record is inconclusive, the Bureau shall ask the applicant whether he or she was adjudicated a delinquent for an offense that would constitute a felony offense if committed by an adult within the last ten (10) years. If the applicant states under penalty of perjury that he or she was not adjudicated a delinquent within

ten (10) years, the Bureau shall continue processing the application for a license; and

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If the background check set forth in paragraph 12 of this 13. subsection reveals no records pertaining to the applicant, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall either issue a handgun license or deny the application within sixty (60) days of the date of receipt of the applicant's completed application and the required information from the sheriff. In all other cases, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation shall either issue a handgun license or deny the application within ninety (90) days of the date of the receipt of the applicant's completed application and the required information from the sheriff. The Bureau shall approve an applicant who appears to be in full compliance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, if completion of the federal fingerprint search is the only reason for delay of the issuance of the handgun license to that 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 the handqun license previously issued to the applicant. Bureau shall deny a license when the applicant fails to properly complete the application form or application process or is determined not to be eligible as specified by the provisions of Section 1290.9, 1290.10 or 1290.11 of this title. The Bureau shall approve an application in all other cases. If an application is

denied, the Bureau shall notify the applicant in writing of its The notification shall state the grounds for the denial and inform the applicant of the right to an appeal as may be provided by the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act. All notices of denial shall be mailed by first-class mail to the address of the applicant listed in the application. Within sixty (60) calendar days from the date of mailing a denial of application to an applicant, the applicant shall notify the Bureau in writing of the intent to appeal the decision of denial or the right of the applicant to appeal shall be deemed waived. Any administrative hearing on a denial which may be provided shall be conducted by a hearing examiner appointed by the Bureau. The decision of the hearing examiner shall be a final decision appealable to a district court in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act. When an application is approved, the Bureau shall issue the license and shall mail the license by first-class mail to the address of the applicant listed in the application.

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B. Nothing contained in any provision of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act shall be construed to require or authorize the registration, documentation or providing of serial numbers with regard to any firearm. For purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, the sheriff may designate a person to receive, fingerprint, photograph or otherwise process applications for handgun licenses.

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SECTION 8. REPEALER 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.12, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 72, O.S.L. 2015 (21 O.S. Supp. 3 2015, Section 1290.12), is hereby repealed.
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- SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 22 O.S. 2011, Section 988.2, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 331, O.S.L. 2015 (22 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 988.2), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 988.2 A. For purposes of the Oklahoma Community

 8 Sentencing Act:

- 1. "Local community sentencing system" means the use of public and private entities to deliver services to the sentencing court for punishment of eligible felony offenders under the authority of a community sentence;
- 2. "Community sentence" or "community punishment" means a punishment imposed by the court as a condition of a deferred or suspended sentence for an eligible offender;
- 3. "Continuum of sanctions" means a variety of coercive measures and treatment options ranked by degrees of public safety, punitive effect, and cost benefit which are available to the sentencing judge as punishment for criminal conduct;
- 4. "Community sentencing system planning council" or "planning council" means a group of citizens and elected officials specified by law or appointed by the Chief Judge of the Judicial District which plans the local community sentencing system and with the assistance of the Community Sentencing Division of the Department of

Corrections locates treatment providers and resources to support the local community sentencing system;

- 5. "Incentive" means a court-ordered reduction in the terms or conditions of a community sentence which is given for exceptional performance or progress by the offender;
- 6. "Disciplinary sanction" means a court-ordered punishment in response to a technical or noncompliance violation of a community sentence which increases in intensity or duration with each successive violation;
- 7. "Division" means the Community Sentencing Division within the Department of Corrections which is the state administration agency for the Oklahoma Community Sentencing Act, the statewide community sentencing system, and all local community sentencing systems;
- 8. "Eligible offender" means a felony offender who has been convicted of or who has entered a plea other than not guilty to a felony offense and who upon completion of a Level of Services

 Inventory or another assessment instrument has been found to be in a range other than the low range, who has been convicted of at least one prior felony, and who is not otherwise prohibited by law; provided, however, that no person who has been convicted of or who has entered a plea other than not guilty to an offense enumerated in paragraph 2 of Section 571 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes, as an exception to the definition of "nonviolent offense" shall be

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    eligible for a community sentence or community punishment unless the
    district attorney or an assistant district attorney for the district
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    The district attorney may consent to eligibility for an offender who
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    has a mental illness or a developmental disability or a co-occurring
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    low range on the LSI or another assessment instrument if the
    offender is not otherwise prohibited by law. Any consent by a
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    district attorney shall be made a part of the record of the case;
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9. "Statewide community sentencing system" means a network of all counties through their respective local community sentencing systems serving the state judicial system and offering support services to each other through reciprocal and interlocal agreements and interagency cooperation.

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- B. For the purposes of the Oklahoma Community Sentencing Act, if a judicial district does not have a Chief Judge or if a judicial district has more than one Chief Judge, the duties of the Chief Judge provided for in the Oklahoma Community Sentencing Act shall be performed by the Presiding Judge of the Judicial Administrative District.
- 22 SECTION 10. REPEALER 22 O.S. 2011, Section 988.2, as
 23 amended by Section 3, Chapter 397, O.S.L. 2015 (22 O.S. Supp. 2015,
 24 Section 988.2), is hereby repealed.

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SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 26 O.S. 2011, Section 3-101, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 380, O.S.L. 2015 (26 O.S. Supp.
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3 | 2015, Section 3-101), is amended to read as follows:

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- Section 3-101. A. No election required to be conducted by any county election board shall be scheduled for a day other than Tuesday.
 - B. Except as otherwise provided by law, no regular or special election to fill an elective office shall be held by any county, school district, technology center school district, municipality or other political subdivision authorized to call elections except as follows:
 - 1. The second Tuesday of February in any year;
 - 2. The first Tuesday of April in any year;
- 3. The date of any regularly scheduled statewide state or federal election in an even-numbered year;
 - 4. The second Tuesday of September in an odd-numbered year; and
 - 5. The second Tuesday of November in an odd-numbered year.
 - C. Except as otherwise provided by law, no election for any purpose other than to fill an elective office shall be held by any county, school district, technology center school district, municipality or other political subdivision authorized to call elections except on:
- 1. The second Tuesday of January, February, May, June, July,
 August, September, October and November and the first Tuesday in

- March and April in odd-numbered years; provided, a municipality with a population in excess of two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) persons, according to the most recent federal decennial census, may also hold an election on the second Tuesday of December in odd-numbered years; and
 - 2. The second Tuesday of January and February, the first Tuesday in March and April, the last Tuesday in June, the fourth Tuesday in August, and the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of any even-numbered year.

- D. In the event that a regular or special election date occurs on an official state holiday, the election shall be scheduled for the next following Tuesday. In the event that any day of a candidate filing period occurs on a Saturday, Sunday or any official state holiday, that day of the filing period shall be scheduled for the next business day.
- E. Notwithstanding any other provision of law or any provision of a municipal charter, any municipality, school district, technology center district, county, rural fire protection district, or any other entity seeking to hold a regular or special election to be conducted by a county election board on the same date as a regular or special federal or state election, shall file the resolution calling for the election with the county election board secretary no later than seventy-five (75) days prior to the election date. A candidate filing period of three (3) days, if so required

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- F. Any school district, technology center district,

 municipality, including any municipality governed by charter, rural

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 special election for the purpose of filling a vacancy shall schedule

 a candidate filing period of three (3) days to begin not more than

 twenty (20) days following the date the resolution calling the

 election is required to be filed with the secretary of the county

 election board.
- 14 SECTION 12. REPEALER 26 O.S. 2011, Section 3-101, as
 15 last amended by Section 3, Chapter 219, O.S.L. 2015 (26 O.S. Supp.
 16 2015, Section 3-101), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 28 O.S. 2011, Section 152, as
 amended by Section 1, Chapter 384, O.S.L. 2015 (28 O.S. Supp. 2015,
 Section 152), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 152. A. In any civil case filed in a district court,
 the court clerk shall collect, at the time of filing, the following
 flat fees, none of which shall ever be refundable, and which shall
 be the only charge for court costs, except as is otherwise
 specifically provided for by law:

1	1.	Actions for divorce, alimony without
2		divorce, separate maintenance, custody or
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4	2.	Any ancillary proceeding to modify or
5		vacate a divorce decree providing for
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7	3.	Probate and guardianship\$135.00
8	4.	Annual guardianship report\$33.00
9	5.	Any proceeding for sale or lease of real or
10		personal property or mineral interest in
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12	6.	Any proceeding to revoke the probate of a
13		will\$43.00
14	7.	Judicial determination of death\$58.00
15	8.	Adoption\$105.00
16	9.	Civil actions for an amount of Ten Thousand
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19	10.	Civil actions for an amount of Ten
20		Thousand One Dollars (\$10,001.00) or more\$163.00
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1	14. All others, including but not limited to
2	actions for forcible entry and detainer,
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4	the Workers' Compensation Court\$85.00

- 15. Notice of renewal of judgment.....\$23.00
- B. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to paragraphs 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 14 of subsection A of this section, the sum of Six Dollars (\$6.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Law Library Fund.
- C. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to subsections A and B of this section, the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Oklahoma Court Information System Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 1315 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- D. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to subsection A of this section, the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be assessed and credited to the Oklahoma court-appointed special advocates (OCASA).
- E. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to subsection A of this section, the sum of Two Dollars (\$2.00) shall be assessed and credited as follows:
- 1. One Dollar and fifty-five cents (\$1.55) of such amount shall be credited to the Council on Judicial Complaints Revolving Fund;
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2. Forty-five cents (\$0.45) of such amount shall be credited to the State Judicial Revolving Fund to be used to reimburse district courts for expenses related to services of interpreters and translators. Vouchers for such expenses shall be submitted by the district court and approved by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or another justice designated by the Chief Justice.

- F. In addition to the amounts collected pursuant to paragraphs 1, 3, 8, 9, 10 and 14 of subsection A of this section, each county may assess, upon approval by the board of county commissioners, a sum not to exceed Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per case to be credited to the Sheriff's Service Fee Account in the county in which the action arose for the purpose of enhancing existing or providing additional courthouse security.
- G. In any case in which a litigant claims to have a just cause of action and that, by reason of poverty, the litigant is unable to pay the fees and costs provided for in this section and is financially unable to employ counsel, upon the filing of an affidavit in forma pauperis executed before any officer authorized by law to administer oaths to that effect and upon satisfactory showing to the court that the litigant has no means and is, therefore, unable to pay the applicable fees and costs and to employ counsel, no fees or costs shall be required. The opposing party or parties may file with the court clerk of the court having jurisdiction of the cause an affidavit similarly executed

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   contradicting the allegation of poverty. In all such cases, the
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   the clerk shall permit the affiant to litigate without payment of
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- G. H. Payments to the court clerk for fees and costs assessed pursuant to this section may be made by a nationally recognized credit or debit card or other electronic payment method as provided in paragraph 1 of subsection B of Section 151 of this title.
- 1.3 SECTION 14. REPEALER 28 O.S. 2011, Section 152, as 14 amended by Section 1, Chapter 323, O.S.L. 2015 (28 O.S. Supp. 2015, 15 Section 152), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 15. AMENDATORY 37 O.S. 2011, Section 506, as 17 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 18 2015, Section 506), is amended to read as follows:
- 19 Section 506. When used in the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage 20 Control Act, the following words and phrases shall have the 21 following meaning:
- 22 "ABLE Commission" means the Alcoholic Beverage Laws 23 Enforcement Commission;

2. "Alcohol" means and includes hydrated oxide of ethyl, ethyl alcohol, ethanol, or spirits of wine, from whatever source or by whatever process produced. It does not include wood alcohol or alcohol which has been denatured or produced as denatured in accordance with Acts of Congress and regulations promulgated thereunder;

- 3. "Alcoholic beverage" means alcohol, spirits, beer, and wine as those terms are defined herein and also includes every liquid or solid, patented or not, containing alcohol, spirits, wine or beer and capable of being consumed as a beverage by human beings, but does not include low-point beer as that term is defined in Section 163.2 of this title;
- 4. "Applicant" means any individual, legal or commercial business entity, or any individual involved in any legal or commercial business entity allowed to hold any license issued in accordance with the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act;
- 5. "Beer" means any beverage containing more than three and two-tenths percent (3.2%) of alcohol by weight and obtained by the alcoholic fermentation of an infusion or decoction of barley, or other grain, malt or similar products. "Beer" may or may not contain hops or other vegetable products. "Beer" includes, among other things, beer, ale, stout, lager beer, porter and other malt or brewed liquors, but does not include sake, known as Japanese rice wine;

6. "Bottle club" means any establishment in a county which has not authorized the retail sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink, which is required to be licensed to keep, mix, and serve alcoholic beverages belonging to club members on club premises;

- 7. "Brewer" means any person who produces beer in this state;
- 8. "Class B wholesaler" means and includes any person doing any such acts or carrying on any such business that would require such person to obtain a Class B wholesaler license hereunder;
- 9. "Convicted" and "conviction" mean and include a finding of guilt resulting from a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, the decision of a court or magistrate or the verdict of a jury, irrespective of the pronouncement of judgment or the suspension thereof:
- 10. "Director" means the Director of the Alcoholic Beverage
 Laws Enforcement Commission under the supervision of said the
 Commission:
- 11. "Distiller" means any person who produces spirits from any source or substance, or any person who brews or makes mash, wort, or wash, fit for distillation or for the production of spirits (except a person making or using such material in the authorized production of wine or beer, or the production of vinegar by fermentation), or any person who by any process separates alcoholic spirits from any

fermented substance, or any person who, making or keeping mash, wort, or wash, has also in his or her possession or use a still;

- 12. "Hotel" or "motel" shall mean an establishment which is licensed to sell alcoholic beverages by the individual drink and which contains guestroom accommodations with respect to which the predominant relationship existing between the occupants thereof and the owner or operator of the establishment is that of innkeeper and guest. For purposes of this section, the existence of other legal relationships as between some occupants and the owner or operator thereof shall be immaterial;
- 13. "Legal newspaper" means a newspaper meeting the requisites of a newspaper for publication of legal notices as prescribed in Sections 101 through 114 of Title 25 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 14. "Licensee" means any person holding a license under the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, and any agent, servant, or employee of such licensee while in the performance of any act or duty in connection with the licensed business or on the licensed premises;
- 19 15. "Light beer" means a low-point beer controlled under this 20 title;
- 16. "Light wine" means any wine containing not more than
 fourteen percent (14%) alcohol measured by volume at sixty (60)
 degrees Fahrenheit;

17. "Manufacturer's agent" means a salaried or commissioned salesman who sells to a wholesaler or Class B wholesaler only;

- 18. "Manufacturer" means a brewer, distiller, winemaker, rectifier, or bottler of any alcoholic beverage;
- 19. "Meals" means foods commonly ordered at lunch or dinner and at least part of which is cooked on the licensed premises and requires the use of dining implements for consumption. Provided, that the service of only food such as appetizers, sandwiches, salads or desserts shall not be considered "meals";
- 20. "Mini-bar" means a closed container, either refrigerated, in whole or in part, or nonrefrigerated, and access to the interior of which is (1) restricted by means of a locking device which requires the use of a key, magnetic card, or similar device, or (2) controlled at all times by the licensee;
- 21. "Mixed beverage cooler" means any beverage, by whatever name designated, consisting of an alcoholic beverage and fruit or vegetable juice, fruit or vegetable flavorings, dairy products or carbonated water containing more than one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of alcohol measured by volume but not more than seven percent (7%) alcohol by volume at sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit and which is packaged in a container not larger than three hundred seventy-five (375) milliliters. Such term shall include, but not be limited to, the beverage popularly known as a "wine cooler";

22. "Mixed beverages" means one or more servings of a beverage composed in whole or part of an alcoholic beverage in a sealed or unsealed container of any legal size for consumption on the premises where served or sold by the holder of a mixed beverage, beer and wine, caterer, public event, charitable event or special event license;

- 23. "Motion picture theater" means a place where motion pictures are exhibited and to which the general public is admitted, but does not include a place where meals, as defined by this section, are served, if only persons over twenty-one (21) years of age are admitted;
- 24. "Retail salesperson" means a salesperson soliciting orders from and calling upon retail alcoholic beverage stores with regard to his or her product;
- 25. "Occupation" as used in connection with "occupation tax" means the sites occupied as the places of business of the manufacturers, wholesalers, Class B wholesalers, retailers, mixed beverage licensees, beer and wine licensees, bottle clubs, caterers, public event, and special event licensees;
- 26. "Original package" means any container of alcoholic beverage filled and stamped or sealed by the manufacturer;
- 27. "Patron" means any person, customer, or visitor who is not employed by a licensee or who is not a licensee;

28. "Person" means an individual, any type of partnership, corporation, association, limited liability company or any individual involved in the legal structure of any such business entity;

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- 29. "Premises" means the grounds and all buildings and appurtenances pertaining to the grounds including any adjacent premises if under the direct or indirect control of the licensee and the rooms and equipment under the control of the licensee and used in connection with or in furtherance of the business covered by a license. Provided that the ABLE Commission shall have the authority to designate areas to be excluded from the licensed premises solely for the purpose of:
 - a. allowing the presence and consumption of alcoholic beverages by private parties which are closed to the general public, or
 - b. allowing the services of a caterer serving alcoholic beverages provided by a private party.
- This exception shall in no way limit the licensee's concurrent responsibility for any violations of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act occurring on the licensed premises;
- 30. "Public event" means any event that can be attended by the general public;
- 31. "Private event" means a social gathering or event attended by invited guests who share a common cause, membership, business or

1 task and have a prior established relationship. For purposes of 2 this definition, advertisement for general public attendance or sales of tickets to the general public shall not constitute a 3 4 private event;

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- "Rectifier" means any person who rectifies, purifies, or refines spirits or wines by any process (other than by original and continuous distillation, or original and continuous processing, from mash, wort, wash, or other substance, through continuous closed vessels and pipes, until the production thereof is complete), and any person who, without rectifying, purifying, or refining spirits, shall by mixing (except for immediate consumption on the premises where mixed) such spirits, wine, or other liquor with any material, manufactures any spurious, imitation, or compound liquors for sale, under the name of whiskey, brandy, rum, gin, wine, spirits, cordials, or any other name;
- "Regulation" or "rule" means a formal rule of general application promulgated by the ABLE Commission as herein required;
- "Restaurant" means an establishment that is licensed to sell alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption and where food is prepared and sold for immediate consumption on the premises;
- 22 "Retail container for spirits and wines" means an original package of any capacity approved by the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms;

36. "Retailer" means the holder of a Package Store License;

- 37. "Sale" means any transfer, exchange or barter in any manner or by any means whatsoever, and includes and means all sales made by any person, whether as principal, proprietor or as an agent, servant or employee. The term "sale" is also declared to be and include the use or consumption in this state of any alcoholic beverage obtained within or imported from without this state, upon which the excise tax levied by the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act has not been paid or exempted;
- 10 38. "Short order food" means food other than full meals
 11 including but not limited to sandwiches, soups, and salads.
- Provided that popcorn, chips, and other similar snack food shall not be considered "short order food";
 - 39. "Small Farm Wine" means a wine that is produced by a small farm winery with seventy-five percent (75%) or more Oklahoma-grown grapes, berries, other fruits, honey or vegetables;
 - 40. "Small Farm Winery" means a wine-making establishment that does not annually produce for sale more than ten thousand (10,000) gallons of wine as reported on the United States Department of the Treasury, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Report of Wine Premises Operations (TTB Form 5120.17);
- 22 <u>41.</u> "Sparkling wine" means champagne or any artificially 23 carbonated wine;

40. 42. "Spirits" means any beverage other than wine, beer or light beer, which contains more than one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) alcohol measured by volume and obtained by distillation, whether or not mixed with other substances in solution and includes those products known as whiskey, brandy, rum, gin, vodka, liqueurs, cordials and fortified wines and similar compounds; but shall not include any alcohol liquid completely denatured in accordance with the Acts of Congress and regulations pursuant thereto;

- 41. 43. "Wholesaler" means and includes any person doing any such acts or carrying on any such business or businesses that would require such person to obtain a wholesaler's license or licenses hereunder;
- 42. 44. "Wine" means and includes any beverage containing more than one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) alcohol by volume and not more than twenty-four percent (24%) alcohol by volume at sixty (60) degrees Fahrenheit obtained by the fermentation of the natural contents of fruits, vegetables, honey, milk or other products containing sugar, whether or not other ingredients are added, and includes vermouth and sake, known as Japanese rice wine;

43. 45. "Winemaker" means any person who produces wine; and
44. 46. "Oklahoma winemaker" means a business premises in
Oklahoma licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage
Control Act wherein wine is produced by the licensee who must be a resident of the state. The wine product fermented in said the

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licensed premises shall be of grapes, berries and other fruits and vegetables imported into this state and processed herein or shall be of grapes, berries and other fruits and vegetables grown in Oklahoma.
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Words in the plural include the singular, and vice versa, and words imparting the masculine gender include the feminine, as well as persons and licensees as defined in this section.

SECTION 16. REPEALER 37 O.S. 2011, Section 506, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 48, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 506), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 17. AMENDATORY 37 O.S. 2011, Section 521, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 275, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 521), is amended to read as follows:

Section 521. A. A brewer license shall authorize the holder thereof: To manufacture, bottle, package, and store beer on licensed premises; to sell beer in this state to holders of Class B wholesaler licenses and retail licenses and to sell beer out of this state to qualified persons; and to serve free samples of beer produced by the licensee to visitors twenty-one (21) years of age or older. For purposes of this section, no visitor may sample more than a total of twelve (12) fluid ounces of beer per day. The brewer must restrict the distribution and consumption of beer samples to an area within the licensed premises designated by the brewer. A current floor plan that includes the designated sampling

area must be on file with the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Laws

Enforcement (ABLE) Commission. No visitor under twenty-one (21)

years of age shall be permitted to enter this designated sampling

area when samples are being distributed or consumed. Samples may

only be distributed or consumed between ten 10:00 a.m. and nine 9:00

p.m. Samples of beer served by a brewery under this section shall

not be considered a "sale" of beer within the meaning of Article

XXVIII of the Oklahoma Constitution or Section 506 of this title;

however, such samples of beer shall be considered beer removed or

withdrawn from the brewery for "use or consumption" within the

meaning of Section 542 of this title for excise tax determination

and reporting requirements.

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- B. A distiller license shall authorize the holder thereof: To manufacture, bottle, package, and store spirits on licensed premises; to sell spirits in this state to licensed wholesalers and manufacturers only; to sell spirits out of this state to qualified persons; to purchase from licensed distillers and rectifiers in this state, and import spirits from without this state for manufacturing purposes in accordance with federal laws and regulations.
- C. A winemaker license shall authorize the holder thereof: To manufacture (including such mixing, blending and cellar treatment as authorized by federal law), bottle, package, and store on licensed premises wine containing not more than twenty-four percent (24%) alcohol by volume, provided the bottle or package sizes authorized

shall be limited to the capacities approved by the United States Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau; to sell wine in this state to licensed wholesalers and manufacturers; to sell bottles of wine produced at the winery from grapes and other fruits and berries grown in this state, if available, to consumers on the premises of the winery; to serve visitors on the licensed premises samples of wine produced on the premises; to serve samples of wine produced at the winery at festivals and trade shows; to sell wine produced at the winery, in original sealed containers, at festivals and trade shows; to sell wine out of this state to qualified persons; to purchase from licensed winemakers, distillers and rectifiers in this state, and to import into this state wine, brandy and fruit spirits for use in manufacturing in accordance with federal laws and regulations; provided, a winemaker either within or without this state that annually produces no more than ten thousand (10,000) gallons of wine may elect to sell and self-distribute the wine produced by such winemaker directly to licensed retail package stores and restaurants in this state; and provided further that:

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1. Any such winemaker which elects to directly sell its wine to package stores and restaurants shall not also use a licensed wholesale distributor as a means of distribution, and shall be required to sell its wines to every package store and restaurant licensee who desires to purchase the same, on the same price basis and without discrimination;

2. If a winemaker or winery sells directly to a retail package store or restaurant, the winemaker shall transport the wine from the winemaker's winery to the premises where the wine is to be delivered only in vehicles owned or leased by the winemaker and not by common or private contract carrier and shall obtain all necessary permits as required by the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act; and

- 3. If the production volume limit applicable to winemakers is ruled to be unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, then no winemaker shall be permitted to directly sell its wine to retail package stores or restaurants in this state.
- D. A winemaker self-distribution license shall authorize a licensed winemaker within or without this state which is permitted by Section 3 of Article XXVIII of the Oklahoma Constitution and subsection C of this section, to distribute its wine directly to retail package stores and restaurants in this state and that elects to do so, to sell and deliver its wines directly to licensed retail package stores and restaurants in this state in full case lots only, and in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act and such rules as the ABLE Commission shall adopt.
- E. A rectifier license shall authorize the holder thereof: To rectify spirits and wines, bottle, package, and store same on the licensed premises; to sell spirits and wines in this state to licensed wholesalers and manufacturers only; to sell spirits and

- wines out of this state to qualified persons; to purchase from

 licensed manufacturers in this state; and to import into this state

 for manufacturing purposes spirits and wines in accordance with

 federal laws and regulations.
- 5 A wholesaler license shall authorize the holder thereof: To purchase and import into this state spirits and wines from 6 7 persons authorized to sell same who are the holders of a nonresident seller license, and their agents who are the holders of 8 manufacturers agent licenses; to purchase spirits and wines from 10 licensed distillers, rectifiers and winemakers in this state; to 11 purchase spirits and wines from licensed wholesalers, to the extent 12 set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this subsection; to sell in retail containers in this state to retailers, mixed beverage, 13 14 caterer, special event, public event, hotel beverage or 15 airline/railroad beverage licensees, spirits and wines which have 16 been received and unloaded at the bonded warehouse facilities of the 17 wholesaler before such sale; to sell to licensed wholesalers, to the 18 extent set forth in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this subsection, spirits 19 and wines which have been received and unloaded at the bonded 20 warehouse facilities of the wholesaler before such sale; and to sell 21 spirits and wines out of this state to qualified persons. Provided, 22 however, sales of spirits and wine in containers with a capacity of 23 less than one-twentieth (1/20) gallon by a holder of a wholesaler license shall be in full case lots and in the original unbroken 24

case. Wholesalers shall be authorized to place such signs outside their place of business as are required by Acts of Congress and by such laws and regulations promulgated under such Acts.

- 2. Wholesalers are prohibited from purchasing annually in excess of fifteen percent (15%) of their total spirits inventory and fifteen percent (15%) of their total wine inventory from one or more wholesalers. Wholesalers are also prohibited from purchasing annually in excess of fifteen percent (15%) of their inventory of any individual brand of spirits or wine from one or more wholesalers. The volume of spirits and wine and of each brand that each wholesaler is permitted to purchase annually from other wholesalers shall be calculated by the ABLE Commission by multiplying fifteen percent (15%) by:
 - a. the total volume of spirits sales of the wholesaler, by liter, from the previous calendar year, and
 - b. the total volume of wine sales of the wholesaler, by liter, from the previous calendar year, and
 - c. the volume of sales of each brand of spirits or wine of the wholesaler, by liter, from the previous calendar year.

A wholesaler who did not post any sales of spirits, wine or of a particular brand in the previous calendar year shall be deemed to have sold the same volume of spirits, wine or of a particular brand as the wholesaler posting the smallest volumes of sales in spirits,

wine or of a particular brand for that year for the purposes of this paragraph. Notwithstanding the foregoing, wholesalers shall not purchase any inventory in spirits or wine from any other wholesaler until such time that the purchasing wholesaler possesses an inventory valued at no less than Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00). Inventory valuation shall be based on the original actual price paid by the purchasing wholesaler to the nonresident seller for the inventory.

- 3. A wholesaler may sell spirits and wine to other wholesalers or purchase spirits and wines from other wholesalers without complying with paragraph 2 of this subsection in the case of the sale, purchase, or other transfer or acquisition of the entire business of a wholesaler, including the inventory of spirits and wine.
- 4. A wholesaler license shall authorize the holder thereof to operate a single bonded warehouse with a single central office together with delivery facilities at a location in this state only at the principal place of business for which the wholesaler license was granted.
- 5. All licensed wholesalers shall register prices, purchase and keep on hand or have on order a fifteen-day supply of all brands constituting the top eighteen brands in total sales by all Oklahoma wholesalers during the past twelve-month period, according to the records of the ABLE Commission as revised by the ABLE Commission

quarterly; provided, however, that not more than three brands of any particular nonresident seller shall be included in the top-brands classification. All purchase orders for these top eighteen brands must show an expected due delivery date. These purchase orders may only be canceled with prior approval of the Director of the ABLE Commission, unless a wholesaler shall have in its warehouse a fifteen-day supply of merchandise on such purchase order.

In order to allow the ABLE Commission to determine the top eighteen brands, wholesalers must submit to the ABLE Commission every sixty (60) days a sworn affidavit listing their top twenty-five brands in sales for the previous sixty (60) days, excluding sales to wholesalers. Such affidavits shall be submitted in conjunction with the original price postings of wholesalers.

A fifteen-day supply of a particular brand for a particular wholesaler shall be based upon the market share of the wholesaler, determined by first multiplying the total number of liters of such brand sold by all wholesalers to all retailers during the previous calendar year by the percentage that the total sales of wine and spirits of the particular wholesaler, in liters, for such calendar year bears to the total sales of wine and spirits, in liters, reported by all wholesalers for such calendar year; and then dividing by twenty-four (24); provided, that a fifteen-day supply for a wholesaler who has not been in business for the entirety of the previous calendar year shall be deemed to be equal to that of

the wholesaler who was in business for the entirety of the previous calendar year and who reported the lowest volume of sales of wine and spirits, in liters, of any wholesaler having been in business for such period.

- G. A Class B wholesaler license shall authorize the holder thereof: To purchase and import into this state beer from persons authorized to sell same who are the holders of nonresident seller licenses, and their agents who are the holders of manufacturers agent licenses; to purchase beer from licensed brewers and Class B wholesalers in this state; to sell in retail containers to retailers, mixed beverage, caterer, special event, public event, hotel beverage, and airline/railroad beverage licensees in this state, beer which has been unloaded and stored at the holder's selfowned or leased and self-operated warehouse facilities for a period of at least twenty-four (24) hours before such sale; and to sell beer in this state to Class B wholesalers and out of this state to qualified persons, including federal instrumentalities and voluntary associations of military personnel on federal enclaves in this state over which this state has ceded jurisdiction.
- H. A package store license shall authorize the holder thereof:

 To purchase alcohol, spirits, beer, and wine in retail containers

 from the holder of a brewer, wholesaler or Class B wholesaler

 license and to purchase wine from a winemaker who is permitted and

 has elected to self-distribute as provided in Section 3 of Article

XXVIII of the Oklahoma Constitution and to sell same on the licensed premises in such containers to consumers for off-premises consumption only and not for resale; provided, wine, beer, and spirits may be sold to charitable organizations that are holders of charitable alcoholic beverage auction or charitable alcoholic beverage event licenses. All alcoholic beverages that are sold by a package store are to be sold at ordinary room temperature.

I. A mixed beverage license shall authorize the holder thereof:
To purchase alcohol, spirits, beer or wine in retail containers from
the holder of a wholesaler or Class B wholesaler license or as
specifically provided by law and to sell, offer for sale and possess
mixed beverages for on-premises consumption only; provided, the
holder of a mixed beverage license issued for an establishment which
is also a restaurant may purchase wine directly from a winemaker who
is permitted and has elected to self-distribute as provided in
Section 3 of Article XXVIII of the Oklahoma Constitution.

Sales and service of mixed beverages by holders of mixed beverage licenses shall be limited to the licensed premises of the licensee unless the holder of the mixed beverage license also obtains a caterer license or a mixed beverage/caterer combination license. A mixed beverage license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. A separate license shall be required for each place of business. No

mixed beverage license shall be issued for any place of business functioning as a motion picture theater, as defined by Section 506 of this title. A mixed beverage licensee whose main purpose is hosting live performance art presentations may utilize the services of a licensed caterer for its alcoholic beverage service as long as it is not open to the public more than one hundred twenty (120) days per year.

- J. A bottle club license shall authorize the holder thereof: To store, possess and mix alcoholic beverages belonging to members of the club and to serve such alcoholic beverages for on-premises consumption to club members. A bottle club license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has not been authorized. A separate license shall be required for each place of business.
- K. A caterer license shall authorize the holder thereof: To sell mixed beverages for on-premises consumption incidental to the sale or distribution of food at particular functions, occasions, or events which are private and temporary in nature. A caterer license shall not be issued in lieu of a mixed beverage license. A caterer license shall only be issued or utilized in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. A separate license shall be required for each place of business.

A licensed caterer shall be authorized to sell mixed beverages for on-premises consumption incidental to the distribution of food at temporary private functions, at temporary public events that are licensed and approved by the ABLE Commission, and on the premises of a mixed beverage licensee whose main purpose is the hosting of live performing art presentations and is not open to the public more than one hundred twenty (120) days per year.

- L. 1. An annual special event license shall authorize the holder thereof: To sell and distribute mixed beverages for consumption on the premises for which the license has been issued for up to four events to be held over a period not to exceed one (1) year, not to exceed two such events in any three-month period. For purposes of this paragraph, an event shall not exceed a period of ten (10) consecutive days. An annual special event license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. The holder of an annual special event license shall provide written notice to the ABLE Commission of each special event not less than ten (10) days before the event is held.
- 2. A quarterly special event license shall authorize the holder thereof: To sell and distribute mixed beverages for consumption on the premises for which the license has been issued for up to three events to be held over a period not to exceed three (3) months. For purposes of this paragraph, an event shall not exceed a period of

ten (10) consecutive days. A quarterly special event license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. The holder of a quarterly special event license shall provide written notice to the ABLE Commission of each special event not less than ten (10) days before the event is held.

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3. An annual public event license shall authorize the holder thereof: to sell and distribute mixed beverages for consumption on the premises for which the license has been issued for up to six events to be held over a period not to exceed one (1) year. applicant for an annual public event license, who does not already hold a license issued by the ABLE Commission, shall make application not less than sixty (60) days before its first event. The ABLE Commission shall have the authority to waive the sixty-day requirement at its discretion. For purposes of this paragraph, an event shall not exceed a period of three (3) consecutive days. An annual public event license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. The holder of an annual public event license shall provide written notice to the ABLE Commission of each subsequent public event not less than ten (10) days before the event is held. A public event license shall not be used in lieu of a mixed beverage license. The holder of an annual public event license may choose to utilize the services of a

licensed caterer to provide and distribute the alcoholic beverages at their events. When the applicant chooses to utilize the services of a licensed caterer, the applicant shall declare upon application which licensed caterer will be used. The licensed caterer shall be responsible for payment of all applicable mixed beverage taxes through the existing Mixed Beverage Tax Permit issued to his or her business by the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

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4. A one-time public event license shall authorize the holder thereof: to sell and distribute mixed beverages for consumption on the premises for which the license has been issued. The applicant for a one-time public event license, who does not already hold a license issued by the ABLE Commission, shall make application not less than sixty (60) days before the event. The ABLE Commission shall have the authority to waive the sixty-day requirement at its discretion. For purposes of this paragraph, an event shall not exceed a period of three (3) consecutive days. A public event license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. A public event license shall not be used in lieu of a mixed beverage license. The holder of a onetime public event license may choose to utilize the services of a licensed caterer to provide and distribute the alcoholic beverages at his or her event. When the applicant chooses to utilize the services of a licensed caterer, the applicant shall declare upon

- application which licensed caterer will be used. The licensed

 caterer shall be responsible for payment of all applicable mixed

 beverage taxes through the existing Mixed Beverage Tax Permit issued

 to his or her business by the Oklahoma Tax Commission.
- 5 A hotel beverage license shall authorize the holder thereof: To sell or serve alcoholic beverages in 50 milliliter spirits, 187 6 7 milliliter wine, and 12-ounce malt beverage containers which are distributed from a hotel room mini-bar. A hotel beverage license 8 shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of 10 alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises 11 consumption has been authorized. A hotel beverage license shall 12 only be issued to a hotel or motel as defined by Section 506 of this 13 title which is also the holder of a mixed beverage license. 14 Provided, that application may be made simultaneously for both such 15 licenses. A separate license shall be required for each place of 16 business.
 - N. An airline/railroad beverage license shall authorize the holder thereof: To sell or serve alcoholic beverages in or from any size container on a commercial passenger airplane or railroad operated in compliance with a valid license, permit or certificate issued under the authority of the United States or this state, even though the airplane or train, in the course of its travel, may cross an area in which the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink is not authorized and to store alcoholic beverages in sealed

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containers of any size at any airport or station regularly served by the licensee, in accordance with rules promulgated by the Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission. Alcoholic beverages purchased by the holder of an airline/railroad license from the holder of a wholesaler license shall be presumed to be purchased for consumption outside the State of Oklahoma or in interstate commerce, and shall be exempt from the excise tax provided for in Section 553 of this title.

- O. An agent license shall authorize the holder thereof: To represent only the holders of licenses within this state, other than retailers, authorized to sell alcoholic beverages to retail dealers in Oklahoma, and to solicit and to take orders for the purchase of alcoholic beverages from retailers including licensees authorized to sell alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption. Such license shall be issued only to agents and employees of the holder of a license under the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, but no such license shall be required of an employee making sales of alcoholic beverages on licensed premises of the employee's principal. No person holding an agent license shall be entitled to a manufacturers agent license.
- P. An employee license shall authorize the holder thereof: To work in a package store, mixed beverage establishment, beer and wine establishment, bottle club, public event or any establishment where alcohol or alcoholic beverages are sold, mixed, or served. Persons

1 employed by a mixed beverage licensee, beer and wine licensee, public event licensee or a bottle club who do not participate in the 3 service, mixing, or sale of mixed beverages shall not be required to have an employee license. Provided, however, that a manager 5 employed by a mixed beverage licensee, public event licensee or a bottle club shall be required to have an employee license whether or 6 7 not the manager participates in the service, mixing or sale of mixed beverages. Applicants for an employee license must have a health 8 card issued by the county in which they are employed, if the county 10 issues such a card. Employees of special event, caterer, unless 11 catering a mixed beverage licensed premises, or airline/railroad 12 beverage licensees shall not be required to obtain an employee 13 license. Persons employed by a hotel licensee who participate in 14 the stocking of hotel room mini-bars or in the handling of alcoholic 15 beverages to be placed in such devices shall be required to have an 16 employee license.

- Q. An industrial license may be issued to persons desiring to import, transport, and use alcohol for the following purposes:
- Manufacture of patent, proprietary, medicinal,
 pharmaceutical, antiseptic, and toilet preparations;

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- 2. Manufacture of extracts, syrups, condiments, and food products; and
- 3. For use in scientific, chemical, mechanical, industrial, and medicinal products and purposes.

No other provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control
Act shall apply to alcohol intended for industrial, medical,
mechanical or scientific use.

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Any person receiving alcohol under authority of an industrial license who shall use, permit, or cause same to be used for purposes other than authorized purposes specified above, and all such alcohol, shall be liable to all provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, including payment of tax thereon.

No provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act shall apply to alcohol withdrawn by any person free of federal tax under a tax-free permit issued by the United States government, if such alcohol is received, stored, and used as authorized by federal laws.

- R. A carrier license may be issued to any common carrier operating under a certificate of convenience and necessity issued by any duly authorized federal or state regulatory agency. Such license shall authorize the holder thereof to transport alcoholic beverages other than wine sold directly by a winemaker or winery to a retail package store or restaurant into, within, and out of this state under such terms, conditions, limitations, and restrictions as the ABLE Commission may prescribe by order issuing such license and by regulations.
- S. A private carrier license may be issued to any carrier other than a common carrier described in subsection Q of this section.

Such license shall authorize the holder thereof to transport alcoholic beverages other than wine sold directly by a winemaker or winery to a retail package store or restaurant into, within, or out of this state under such terms, conditions, limitations, and restrictions as the ABLE Commission may prescribe by order issuing such license and by regulations. No carrier license or private carrier license shall be required of licensed brewers, distillers, winemakers, rectifiers, wholesalers, or Class B wholesalers, to transport alcoholic beverages from the place of purchase or acquisition to the licensed premises of such licensees and from such licensed premises to the licensed premises of the purchaser in vehicles owned or leased by such licensee when such transportation is for a lawful purpose and not for hire.

No carrier license or private carrier license shall be required of the holder of a package store, mixed beverage, caterer, special event, hotel beverage, public event or airline/railroad license to pick up alcoholic beverage orders from the licensees' wholesaler or Class B wholesaler from whom they are purchased, and to transport such alcoholic beverages from the place of purchase or acquisition to the licensed premise of such licensees in vehicles owned or under the control of such licensee or a licensed employee of such licensee under such terms, conditions, limitations and restrictions as the ABLE Commission may prescribe.

T. A bonded warehouse license shall authorize the holder thereof: To receive and store alcoholic beverages for the holders of storage licenses on the licensed premises of the bonded warehouse licensee. No goods, wares or merchandise other than alcoholic beverages may be stored in the same bonded warehouse with alcoholic beverages. The holder of a bonded warehouse license shall furnish and file with the ABLE Commission a bond running to all bailers of alcoholic beverages under proper storage licenses and their assignees (including mortgagees or other bona fide lienholders) conditioned upon faithful performance of the terms and conditions of such bailments.

- U. A storage license may be issued to a holder of a brewer, distiller, winemaker, rectifier, wholesaler, Class B wholesaler, nonresident seller, package store, mixed beverage, caterer, public event or hotel beverage license, and shall authorize the holder thereof: To store alcoholic beverages in a public warehouse holding a bonded warehouse license, and no goods, wares or merchandise other than alcoholic beverages may be stored in the same warehouse with alcoholic beverages in private warehouses owned or leased and operated by such licensees elsewhere than on their licensed premises. Provided:
- 1. A storage license issued to a Class B wholesaler shall permit the storage of light beer and permit the sale and delivery to retailers from the premises covered by such license;

2. Any licensee who is the holder of a mixed beverage/caterer combination license or the holder of a mixed beverage license and a hotel beverage license who is issued a storage license shall store all inventories of alcoholic beverages either on the premises of the mixed beverage establishment or in the warehouse;

- 3. A storage license shall not be required for a special event licensee storing alcoholic beverages for use at a subsequent event;
- 4. A storage license shall be required for a public event licensee storing alcoholic beverages for use at a subsequent event;
- 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection I of this section or any other provision of this title, a licensee who wholly owns more than one licensed mixed beverage establishment may store alcoholic beverages for each of the licensed establishments in one location under one storage license. Alcoholic beverages purchased and stored pursuant to the provisions of a storage license, for one licensed mixed beverage establishment may be transferred by a licensee to another licensed mixed beverage establishment which is wholly owned by the same licensee. Notice of such a transfer shall be given in writing to the Oklahoma Tax Commission and the ABLE Commission within three (3) business days of the transfer. The notice shall clearly show the quantity, brand and size of every transferred bottle or case.

V. A sacramental wine supplier license shall authorize the holder thereof: To sell, ship or deliver sacramental wine to any religious corporation or society of this state holding a valid exemption from taxation issued pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, 1986, and listed as an exempt organization in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 1986, of the United States, as amended.

W. A beer and wine license shall authorize the holder thereof:

To purchase beer and wine in retail containers from the holder of a wholesaler or Class B wholesaler license or as specifically provided by law and to sell, offer for sale and possess beer and wine for onpremises consumption only; provided, the holder of a beer and wine license issued for an establishment which is also a restaurant may purchase wine from a winemaker who is permitted and has elected to self-distribute as provided in Section 3 of Article XXVIII of the Oklahoma Constitution.

Sales and service of beer and wine by holders of beer and wine licenses shall be limited to the licensed premises of the licensee unless the holder of the beer and wine license also obtains a caterer license. A beer and wine license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. A separate license shall be required for each place of business. No beer and wine license shall be issued for any place of business

functioning as a motion picture theater, as defined by Section 506 of this title. No spirits shall be stored, possessed or consumed on the licensed premises of a beer and wine licensee.

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- X. A charitable auction or charitable alcoholic beverage event license may be issued to a charitable organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), or (19) of the United States Internal Revenue Code. The charitable alcoholic beverage event license shall authorize the holder thereof to conduct a wine, spirit and/or beer event which may consist of one or more of a wine, spirit and/or beer tasting event, a wine, spirit and/or beer dinner event or a wine, spirit and/or beer auction, which may be either a live auction conducted by an auctioneer or a silent auction for which:
- 1. Bid sheets are accepted from interested bidders at the event;
- 2. The holders of tickets are allowed to bid online for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days prior to the event; or
- 3. Both bid sheets are accepted at the event and online bids are accepted pursuant to paragraph 2 of this subsection.

A charitable alcoholic beverage event shall be conducted solely to raise funds for charitable purposes. A charitable alcoholic beverage license will allow the event attendees access to tastings, samples, dinners, and alcoholic beverages as parts of their entrance fee or ticket price. Wine, spirits and/or beer used in, served, or

consumed at a charitable alcoholic beverage event may be purchased by the charitable organization or donated by any person or entity. The charitable alcoholic beverage event license shall be issued for a period not exceeding four (4) days. Only eight such licenses may be issued to an organization in any twelve-month period. charitable organization holding a charitable alcoholic beverage event license shall not be required to obtain a special event license. Charitable auction and charitable alcoholic beverage event license holders may also utilize a licensed caterer to provide additional alcohol services at the event and on the premises. The charitable auction license shall authorize the holder thereof to auction wine, spirits, and/or beer purchased from a retail package store or received as a gift from an individual if the auction is conducted to raise funds for charitable purposes. The charitable auction license shall be issued for a period not to exceed two (2) days. Only four such licenses shall be issued to an organization in any twelve-month period. The maximum amount of wine, spirits, and/or beer auctioned pursuant to the charitable auction license shall not exceed fifty (50) gallons. All wine, beer, and spirits auctioned pursuant to the charitable auction license shall be registered and all fees and taxes shall be paid in accordance with the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act.

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Y. A mixed beverage/caterer combination license shall authorize the holder thereof: To purchase or sell mixed beverages as

specifically provided by law for the holder of a mixed beverage license or a caterer license. All provisions of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act applicable to mixed beverage licenses or caterer licenses, or the holders thereof, shall also be applicable to mixed beverage/caterer combination licenses or the holders thereof, except where specifically otherwise provided. A mixed beverage/caterer combination license shall only be issued in counties of this state where the sale of alcoholic beverages by the individual drink for on-premises consumption has been authorized. A separate license shall be required for each place of business.

A licensed mixed beverage/caterer licensee shall be authorized to sell mixed beverages for on-premises consumption incidental to the distribution of food at temporary private functions, at temporary public events that are licensed and approved by the ABLE Commission, and on the premises of a mixed beverage licensee whose main purpose is the hosting of live art presentations and is not open to the public more than one hundred twenty (120) days per year.

thereof: To manufacture and bottle wines produced by that small farm winery. In addition, a small farm winery license authorizes the holder of that permit to bottle and sell wines produced by another small farm winery. In order for a small farm winery to bottle and sell another small farm winery to selling winery and the buying winery shall be small farm winery

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permit holders. A small farm wine may display the trademarked

"Oklahoma Grown" sticker available from the Oklahoma Grape Industry

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AA. In the event any portion of this section is declared invalid for any reason, the invalid portion shall be severed and the rest and remainder of the section shall be saved and given full force and application.

AA. BB. Except as provided in Sections 554.1 and 554.2 of this title with respect to cities, towns and counties, and except as may be provided under Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes with respect to the Oklahoma Tax Commission, no license or permit other than licenses as provided under the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act shall be required of any licensee by any agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of this state to engage in any activity covered by the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Control Act anywhere within the State of Oklahoma and no agency, instrumentality or political subdivision of this state shall interfere with the ABLE Commission's regulation of, or a wholesaler's performance of, the sale, distribution, possession, handling or marketing of alcoholic beverages on any premises of any licensee as defined in Section 506 of this title.

SECTION 18. REPEALER 37 O.S. 2011, Section 521, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 48, O.S.L. 2015 (37 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 521), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 19. AMENDATORY 46 O.S. 2011, Section 15, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 175, O.S.L. 2015 (46 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 15), is amended to read as follows:

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Section 15. A. Any mortgage on real estate shall be released by the holder of any such mortgage within fifty (50) thirty (30) days of the payment of the debt secured by the mortgage and the holder of the mortgage shall file the release of the mortgage with the county clerk where the mortgage is recorded. If, at the end of the fifty-day thirty-day period, the holder has failed to release the mortgage, the mortgagor may at any time request in writing the holder of the mortgage to release the mortgage and the holder of the mortgage shall have ten (10) days from the date of the request to release such mortgage. If the holder of the mortgage fails to release the mortgage by the end of such ten-day period, the mortgage holder shall then forfeit and pay to the mortgagor a penalty of one percent (1%) of the principal debt not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day each day the release is not recorded after the ten-day period has expired and the penalty shall be recovered in a civil action in any court having jurisdiction thereof, but the request for the release shall be in writing and describe the mortgage and premises with reasonable certainty. Provided that, the total penalty shall not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the total principal debt.

- B. A title insurance company or its duly appointed agent may bring action on behalf of the mortgagor to recover the penalty described in subsection A of this section.
 - C. For purposes of this section:

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- 1. "Mortgagor" shall include any subsequent purchaser of the mortgaged real estate; and
- 2. "Title insurance company" shall mean a corporation or other business entity authorized and licensed to transact business of insuring titles to interests in real property in this state.
- SECTION 20. REPEALER 46 O.S. 2011, Section 15, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 177, O.S.L. 2015 (46 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 15), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 21. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1107, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 223, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1107), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 1107. A. In the event of the sale or transfer of the ownership of a vehicle for which a certificate of title has been issued as provided by Section 1105 of this title, the holder of such certificate shall endorse on the back of same a complete assignment thereof with warranty of title in form printed thereon with a statement of all liens or encumbrances on the vehicle, sworn to before a notary public or some other person authorized by law to take acknowledgments, and deliver same to the purchaser or transferee at the time of delivery to the purchaser or transferee of

the vehicle; provided, a transfer of the ownership of a vehicle to an insurer resulting from the settlement of a total loss claim shall not require a notarized signature on the certificate of title. purchaser or transferee, unless such person is a bona fide used motor vehicle dealer licensed by this state, a retail implement dealer in connection with the purchase or transfer of off-road vehicles or a charitable organization shall, within thirty (30) days from the time of delivery to the purchaser or transferee of the vehicle, present the assigned certificate of title and the insurance security verification to the vehicle to the Oklahoma Tax Commission, or one of its motor license agents, accompanied by a fee of Eleven Dollars (\$11.00), together with any motor vehicle excise tax or license fee that may be due, whereupon a new certificate of title, shall be issued to the assignee. One Dollar (\$1.00) of each fee shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund. Any charitable organization utilizing the exemption authorized by this subsection shall receive training as prescribed by the Oklahoma Used Motor Vehicle and Parts Commission.

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B. A licensed dealer, a retail implement dealer in connection with the sale or disposal of off-road vehicles or a charitable organization shall, on selling or otherwise disposing of a vehicle, execute and deliver to the purchaser thereof the certificate of title properly and completely reassigned. Thereupon, the purchaser of the vehicle shall present the reassigned certificate to the

Commission, or a motor license agent, accompanied by a fee of Eleven Dollars (\$11.00), and any motor vehicle excise tax or license fee that may be due, whereupon a new certificate of title will be issued to the purchaser. One Dollar (\$1.00) of each fee shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund. The certificate, when so assigned and returned to the Commission, together with any subsequent assignment or reissue thereof, shall be appropriately filed and indexed so that at all times it will be possible to trace title to the vehicle designated therein. Provided, when the ownership of any motor vehicle shall pass by operation of law, the person owning the vehicle may, upon furnishing satisfactory proof to the Commission of ownership, procure a title to the motor vehicle, regardless of whether a certificate of title has ever been issued. The dealer shall execute and deliver to the purchaser bills of sale on forms prescribed by the Commission for all new vehicles sold by the dealer. On presentation of a bill of sale executed on forms prescribed by the Commission, by a manufacturer or dealer for a new vehicle sold in this state, accompanied by remittance in the sum of Eleven Dollars (\$11.00), together with any motor vehicle excise tax or license fee that may be due, a certificate of title shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. One Dollar (\$1.00) of each fee shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund. purposes of this subsection, "charitable organization" shall mean

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any organization which is exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3) and which is registered as a charitable organization with the Oklahoma Secretary of State and the Oklahoma Attorney General's office; "off-road vehicles" means all-terrain vehicles, utility vehicles, and motorcycles used exclusively for off-road use; "retail implement dealer" means a business engaged primarily in the sale of farm tractors as defined in Section 1-118 of this title or implements of husbandry as defined in Section 1-125 of this title or a combination thereof.

C. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon the first conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), with impoundment of the vehicle until all taxes and fees are paid. A second or subsequent conviction shall be punished by a fine not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), with impoundment of the vehicle until all taxes and fees are paid. If a vehicle is impounded pursuant to the provisions of this section, the vehicle shall not be released to the owner until the owner provides proof of security or an affidavit that the vehicle will not be used on public highways or public streets, as required pursuant to Section 7-600 et seq. of this title. Each vehicle involved in a violation of this section shall be considered a separate offense.

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        SECTION 22.
                        REPEALER 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1107, as
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    last amended by Section 1, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp.
    2015, Section 1135.3), is amended to read as follows:
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        Section 1135.3 A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission is hereby
    authorized to design and issue appropriate official special license
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    plates to persons wishing to demonstrate support, interest, or
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    membership to or for an organization, occupation, cause or other
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    subject as provided by this section.
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        Special license plates shall not be transferred to any other
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    on another vehicle but only after such other vehicle has been
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    registered for the current year.
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        Special license plates shall be renewed each year by the Tax
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    Commission or a motor license agent. The Tax Commission shall
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    annually notify by mail all persons issued special license plates.
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    instructions for the renewal procedure upon presentation to a motor
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    license agent or the Tax Commission. The license plates shall be
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    issued on a staggered system.
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The Tax Commission is hereby directed to develop and implement a system whereby motor license agents are permitted to accept applications for special license plates authorized under this section. The motor license agent shall confirm the applicant's eligibility, if applicable, collect and deposit any amount specifically authorized by law, accept and process the necessary information directly into such system and generate a receipt accordingly. For performance of these duties, motor license agents shall retain the fee provided in Section 1141.1 of this title for registration of a motor vehicle. The motor license agent fees for acceptance of applications and renewals shall be paid out of the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.

If fewer than one hundred of any type of special license plates authorized prior to January 1, 2004, are issued prior to January 1, 2006, the Tax Commission shall discontinue issuance and renewal of that type of special license plate. Any such authorized special license plate registrant shall be allowed to display the license plate upon the designated vehicle until the registration expiration date. After such time the expired special license plate shall be removed from the vehicle.

Except as otherwise provided in this section, for special license plates authorized on or after July 1, 2004, no special license plates shall be developed or issued by the Tax Commission until the Commission receives one hundred (100) prepaid applications

therefor. The prepaid applications must be received by the Tax Commission within one hundred eighty (180) days of the effective date of the authorization or the authority to issue shall be null and void. In the event one hundred (100) prepaid applications are not received by the Tax Commission within such prescribed time period any payment so received shall be refunded accordingly.

- B. The special license plates provided by this section are as follows:
- 1. Round and Square Dance License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for round and square dancing;
- 2. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to the criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the NAACP, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the NAACP;
- 3. National Rifle Association License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to the criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the National Rifle Association, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the National Rifle Association;
- 4. Masonic Fraternity License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of a Masonic Fraternity of Oklahoma. Such persons may apply for a Masonic Fraternity license plate for each vehicle with a rated

carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of a Masonic

Fraternity membership or upon the presentment of an application for

Masonic Fraternity license plate authorized and approved by the

Grand Lodge of Oklahoma. The license plates shall be designed in

consultation with the Masonic Fraternities of Oklahoma and shall

contain the Masonic emblem;

- 5. Shriner's Hospitals for Burned and Crippled Children License Plates such plates shall be designed to demonstrate support for Shriner's Hospitals for Burned and Crippled Children and shall be issued to any resident of this state who is a member of a Shriner's Temple in Oklahoma. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Shriner's Temples in Oklahoma and shall contain the Shriner's emblem;
- 6. Balloonists License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for hot air ballooning in this state;
- 7. Order of the Eastern Star License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of an Order of the Eastern Star. Such persons may apply for an Order of the Eastern Star license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of an Order of the Eastern Star membership or upon the presentment of an application for an Order of the Eastern Star license plate authorized and approved by the organization. The license plate

shall be designed in consultation with the Order of the Eastern Star and shall contain the Order of the Eastern Star emblem;

- 8. Knights of Columbus License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of the Knights of Columbus. Such persons may apply for a Knights of Columbus license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of a Knights of Columbus membership or upon the presentment of an application for a Knights of Columbus license plate authorized and approved by the organization. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Knights of Columbus and shall contain the Knights of Columbus emblem;
- 9. Jaycees License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to members of the Jaycees. Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of membership in the Jaycees. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Jaycees;
- 10. Ducks Unlimited License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for Ducks Unlimited. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with Ducks Unlimited;
- 11. Kiwanis International License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to members of Kiwanis International. Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of membership in

Kiwanis International. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with Kiwanis International;

- 12. Certified Public Accountants License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a Certified Public Accountant. Such persons may apply for a Certified Public Accountant license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of status as a Certified Public Accountant. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants;
- 13. Civil Emergency Management License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the state civil emergency management system. Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of official affiliation by presenting a nonexpired proof of employment, affiliation or retirement in the form of an identification card or letter on official letterhead from a municipal, county or state emergency management department head;
- 14. Civilian Conservation Corps License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission, by the Civilian Conservation Corps Association, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support of the Civilian Conservation Corps;

15. Rotarian License Plates - such plates shall be designed and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of a Rotarian Club of Oklahoma. Such persons may apply for a Rotarian license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of a Rotarian Club membership or upon the presentment of an application for a Rotarian license plate authorized and approved by a Rotarian Club of Oklahoma. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the five Rotarian District Governors and shall contain the Rotarian emblem;

- 16. Benevolent Protective Order of Elks such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission, by the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks;
- 17. Humane Society License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Humane Society of the United States. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The plate shall contain the official Humane Society logo;
- 18. Oklahoma Mustang Club such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission, by the Oklahoma Mustang Club, and issued to any resident of this state who is a member of the Oklahoma Mustang Club. Such persons may apply

for an Oklahoma Mustang Club license plate upon presentment of proof
of membership in the Oklahoma Mustang Club. The plates shall be
issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from
one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates;

- 19. American Business Clubs (AMBUCS) License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to members of American Business Clubs. Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of membership in AMBUCS. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with American Business Clubs;
- 20. West Point 200th Anniversary License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to commemorate the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the West Point Society of Central Oklahoma;
- 21. Oklahoma Aquarium License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Aquarium. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Aquarium;
- 22. The Pride of Broken Arrow License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for The Pride of Broken Arrow marching band. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the Broken Arrow Public School System;

23. Fellowship of Christian Athletes License Plates - such plates shall be designed in consultation with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and issued to members and supporters of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes;

- 24. Parrothead Club License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to members and supporters of the Parrothead Club. The license plate shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven as for personalized license plates;
- 25. Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of the Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Bicycling Coalition;
- 26. Electric Lineman License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for Oklahoma's electric linemen. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Electric Superintendent's Association;
- 27. Alpha Kappa Alpha License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority;

28. The National Pan-Hellenic Council Incorporated License

Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person

wishing to demonstrate support to any of the nine sororities and

fraternities recognized by the National Pan-Hellenic Council

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with the Oklahoma Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council

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- 29. Organ, Eye and Tissue License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support and increase awareness for organ, eye and tissue donation. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the State Department of Health;
- 30. Central Oklahoma Habitat for Humanity License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support and increase awareness for Habitat for Humanity. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with Central Oklahoma Habitat for Humanity;
- 31. Family Career and Community Leaders of America Incorporated License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for Family Career and Community Leaders of America Incorporated. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with Family Career and Community Leaders of America Incorporated;

32. Delta Sigma Theta License Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated;

- 33. Omega Psi Phi License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated;
- 34. Alpha Phi Alpha License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated;
- 35. 50th Anniversary of the Interstate System of Highways

 License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons

 wishing to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Interstate System

 of Highways. The license plates shall be designed in consultation

 with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation

 Officials;
- 36. Kappa Alpha Psi License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation

with the Oklahoma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity
Incorporated;

- 37. Sigma Gamma Rho License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Incorporated.

 Subject to the provisions of subsection A of this section, the Sigma Gamma Rho License Plate is hereby reauthorized effective November 1, 2013;
- 38. Multiple Sclerosis License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for and increase awareness of multiple sclerosis. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society;
- 39. Frederick Douglass High School License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Frederick Douglass High School located in Oklahoma City. The plates shall be designed in consultation with representatives of Frederick Douglass High School National Alumni Association;
- 40. United States Air Force Academy License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the United States Air Force Academy;

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41. In God We Trust License Plate - such plates shall be designed to include the motto, "In God We Trust", and shall be issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the motto;

- 42. National Weather Center License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the National Weather Center in Norman. The plates shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the National Weather Center Directors;
- 43. Make-A-Wish Foundation License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of the National Make-A-Wish Foundation;
- 44. South Central Section PGA Foundation License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the South Central Section PGA Foundation.

 The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the South Central Section PGA Foundation:
- 45. Putnam City High School License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Putnam City High School. The plates shall be designed in consultation with representatives of Putnam City High School Alumni Association, Inc.;

46. Autism Awareness License Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to increase awareness of autism. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Autism Network;

- 47. Oklahoma Blood Institute License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Blood Institute. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Blood Institute;
- 48. Zeta Phi Beta and Phi Beta Sigma License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority or Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma chapters of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated;
- 49. Star Spencer High School License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Star Spencer High School located in Oklahoma City. The plates shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the Star Spencer High School Alumni Association. Subject to the provisions of subsection A of this section, the Star Spencer High School License Plate is hereby reauthorized effective November 1, 2015;
- 50. Northeast High School License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Northeast High School located in Oklahoma City. The plates shall be

designed in consultation with representatives of the Northeast High
School Alumni Association;

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- 51. Oklahoma City Central High School License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma City Central High School Alumni Association. The plates shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the Oklahoma City Central High School Alumni Association;
- 52. Historic Greenwood District License Plate such plates shall be issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for music festivals held in the Historic Greenwood District in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Greenwood Cultural Center;
- 53. Oklahoma Rifle Association License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Rifle Association. The plates shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the Oklahoma Rifle Association;
- 54. Oklahoma City Thunder License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma City Thunder. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma City Thunder organization;
- 55. Ovarian Cancer Awareness License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to increase awareness

of ovarian cancer. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the HOPE in Oklahoma organization;

- 56. BMW Car Club of America License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the BMW Car Club of America. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Sunbelt Chapter of the BMW Car Club of America. Subject to the provisions of subsection A of this section, the BMW Car Club of America License Plate is hereby reauthorized effective November 1, 2013;
- 57. Don't Tread On Me License Plate such plates shall be designed to include the yellow background and rattlesnake emblem above the motto "DON'T TREAD ON ME" as found on the historic Gadsden flag, and shall be issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the freedom and liberty of the Republic;
- 58. Oklahomans for the Arts License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for arts, culture and creative industries as well as arts education. The plates shall be designed in consultation with Oklahomans for the Arts;
- 59. Oklahoma City Barons License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma City Barons. The license plate shall be designed in

1 consultation with the Oklahoma City Barons organization. The
2 license plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of
3 numbers and letters from one to a maximum of six;

- 60. Oklahoma City Redhawks License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma City Redhawks. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma City Redhawks organization;
- 61. Tulsa Shock License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Tulsa Shock. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Tulsa Shock organization;
- 62. Tulsa Oilers License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Tulsa Oilers. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Tulsa Oilers organization;
- 63. Tulsa Drillers License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Tulsa Drillers. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Tulsa Drillers organization;
- 64. Millwood School District License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Millwood School District. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the Millwood School District;

65. Booker T. Washington High School License Plate - such plates shall be issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for Booker T. Washington High School and shall be designed in consultation with the Booker T. Washington High School National Alumni Association;

- 66. Oklahoma Current State Flag License Plate such plates shall be designed to include the current Oklahoma state flag and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the current Oklahoma state flag. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the Friends of the Oklahoma History Center;
- 67. Oklahoma Original State Flag License Plate such plates shall be designed to include the original Oklahoma state flag and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the original Oklahoma state flag. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the Friends of the Oklahoma History Center. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized plates. Subject to the provisions of subsection A of this section, the Oklahoma Original State Flag license plate is hereby reauthorized effective November 1, 2015;
- 68. Tulsa 66ers License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Tulsa 66ers. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the Tulsa 66ers Organization;

69. Jenks Trojans License Plate - such plates shall be issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for Jenks School District and shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the Jenks School District;

- 70. Frederick Bombers License Plate such plates shall be issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the Frederick School District and shall be designed in consultation with representatives of the Frederick School District; and
- 71. 911 Dispatcher License Plate such plates shall be issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for 911 dispatchers.

 Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of current employment as a 911 dispatcher or sign an attestation that they are a currently employed or retired 911 dispatcher.
- C. The fee for such plates shall be Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) and shall be in addition to all other registration fees provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. Unless otherwise provided in this section, the fee shall be apportioned as follows: Eight Dollars (\$8.00) of the special license plate fee shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund to be used for the administration of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act and the remaining Seven Dollars (\$7.00) of the special license plate fee shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104 of this title.

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                        REPEALER 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1135.3, as
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    2015, Section 1135.3), is hereby repealed.
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        SECTION 25.
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    last amended by Section 2, Chapter 378, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp.
    2015, Section 1135.5), is amended to read as follows:
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    on another vehicle but only after such other vehicle has been
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    registered for the current year with a motor license agent.
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        Special license plates shall be renewed each year by the Tax
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system whereby motor license agents are permitted to accept

applications for special license plates authorized under this section. The motor license agent shall confirm the applicant's eligibility, if applicable, collect and deposit any amount specifically authorized by law, accept and process the necessary information directly into such system and generate a receipt accordingly. For performance of these duties, motor license agents shall retain the fee provided in Section 1141.1 of this title for registration of a motor vehicle. The motor license agent fees for acceptance of applications and renewals shall be paid out of the Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund.

If fewer than one hundred of any type of special license plates authorized prior to January 1, 2004, are issued prior to January 1, 2006, the Tax Commission shall discontinue issuance and renewal of that type of special license plate. Any such authorized special license plate registrant shall be allowed to display the license plate upon the designated vehicle until the registration expiration date. After such time the expired special license plate shall be removed from the vehicle.

For special license plates authorized on or after July 1, 2004, no special license plates shall be developed or issued by the Tax Commission until the Commission receives one hundred prepaid applications therefor. The prepaid applications must be received by the Tax Commission within one hundred eighty (180) days of the effective date of the authorization or the authority to issue shall

be null and void. In the event one hundred prepaid applications are not received by the Tax Commission within such prescribed time period any payment so received shall be refunded accordingly.

- B. The special license plates provided by this section are as follows:
- 1. University or College Supporter License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support to any state-supported or private university or college. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104.1 of this title;
- 2. Environmental Awareness License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to the criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the Department of Environmental Quality in consultation with the Oklahoma Arts Council, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support to implement the statewide general public environmental education program created pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Environmental Quality Code. Such plates shall be designed and issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. A dealer's license plate issued pursuant to Section 1116.1 or 1128 of this title may be designated an Environmental Awareness License Plate upon payment of the fee imposed by this section and any other registration fees required by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. As provided in

this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned pursuant to Section 1104.2 of this title;

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3. Firefighter License Plates - such plates shall be designed for any career or retired firefighter, volunteer or paid. Firefighters may apply for firefighter plates for up to four vehicles with a rated capacity of one (1) ton or less or for a motorcycle upon proof of a fire department membership by either an identification card or letter from the chief of the fire department. Retirees who are eligible for such plates shall provide proof of eligibility upon initial application, but shall not be required to provide proof of eligibility annually. The surviving spouse of any deceased firefighter, if the spouse has not since remarried, may apply for a firefighter license plate for one vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less or for a motorcycle upon proof that the deceased firefighter was a member of a fire department by either an identification card or letter from the chief of the fire department. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Firefighters Association.

As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited to the Oklahoma State Firemen's Museum Building & Memorial Fund for support of the Oklahoma Firefighters Museum and the Oklahoma Firefighter Fallen and Living Memorial;

4. Wildlife Conservation License Plates - such plates shall be designed, subject to the criteria to be presented to the Tax

Commission by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation in consultation with the Oklahoma Arts Council, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for wildlife conservation in this state through the Wildlife Diversity Fund, provided for in Section 3-310 of Title 29 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Such plates may be designed and issued to any person as for personalized license plates.

As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned pursuant to subsection D of Section 3-310 of Title 29 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

5. Child Abuse Prevention License Plates - such plates shall be designed, subject to the criteria to be presented to the Tax

Commission by the Office of Child Abuse Prevention in the State

Department of Health and the Oklahoma Committee to Prevent Child

Abuse, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the prevention of child abuse.

As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Child Abuse Prevention Fund;

6. United States Olympic Committee Supporter License Plates - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the United States Olympic Committee. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The plate shall contain the official United States

- Olympic Committee logo. The Tax Commission shall be authorized, if
 necessary, to enter into a licensing agreement with the United

 States Olympic Committee for any licensing fees which may be
 required in order to use the United States Olympic Committee logo or
 design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment of not
 more than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each license plate
 issued;
 - 7. Oklahoma History License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate interest in Oklahoma history. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited to the Oklahoma Historical Society Revolving Fund to be used for educational purposes;

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- 8. Historic Route 66 License Plates such plates shall be designed to honor historic Route 66, also known as the "Mother Road". As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned to the Oklahoma Historical Society Revolving Fund to be distributed to the Route 66 Museum located in Clinton, Oklahoma;
- 9. Heart of the Heartland License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to honor the victims of the terrorist bombing attack on the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in downtown Oklahoma City on April 19, 1995. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited

in the Heart of the Heartland Scholarship Fund, as established in Section 2282 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

- 10. Emergency Medical Technician License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person who is an emergency medical technician. Such persons may apply for an emergency medical technician license plate for each vehicle with a rated carrying capacity of one (1) ton or less upon proof of an emergency medical technician's license. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the state association of emergency medical technicians. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned to the Emergency Medical Technician Death Benefit Revolving Fund created in Section 1-2505.2 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 11. Fight Breast Cancer License Plates such plates shall be designed to demonstrate support for the prevention and treatment of breast cancer in this state. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned to the Breast Cancer Act Revolving Fund;
- 12. Crime Victims Awareness License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate awareness of and support for victims of crimes. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Crime Victims Centre. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned to the Attorney General's Revolving Fund for

the Office of the Attorney General, which is hereby directed to use such funds to contract with a statewide nonprofit organization to provide services to crime victims;

- 13. Oklahoma Safe Kids Association License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support and awareness of the Oklahoma Safe Kids Association. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Safe Kids Association. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Children's Hospital Oklahoma Safe Kids Association Revolving Fund to be distributed to the Oklahoma Safe Kids Association program;
- 14. Four-H Club License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the Four-H Foundation, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support of the Four-H Club. Such plates may be designed and issued to any person as for personalized license plates. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned to the OSU Extension Service License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.4 of this title;
- 15. Agricultural Awareness License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission, by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in consultation with the Oklahoma Arts Council, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support of the Department's Ag

in the Classroom Education Program. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104.3 of this title;

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- 16. Oklahoma Statehood Centennial License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to commemorate the centennial of Oklahoma's admission to statehood in 1907. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Capitol Complex and Centennial Commemoration Commission. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Capitol Complex and Centennial Commemoration Commission Revolving Fund created in Section 98.5 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 17. Support Education License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the State Department of Education in consultation with the Oklahoma Arts Council, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for education in this state. All motor license agents shall display a sample of the Support Education License plate in the area of the business accessed by the public. Twenty-three Dollars (\$23.00) of the fee collected shall be apportioned as follows:
 - a. five percent (5%) shall be deposited to the Education Reform Revolving Fund,

b. five percent (5%) shall be deposited to the Higher Education Revolving Fund,

- c. five percent (5%) shall be deposited to the State Career Technology Fund, and
- d. eighty-five percent (85%) of the fee shall be deposited to the Teachers' Retirement Benefit Fund as set forth in Section 17-108 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

However, when the Teachers' Retirement Benefit Fund attains a seventy percent (70%) funded ratio based on an annual actuarial valuation as required by law, the amount of the fee shall be apportioned equally pursuant to subparagraphs a, b and c of this paragraph;

18. Retired Oklahoma Highway Patrol Officers License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any retired officer of
the Oklahoma Highway Patrol. The license plate shall have the
legend "Oklahoma" and shall contain, in the center of the plate, the
Highway Patrol Officers patch using the same colors and pattern as
used in the patch. Centered on the bottom of the license plate
shall be the word "Retired". The letters "TRP" shall be used in
combination with three numbers on either side of the insignia or
emblem. The color of the letters and numbers shall be brown.
Retirees who are eligible for such plates shall provide proof of
eligibility upon initial application, but shall not be required to

provide proof of eligibility annually. The surviving spouse of any deceased retired officer of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, if the spouse has not since remarried, or if remarried, the remarriage is terminated by death, divorce, or annulment, may apply for a Retired Oklahoma Highway Patrol Officers license plate. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited into the Law Enforcement Retirement Fund;

- 19. Boy Scouts of America Supporter License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Boy Scouts of America. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The plate shall contain the official Boy Scouts of America logo. The Tax Commission shall be authorized, if necessary, to enter into a licensing agreement with the Boy Scouts of America for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the Boy Scouts of America logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Boy Scouts of America of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued;
- 20. Urban Forestry and Beautification License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission, by the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry in consultation with nonprofit organizations in this state that develop and operate programs to encourage urban forestry and

beautification, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support of such programs. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104.5 of this title;

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- 21. Oklahoma State Parks Supporter License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma state parks system. Twenty-three Dollars (\$23.00) of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department Revolving Fund. Such money shall be designated for and may only be expended for the support of Oklahoma state parks;
- 22. Adoption Creates Families License Plates such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support of pregnant women who are committed to placing their children for adoption and wishing to provide assistance to guardians, adoptive parents and other created families to assist in the adoption and placement of children in permanent, safe homes. The license plates shall be designed and final terminology delivered in consultation with the Oklahoma Adoption Coalition and the Department of Human Services. Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of the fee collected shall be deposited in a revolving fund established in the State Treasury for and to be used by the Department of Human Services for the

implementation of the Investing in Stronger Oklahoma Families Act specifically for created families;

- 23. Choose Life License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria presented to the Tax Commission, by Choose Life, Inc., and issued to any person who wishes to demonstrate support of organizations that encourage adoption as a positive choice for women with unplanned pregnancies. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Choose Life Assistance Program Revolving Fund established in Section 1104.6 of this title;
 - 24. Future Farmers of America License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma FFA (formerly known as Future Farmers of America). The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma FFA Foundation Board of Directors. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104.7 of this title;
 - 25. Lions Club License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the Lions Club of Oklahoma. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation and shall contain the official logo of the International Association

- of Lions Clubs. The Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter
 into a licensing agreement with the Oklahoma Lions Service

 Foundation. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to
 the Oklahoma Lions Service Foundation of not more than Ten Dollars
- 5 (\$10.00) for each license plate issued;

- 26. Color Oklahoma License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax Commission by the Oklahoma Native Plant Society, and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for preserving and planting wildflowers and native plants in Oklahoma and to promote Oklahoma's wildflower heritage through education. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be apportioned as provided in Section 1104.8 of this title;
 - 27. Girl Scouts of the United States of America Supporter
 License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any
 person wishing to demonstrate support for the Girl Scouts of the
 United States of America. The plates shall be issued to any person
 in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of
 seven, as for personalized license plates. The plate shall contain
 the official Girl Scouts of the United States of America logo. The
 Tax Commission shall be authorized, if necessary, to enter into a
 licensing agreement with the Girl Scouts of the United States of
 America for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use
 the Girl Scouts of the United States of America logo or design. The

licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Girl Scouts
of Magic Empire Council, acting on behalf of all Oklahoma Girl Scout
councils, of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license
plate issued;

- 28. Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon. The plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon. The Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter into a licensing agreement with the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued;
- 29. Oklahoma Scenic Rivers License Plate such plates shall be designed to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Scenic Rivers. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Scenic Rivers Commission. Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) of the fee shall be apportioned to the Oklahoma Scenic Rivers Commission;
- 30. Fight Cancer License Plate such plates shall be designed to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Central Cancer Registry.

 The plate shall contain the American Cancer Society logo. The American Cancer Society logo shall be used in accordance with the

American Cancer Society's branding guidelines and shall only be

utilized to support the Oklahoma Central Cancer Registry. Twenty

Dollars (\$20.00) of the fee shall be apportioned to the Oklahoma

Central Cancer Registry Revolving Fund;

- 31. Animal Friendly License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for controlling the overpopulation of dogs and cats through educational and sterilization efforts. The plates shall be designed in consultation with the Veterinary Medical Association. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) of the fee collected shall be designated by the purchaser of the plate to be deposited in the Oklahoma Pet Overpopulation Fund created in Section 2368.13 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes or the Animal Friendly Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.10 of this title;
- 32. Patriot License Plate such plates shall be designed in consultation with the Military Department of Oklahoma and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Oklahoma residents who are members of the Oklahoma National Guard and deployed on active duty. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. As provided in this section, a portion of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Patriot License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.11 of this title;

33. Global War on Terrorism License Plate - such plate shall be designed in consultation with the Military Department of Oklahoma and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Oklahoma residents who are members of the Armed Forces of the United States or Oklahoma National Guard that have served in the Global War on Terrorism. The plate shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of six. As provided in this section, a portion of the fee collected shall be deposited in the 45th Infantry Division Museum Fund created in Section 235.1 of Title 44 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

34. Boys and Girls Clubs of America Supporter License Plates - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. The plate shall contain the official Boys and Girls Clubs of America logo. The Tax Commission, if necessary, may enter into a licensing agreement with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the Boys and Girls Clubs of America logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Boys and Girls Clubs of America of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued;

- 35. Oklahoma Quarter Horse License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the American Quarter Horse in Oklahoma. The plate shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Quarter Horse Association. As provided in this section, a portion of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Quarter Horse Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.12 of this title;
- 36. Oklahoma Association for the Deaf License Plate such plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Association for the Deaf and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Oklahoma residents who are deaf. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to maximum of seven, as for personalized license plates. As provided in this section, a portion of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Association for the Deaf License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.15 of this title;
- 37. Oklahoma City Zoo License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma City Zoo. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Zoological Society, Inc. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Zoological Society Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.13 of this title;

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38. March of Dimes License Plate - such plates shall be issued to persons wishing to demonstrate support for the March of Dimes mission to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter March of Dimes. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Prevent Birth Defects, Premature Birth and Infant Mortality Fund established in Section 1104.14 of this title;

- 39. Support Our Troops Supporter License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Support Our Troops Incorporated. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of six. The plate shall contain the official Support Our Troops Incorporated logo which includes the mark "Support Our Troops" across the bottom of the plate. The Tax Commission, if necessary, may enter into a licensing agreement with Support Our Troops Incorporated for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the Support Our Troops Incorporated logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to Support Our Troops Incorporated of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each license plate issued;
- 40. Folds of Honor Supporter License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Folds of Honor Incorporated, a nonprofit charitable organization

1 exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), providing academic and 3 vocational training scholarships to dependents of military servicemen and servicewomen who were either killed or wounded in 5 action due to military service in the war in Iraq or Afghanistan. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of 6 7 numbers and letters from one to a maximum of six. The plate shall be designed in consultation with Folds of Honor Incorporated and shall contain the official Folds of Honor Incorporated logo which 10 includes the mark "Folds of Honor" across the bottom of the plate. 11 The Tax Commission, if necessary, may enter into a licensing 12 agreement with Folds of Honor Incorporated for any licensing fees 13 which may be required in order to use the Folds of Honor 14 Incorporated logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide 15 for a payment to Folds of Honor Incorporated of Twenty-five Dollars 16 (\$25.00) for each license plate issued;

41. Downed Bikers Association License Plate - such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Downed Bikers Association, a nonprofit charitable organization exempt from taxation pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 501(c)(3), which provides emotional and financial support for downed bikers. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Central Oklahoma Chapter of the Downed Bikers Association and shall contain any

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official logo or design of the organization. The Tax Commission, if
necessary, may enter into a licensing agreement with the Downed
Bikers Association for any licensing fees which may be required in
order to use the organization's logo or design. The licensing
agreement shall provide for a payment to the Downed Bikers
Association of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each
license plate;

- 42. Armed Forces Veterans Motorcycle License Plate such plates shall be designed for use on a motorcycle in consultation with A Brotherhood Aiming Toward Education of Oklahoma, Inc. (ABATE), and issued to any honorably discharged former member of the United States Armed Forces wishing to demonstrate support for the 45th Infantry Division Museum. Persons applying for such license plate must show proof of past military service. As provided in this section, a portion of the fee collected shall be deposited in the 45th Infantry Division Museum Fund created in Section 235.1 of Title 44 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 43. Buffalo Soldier License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to honor and celebrate the history and contribution of the Buffalo Soldiers. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Lawton-Fort Sill Chapter of the Buffalo Soldiers 9th and 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be

- deposited in the Buffalo Soldier License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.16 of this title;
- 3 44. Prevent Blindness Oklahoma License Plate such plates
 4 shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support
 5 for vision screening of school age children in this state. The
 6 license plates shall be designed in consultation with Prevent
 7 Blindness Oklahoma. As provided in this section, an amount of the
 8 fee collected shall be deposited in the Prevent Blindness Oklahoma
 9 License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.17 of this
 10 title;

- 45. Oklahoma State Capitol Restoration License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for restoration of the Oklahoma State Capitol building. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Friends of the Capitol corporation, created pursuant to Section 15.4 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the State Capitol Preservation Commission created pursuant to Section 4102 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Friends of the Capitol License Plate Revolving Fund established in Section 1104.18 of this title;
- 46. Eastern Red Cedar Tree License Plates such plates shall be designed, subject to criteria to be presented to the Tax

 Commission and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support

for the removal of Eastern Red Cedar trees from lands in the state and to develop marketable uses for the harvested trees. The license plate shall be designed in consultation with the Eastern Red Cedar Registry Board. Twenty-three Dollars (\$23.00) of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Eastern Red Cedar Revolving Fund created in Section 18-407 of Title 2 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The money shall be designated for and may only be expended for the purposes as set forth in the Eastern Red Cedar Registry Board Act;

- 47. Pancreatic Cancer Research License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the University of Oklahoma Foundation, Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund. The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of six. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the University of Oklahoma Foundation, Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Pancreatic Cancer Research License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.19 of this title;
- 48. Alzheimer's Research License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the Oklahoma Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Alzheimer's Research

1 License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.20 of this 2 title;

- 49. Hospice and Palliative Care License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the Oklahoma Hospice and Palliative Care Association. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Hospice and Palliative Care Association. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Hospice and Palliative Care License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.21 of this title;
- 50. Juvenile Diabetes Research License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the Oklahoma Chapters of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Chapters of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Juvenile Diabetes Research License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.22 of this title;
- 51. Deer Creek Schools Foundation License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the Deer Creek Schools Foundation. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Deer Creek Schools Foundation.

 The plates shall be issued to any person in any combination of

numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for

personalized license plates. As provided in this section, an amount

of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Deer Creek Schools

Foundation License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.23

of this title;

- 52. Lupus Awareness and Education License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the Lupus Foundation of Oklahoma. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Lupus Foundation of Oklahoma. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Lupus License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.24 of this title. Subject to the provisions of subsection A of this section, the Lupus Awareness and Education License Plate is hereby reauthorized effective November 1, 2015;
- 53. Chiefs of Police License Plate such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to provide financial support for the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police for a vehicle or motorcycle in any combination of numbers and letters from one to a maximum of seven, as for personalized plates. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police. The license plate for a motorcycle may be of similar design as space permits or a new design in order to meet the space requirements of a motorcycle license plate. The Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter into a licensing agreement with the

Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police for any licensing fees
which may be required in order to use the association's logo or
design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the
Oklahoma Association of Chiefs of Police of not more than Twenty
Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued. Subject to the
provisions of subsection A of this section, the Chiefs of Police
License Plate is hereby reauthorized effective November 1, 2015;

- 54. Crossings Christian School License Plate such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for Crossings Christian School located in Oklahoma City.

 The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the administration of Crossings Christian School. The Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter into a licensing agreement with Crossings Christian School for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the school's logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Crossings Christian School of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued;
- 55. Hilldale Education Foundation License Plates such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Hilldale Education Foundation. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the administration of the Hilldale Education Foundation. The Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter into a licensing agreement with the Hilldale

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Education Foundation for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the foundation's logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Hilldale Education Foundation of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license

5 | plate issued;

56. Oklahoma Nurses License Plate - such plates shall be issued to any person licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act and providing such documentation of current licensure as may be required by the Oklahoma Tax Commission. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the Oklahoma Nurses Association. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee collected shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Nurses License Plate Revolving Fund created in Section 1104.26 of this title;

56. 57. Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame License Plate - such plates shall be issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame. The license plates shall be designed in consultation with the administration of the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter into a licensing agreement with the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the Hall of Fame's logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide for a payment to the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame of not more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued;

1 58. Childhood Cancer Awareness License Plate - such plates 2 shall be issued to any person wishing to demonstrate support for the 3 Oklahoma Children's Cancer Association. The license plates shall be 4 designed in consultation with the administration of the Oklahoma 5 Children's Cancer Association. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall be authorized to enter into a licensing agreement with the Oklahoma 6 7 Children's Cancer Association for any licensing fees which may be required in order to use the Oklahoma Children's Cancer 8 Association's logo or design. The licensing agreement shall provide 9 10 for a payment to the Oklahoma Children's Cancer Association of not 11 more than Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for each license plate issued; 12 59. Oklahoma Educational Television Authority License Plate -13 such plates shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to 14 demonstrate support for the Oklahoma Educational Television 15 Authority and such plates shall be designed in consultation with the 16 Authority. As provided in this section, an amount of the fee 17 collected shall be deposited in the Educational Television Authority 18 Revolving Fund created in Section 156 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma 19 Statutes: and 20 57. 60. Remembering Fallen Heroes License Plate - such plates 21 shall be designed and issued to any person wishing to demonstrate 22 support for Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc. Such plates shall be 23 designed in consultation with the Oklahoma chapter of Concerns of 24 Police Survivors, Inc. As provided in this section, an amount of

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- 3 1104.27 of this act title.
- 4 C. The fee for such plates shall be Thirty-five Dollars
- 5 (\$35.00) and shall be in addition to all other registration fees
- 6 provided by the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act. The
- 7 | fee shall be apportioned as follows:
- 8 | 1. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) or any other amount as provided in
- 9 this title of the fee shall be apportioned as provided or deposited
- 10 | in a fund as specified within the paragraph authorizing the special
- 11 | license plate;
- 12 2. Eight Dollars (\$8.00) of the fee shall be deposited in the
- 13 Oklahoma Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund to be used for the
- 14 | administration of the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration Act;
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- 3. Any remaining amounts of the fee shall be apportioned as
- 17 provided in Section 1104 of this title.
- 18 | SECTION 26. REPEALER 47 O.S. 2011, Section 1135.5, as
- 19 | last amended by Section 2, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp.
- 20 | 2015, Section 1135.5), is hereby repealed.
- 21 SECTION 27. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-107, as
- 22 | amended by Section 2, Chapter 266, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015,
- 23 | Section 6-107), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-107. A. In addition to the requirements of Section 6-106 of this title, the application of any unemancipated person under the age of eighteen (18) years for a restricted license shall be signed and verified by the legal custodial parent or legal quardian of the applicant, either in person before a person authorized to administer oaths, electronically if completing an online application, or by a notarized affidavit signed by a custodial legal parent or legal guardian and submitted with the application by the person under the age of eighteen (18) years before a person authorized to administer oaths. The signature of the legal custodial parent or legal quardian shall be evidence that the legal custodial parent or legal guardian is willing to assume the obligation imposed under Section 1-101 et seq. of this title upon a person signing the application of a person under the age of eighteen (18) years. Provided, however, any unemancipated person under the age of eighteen (18) years who is in the permanent custody of the Department of Human Services, upon proof of financial responsibility in respect to the operation of a motor vehicle owned by him or her or if not the owner of a motor vehicle then with respect to the operation of any motor vehicle, in form and in amounts as required under the motor vehicle financial responsibility laws of this state, shall not be required to have his or her application for restricted license signed or verified by another person.

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B. Any negligence or willful misconduct of a person under the age of eighteen (18) years when driving a motor vehicle upon a highway with the knowledge and consent of the person who signed the application or notarized affidavit for the restricted license shall be imputed to the person who has signed the application or notarized affidavit. Such person shall be jointly and severally liable with the minor for any damages caused by such negligence or willful misconduct, except as otherwise provided in subsection C of this section.

- C. In the event a person under the age of eighteen (18) years deposits, or there is deposited upon his or her behalf, proof of financial responsibility in respect to the operation of a motor vehicle owned by him or her or if not the owner of a motor vehicle then with respect to the operation of any motor vehicle, in form and in amounts as required under the motor vehicle financial responsibility laws of this state, then the Department may accept the application of such person when signed by the legal custodial parent or the legal guardian of such person, and while such proof is maintained the legal custodial parent or legal guardian shall not be subject to the liability imposed under subsection B of this section.
- D. The Department may, at its discretion, cancel or suspend the license of any person under the age of eighteen (18) years for any unlawful act, negligence or misconduct while driving a motor vehicle.

E. As provided in Section 6-103.1 of this title, any legal custodial parent or legal guardian who has signed the application or notarized affidavit of a person under the age of eighteen (18) years for a license may thereafter file with the Department of Public Safety a verified written request that the license of that person so granted be canceled. The Department shall then cancel the license of the person and the legal custodial parent or legal guardian who signed the application or notarized affidavit of the person shall be relieved from the liability imposed under Section 1-101 et seq. of this title by reason of having signed the application on account of any subsequent negligence or willful misconduct of the person in operating a motor vehicle.

F. The Department of Public Safety upon receipt of satisfactory evidence of the death of the legal custodial parent or legal guardian who signed the application or notarized affidavit of a person under the age of eighteen (18) years for a license shall cancel the license and shall not issue a new license until such time as a new application, duly signed and verified, is made as required by this chapter. This provision shall not apply in the event the person has attained the age of eighteen (18) years.

SECTION 28. REPEALER 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-107, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 96, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-107), is hereby repealed.

SECTION 29. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-110, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 266, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-110), is amended to read as follows:

Section 6-110. A. 1. The Department of Public Safety shall examine every applicant for an original Class A, B, C or D license and for any endorsements thereon, except as otherwise provided in Section 6-101 et seq. of this title or as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection or in subsection D of this section. The examination shall include a test of the applicant's:

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- b. ability to read and understand highway signs regulating, warning and directing traffic,
- c. knowledge of the traffic laws of this state, including a portion on bicycle and motorcycle safety, and
- d. ability, by actual demonstration, to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle. The actual demonstration shall be conducted in the type of motor vehicle for the class of driver license being applied for.

The Department may create a knowledge test that may be taken on the Internet by an applicant applying for a Class D license.

Any licensee seeking to apply for a driver license of another class which is not covered by the licensee's current driver license shall be considered an applicant for an original license for that class.

- 2. The Department of Public Safety shall have the authority to waive the requirement of any part of the examination required in paragraph 1 of this subsection for those applicants whose driving record meets the standards set by the Department of Public Safety and surrenders either of the following:
 - a. a valid unexpired driver license issued by any state or country for the same type or types of vehicles, or
 - b. an expired driver license that:

- (1) is not expired more than six (6) months past the expiration date listed on the driver license, and
- (2) is not a Class A, B or C commercial driver license or commercial driver license permit.
- 3. The Department shall accept skills test results from another state for Class A, B or C license applicants who have successfully completed commercial motor vehicle driver training in that state and successfully passed the skills test in that state; provided, the Department shall not accept skills test results from another state when the applicant has not successfully completed commercial motor vehicle driver training in that state. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the Department from administering the skills test to any applicant who has successfully completed commercial vehicle driver training in another state.
- 4. All applicants requiring a hazardous materials endorsement shall be required, for the renewal of the endorsement, to

1 successfully complete the examination and to submit to a security threat assessment performed by the Transportation Security Administration of the Department of Homeland Security as required by 3 and pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 1572, which shall be used to 5 determine whether the applicant is eligible for renewal of the endorsement pursuant to federal law and regulation.

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- 5. The Department of Public Safety shall give the complete examination as provided for in this section within thirty (30) days from the date the application is received, and the examination shall be given at a location within one hundred (100) miles of the residence of the applicant. The Department shall make every effort to make the examination locations and times convenient for applicants. The Department shall consider giving the examination at various school sites if the district board of education for the district in which the site is located agrees and if economically feasible and practicable.
- Any person holding a valid Oklahoma Class D license or provisional driver license pursuant to Section 6-212 of this title and applying for a Class A, B or C commercial license shall be required to successfully complete all examinations as required for the specified class. Failure to submit to the Department federally required medical certification information pursuant to 49 C.F.R., Part 391.41 et seq. shall result in an automatic downgrade of a commercial license to a Class D license. Provided, however, once

- the required medical certification information has been received by
 the Department, the license shall be reinstated to the
 classification of the commercial license prior to the downgrade and
 the holder of such a license shall not be required to reapply.
 - C. Except as provided in subsection E of Section 6-101 of this title, any person holding a valid Oklahoma Class A, B or C commercial license shall, upon time for renewal thereof, be entitled to a Class D license without any type of testing or examination, except for any endorsements thereon as otherwise provided for by Section 6-110.1 of this title.
 - D. 1. Any certified driver education instructor who is currently an operator or an employee of a commercial driver training school in this state or any driver education instructor employed by any school district in this state shall be eligible to apply to be a designated examiner of the Department of Public Safety for the purposes of administering the Class D driving skills portion of the Oklahoma driving examination to any person who has not previously been a student of the instructor.
 - 2. The Department of Public Safety shall adopt a curriculum of required courses and training to be offered to applicants who are qualified to apply to be a designated examiner. The courses and training for certification shall meet the same standards as required for driver examiners of the Department of Public Safety.

3. Each person applying to be a designated examiner shall be required to pay an initial designated examiner certification fee of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Upon successful completion of training prescribed by paragraph 2 of this subsection, the person shall be required to pay an annual designated examiner certification fee of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00). If an applicant for the designated examiner program is employed by an Oklahoma public school system that offers driver education, and he or she administers the skills test only to students enrolled in a public school driver education program, the certification fee may be waived by the Department. Each designated examiner certification shall expire on the last day of the calendar year and may be renewed upon application to the Department of Public Safety. The designated examiner certification fees collected by the Department pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited to the credit of the Department of Public Safety Restricted Revolving Fund to be used for the purposes of this subsection. No designated examiner certification fee shall be refunded in the event that certification is denied, suspended or revoked.

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4. A designated examiner may charge a fee of no more than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each Class D driving skills examination given, whether the person being examined passes or fails the examination.

5. The Department shall conduct an annual complete nationwide criminal history background check on each designated examiner and a complete nationwide criminal history background check on each designated examiner applicant. The fees for the background check shall be borne by the designated examiner or designated examiner applicant.

- 6. The Department of Public Safety shall promulgate rules to implement and administer the provisions of this subsection.
- SECTION 30. REPEALER 47 O.S. 2011, Section 6-110, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 97, O.S.L. 2015 (47 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 6-110), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 31. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2011, Section 510.9, as last amended by Section 5, Chapter 397, O.S.L. 2015 (57 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 510.9), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 510.9 A. There is hereby created the Electronic Monitoring Program for inmates in the custody of the Department of Corrections who are sentenced for a nonviolent offense not included as a violent offense defined in Section 571 of this title. The Department is authorized to use an electronic monitoring global positioning device to satisfy its custody duties and responsibilities.
 - B. After an inmate has been processed and received through a Department Assessment and Reception Center, has been incarcerated for a minimum of ninety (90) days, and has met the criteria

- established in subsection C of Section 521 of this title, the

 Director of the Department of Corrections may assign the inmate, if

 eligible, to the Electronic Monitoring Program. Nothing shall

 prohibit the Director from assigning an inmate to the Electronic

 Monitoring Program while assigned to the accredited halfway house or

 transitional living facility. The following inmates, youthful

 offenders, and juveniles shall not be eligible for assignment to the

 program:
 - 1. Any inmate serving a sentence of more than five (5) years who has eleven (11) months or more left on the sentence or any inmate serving a sentence of five (5) years or less whose initial custody assessment requires placement above the minimum security level;

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- 2. Inmates convicted of a violent offense within the previous ten (10) years pursuant to Section 571 of this title;
- 3. Inmates convicted of any violation of the provisions of the Trafficking in Illegal Drugs Act, Section 2-414 et seq. of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 4. Inmates denied parole within the previous twelve (12) months pursuant to Section 332.7 of this title;
- 5. Inmates convicted pursuant to Section 11-902 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes who are not receptive to substance abuse treatment and follow-up treatment;

6. Inmates removed from the Electronic Monitoring Program or any other alternative to incarceration authorized by law for violation of any rule or condition of the program and reassigned to imprisonment in a correctional facility;

- 7. Inmates deemed by the Department to be a security risk or threat to the public;
- 8. Inmates requiring educational, medical or other services or programs not available in a community setting as determined by the Department;
- 9. Inmates convicted of any violation of subsection C of Section 644 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes or who have an active protection order that was issued under the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act, Sections 60 through 60.16 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 10. Inmates who have outstanding felony warrants or detainers from another jurisdiction;
- 11. Inmates convicted of a sex offense who, upon release from incarceration, would be required by law to register pursuant to the Sex Offender Registration Act;
- 12. Inmates convicted of racketeering activity as defined in Section 1402 of Title 22 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 22 13. Inmates convicted pursuant to subsection F of Section 2-401 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

- 1 14. Inmates convicted pursuant to Section 650 of Title 21 of 2 the Oklahoma Statutes;
 - 15. Inmates who have escaped from a penal or correctional institution within the previous ten (10) years; or

- 16. Inmates who currently have active misconduct actions on file with the Department of Corrections.
- C. Every eligible inmate assigned to the Electronic Monitoring

 Program shall remain in such program until one of the following

 conditions has been met:
 - 1. The inmate discharges the term of the sentence;
- 2. The inmate is removed from the Electronic Monitoring Program for violation of any rule or condition of the program and reassigned to imprisonment in a correctional facility; or
- 3. The inmate is paroled by the Governor pursuant to Section 332.7 of this title.
- D. After an inmate has been assigned to the Electronic Monitoring Program, denial of parole pursuant to Section 332.7 of this title, shall not be cause for removal from the program, provided the inmate has not violated the rules or conditions of the program. The inmate may remain assigned to the program, if otherwise eligible, until the completion of the sentence.
- E. The Electronic Monitoring Program shall require active supervision of the inmate in a community setting by a correctional officer or other employee of the Department of Corrections with

monitoring by a global positioning device approved by the Department under such rules and conditions as may be established by the Department. If an inmate violates any rule or condition of the program, the Department may take necessary disciplinary action consistent with the rules established pursuant to this section, including reassignment to a higher level of security or removing the inmate from the program with reassignment to imprisonment in a correctional facility. Any inmate who escapes from the Electronic Monitoring Program shall be subject to the provisions of Section 443 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- F. Upon an inmate assigned to the Electronic Monitoring Program becoming eligible for parole consideration, pursuant to Section 332.7 of this title, the Department of Corrections shall deliver the inmate, in person, to a correctional facility for interview, together with any Department records necessary for the Pardon and Parole Board's investigation. Inmates assigned to the Electronic Monitoring Program shall not be allowed to waive consideration or recommendation for parole.
- G. Prior to placement of any eligible inmate assigned to the Electronic Monitoring Program being placed in a community setting, the Department of Corrections shall deliver a written notification to the sheriff and district attorney of the county, and the chief law enforcement officer of any incorporated city or town in which the inmate is to be monitored and supervised under the program. The

district attorney shall disseminate such information to victims of
the crime for which the inmate is serving sentence, if any, when the
victims are known to live in the same city, town or county.

- H. An inmate assigned to the Electronic Monitoring Program may be required to pay the Department of Corrections for all or part of any monitoring equipment or fee, substance abuse treatment program or follow-up treatment expense, supervision cost, or other costs while assigned to the program. The Department shall determine whether the inmate has the ability to pay all or part of such fee or costs.
- I. The Department of Corrections shall promulgate and adopt rules and procedures necessary to implement the Electronic Monitoring Program, including but not limited to methods of monitoring and supervision, disciplinary action, reassignment to higher and lower security levels, removal from the program, and costs of monitoring and supervision to be paid by the inmate, if any.
- J. An inmate assigned to the Electronic Monitoring Program shall, within thirty (30) days of being placed in a community setting, report to the court clerk and the district attorney of the county from which the judgment and sentence resulting in incarceration arose to address payment of any fines, costs, restitution and assessments owed by the inmate, if any.

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1 | SECTION 32. REPEALER 57 O.S. 2011, Section 510.9, as
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- 2 | last amended by Section 1, Chapter 312, O.S.L. 2015 (57 O.S. Supp.
- 3 2015, Section 510.9), is hereby repealed.
- 4 SECTION 33. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1315, as
- 5 | last amended by Section 2, Chapter 212, O.S.L. 2015 (59 O.S. Supp.
- 6 2015, Section 1315), is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Section 1315. A. The following persons or classes shall not be
- 8 bail bondsmen, shall not perform the acts of a bail bondsman and
- 9 | shall not directly or indirectly receive any benefits from the
- 10 execution of any bail bond:
- 11 1. Persons convicted of, or who have pled guilty or nolo
- 12 | contendere to, any felony or to a misdemeanor involving dishonesty
- 13 or moral turpitude;
- 14 2. Jailers;

- 3. Police officers:
- 16 4. Committing judges;
- 5. Municipal or district court judges;
- 18 6. Prisoners;
- 7. Sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and any person having the power to
- 20 arrest or having anything to do with the control of federal, state,
- 21 | county or municipal prisoners;
- 8. Any person who possesses a permit pursuant to the provisions
- of Section 163.11 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes or is an
- officer, director or stockholder of any corporation holding such a

permit, except as specifically authorized for a licensed bondsman in Section \pm 1315.1 of this act title;

- 9. Any person who is an agent or owner of any establishment at which low-point beer as defined by Section 163.2 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes is sold for on-premises consumption, except as specifically authorized for a licensed bondsman in Section 1315.1 of this act title;
- 10. Any person who holds any license provided for in Section 518 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes or is an agent or officer of any such licensee, except for an individual holding an employee license pursuant to paragraph 20 of subsection A of Section 518 of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes or as specifically authorized for a licensed bondsman in Section \pm 1315.1 of this act title;
- 11. Any person who holds any license or permit from any city, town, county, or other governmental subdivision for the operation of any private club at which alcoholic beverages are consumed or provided, except as specifically authorized for a licensed bondsman in Section ± 1315.1 of this act title;
 - 12. Any person or agent of a retail liquor package store; and
- 13. Any person whose bail bondsman license has been revoked by the Insurance Commissioner.
- B. This section shall not apply to a sheriff, deputy sheriff, police officer, or officer of the law who is not on duty and who assists in the apprehension of a defendant.

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C. The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons
possessing permits or licenses pertaining to low-point beer or
alcoholic beverages, as defined in Sections 163.2 and 506 of Title
37 of the Oklahoma Statutes, which were issued prior to May 23,
1984. No one shall be permitted to maintain an office for
conducting bail bonds business where low-point beer or alcoholic
beverages are sold for on-premises consumption.
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SECTION 34. REPEALER 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1315, as last amended by Section 7, Chapter 110, O.S.L. 2015 (59 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 1315), is hereby repealed.

11 AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 2-309D, as SECTION 35. 12 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 1, O.S.L. 2015 (63 O.S. Supp. 13 2015, Section 2-309D), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2-309D. A. The information collected at the central repository pursuant to the Anti-Drug Diversion Act shall be confidential and shall not be open to the public. Access to the information shall be limited to:

- 1. Peace officers certified pursuant to Section 3311 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes who are employed as investigative agents of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control;
- 22 2. The United States Drug Enforcement Administration Diversion Group Supervisor;

- 1 3. The executive director or chief investigator, as designated 2 by each board, of the following state boards:
 - a. Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners,
 - b. Board of Dentistry,

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- c. State Board of Pharmacy,
- d. State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision,
- e. State Board of Osteopathic Examiners,
 - f. State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners,
 - g. Oklahoma Health Care Authority,
 - h. Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services,
 - i. Board of Examiners in Optometry,
 - j. Board of Nursing,
 - k. Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and
 - 1. State Board of Health:
- 4. A multicounty grand jury properly convened pursuant to the Multicounty Grand Jury Act;
- 5. Medical practitioners employed by the United States

 Department of Veterans Affairs, the United States Military, or other

 federal agencies treating patients in this state; and
- 6. At the discretion of the Director of the Oklahoma State
 Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, medical
 practitioners and their staff, including those employed by the
 federal government in this state.

B. This section shall not prevent access, at the discretion of the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, to investigative information by peace officers and investigative agents of federal, state, county or municipal law enforcement agencies, district attorneys and the Attorney General in furtherance of criminal, civil or administrative investigations or prosecutions within their respective jurisdictions, designated legal, communications, and analytical employees of the Bureau, and to registrants in furtherance of efforts to guard against the diversion of controlled dangerous substances.

- C. This section shall not prevent the disclosure, at the discretion of the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, of statistical information gathered from the central repository to the general public which shall be limited to types and quantities of controlled substances dispensed and the county where dispensed.
- D. This section shall not prevent the disclosure, at the discretion of the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, of prescription-monitoring-program information to prescription-monitoring programs of other states provided a reciprocal data-sharing agreement is in place.
- E. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the State Department of Health may utilize the information in the central repository for statistical, research, substance abuse

prevention, or educational purposes, provided that consumer confidentiality is not compromised.

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- F. Any unauthorized disclosure of any information collected at the central repository provided by the Anti-Drug Diversion Act shall be a misdemeanor. Violation of the provisions of this section shall be deemed willful neglect of duty and shall be grounds for removal from office.
- G. 1. Registrants shall have access to the central repository for the purposes of patient treatment and for determination in prescribing or screening new patients. The patient's history may be disclosed to the patient for the purposes of treatment of information at the discretion of the physician.
 - 2. a. Prior to prescribing or authorizing for refill, if one hundred eighty (180) days have elapsed prior to the previous access and check, of opiates, synthetic opiates, semisynthetic opiates, benzodiazepine or carisoprodol to a patient of record, registrants or members of their medical or administrative staff shall be required until October 31, 2020, to access the information in the central repository to assess medical necessity and the possibility that the patient may be unlawfully obtaining prescription drugs in violation of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act. The duty to access and check shall

not alter or otherwise amend appropriate medical standards of care. The registrant or medical provider shall note in the patient file that the central repository has been checked and may maintain a copy of the information.

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- b. The requirements set forth in subparagraph a of this paragraph shall not apply:
 - (1) to medical practitioners who prescribe the controlled substances set forth in subparagraph a of this paragraph for hospice or end-of-life care, or
 - (2) for a prescription of a controlled substance set forth in subparagraph a of this paragraph that is issued by a practitioner for a patient residing in a nursing facility as defined by Section 1-1902 of this title, provided that the prescription is issued to a resident of such facility.
- 3. Registrants shall not be liable to any person for any claim of damages as a result of accessing or failing to access the information in the central repository and no lawsuit may be predicated thereon.
- H. The State Board of Podiatric Examiners, the State Board of Dentistry, the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the

State Board of Examiners in Optometry, the State Board of Nursing,
the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and the State Board of

Veterinary Medical Examiners shall have the sole responsibility for
enforcement of the provisions of subsection G of this section.

Nothing in this section shall be construed so as to permit the

Director of the State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs

Control to assess administrative fines provided for in Section 2-304

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Τ. The Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, or a designee thereof, shall provide a monthly list to the Directors of the State Board of Podiatric Examiners, the State Board of Dentistry, the State Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision, the State Board of Examiners in Optometry, the State Board of Nursing, the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners of the top twenty prescribers of controlled dangerous substances within their respective areas of jurisdiction. Upon discovering that a registrant is prescribing outside the limitations of his or her licensure or outside of drug registration rules or applicable state laws, the respective licensing board shall be notified by the Bureau in writing. Such notifications may be considered complaints for the purpose of investigations or other actions by the respective licensing board. Licensing boards shall

have exclusive jurisdiction to take action against a licensee for a violation of subsection G of this section.

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- J. Information regarding fatal and nonfatal overdoses, other than statistical information as required by Section 2-106 of this title, shall be completely confidential. Access to this information shall be strictly limited to the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control or designee, the Chief Medical Examiner, state agencies and boards provided in subsection A of this section, and the registrant that enters the information. Registrants shall not be liable to any person for a claim of damages for information reported pursuant to the provisions of Section 2-105 of this title.
- K. The Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control shall provide adequate means and procedures allowing access to central repository information for registrants lacking direct computer access.
- L. Upon completion of an investigation in which it is determined that a death was caused by an overdose, either intentionally or unintentionally, of a controlled dangerous substance, the medical examiner shall be required to report the decedent's name and date of birth to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control. The Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control shall be required to maintain a database containing the classification of medical practitioners

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who prescribed or authorized controlled dangerous substances pursuant to this subsection.
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- 3 SECTION 36. REPEALER 63 O.S. 2011, Section 2-309D, as 4 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 84, O.S.L. 2015 (63 O.S. Supp.
- 5 | 2015, Section 2-309D), is hereby repealed.

- SECTION 37. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 205, as
 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 299, O.S.L. 2015 (68 O.S. Supp.
 2015, Section 205), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 205. A. The records and files of the Oklahoma Tax

 Commission concerning the administration of the Uniform Tax

 Procedure Code or of any state tax law shall be considered

 confidential and privileged, except as otherwise provided for by

 law, and neither the Tax Commission nor any employee engaged in the

 administration of the Tax Commission or charged with the custody of

 any such records or files nor any person who may have secured

 information from the Tax Commission shall disclose any information

 obtained from the records or files or from any examination or

 inspection of the premises or property of any person.
 - B. Except as provided in paragraph 26 of subsection C of this section, neither the Tax Commission nor any employee engaged in the administration of the Tax Commission or charged with the custody of any such records or files shall be required by any court of this state to produce any of the records or files for the inspection of any person or for use in any action or proceeding, except when the

records or files or the facts shown thereby are directly involved in an action or proceeding pursuant to the provisions of the Uniform

Tax Procedure Code or of the state tax law, or when the determination of the action or proceeding will affect the validity or the amount of the claim of the state pursuant to any state tax law, or when the information contained in the records or files constitutes evidence of violation of the provisions of the Uniform

Tax Procedure Code or of any state tax law.

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- C. The provisions of this section shall not prevent the Tax

 Commission from disclosing the following information and no

 liability whatsoever, civil or criminal, shall attach to any member

 of the Tax Commission or any employee thereof for any error or

 omission in the disclosure of such information:
- 1. The delivery to a taxpayer or a duly authorized representative of the taxpayer of a copy of any report or any other paper filed by the taxpayer pursuant to the provisions of the Uniform Tax Procedure Code or of any state tax law;
- 2. The exchange of information that is not protected by the federal Privacy Protection Act, 42 U.S.C., Section 2000aa et seq., pursuant to reciprocal agreements entered into by the Tax Commission and other state agencies or agencies of the federal government;
- 3. The publication of statistics so classified as to prevent the identification of a particular report and the items thereof;

4. The examination of records and files by the State Auditor and Inspector or the duly authorized agents of the State Auditor and Inspector;

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- The disclosing of information or evidence to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Attorney General, Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, any district attorney, or agent of any federal law enforcement agency when the information or evidence is to be used by such officials to investigate or prosecute violations of the criminal provisions of the Uniform Tax Procedure Code or of any state tax law or of any federal crime committed against this state. Any information disclosed to the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Attorney General, Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, any district attorney, or agent of any federal law enforcement agency shall be kept confidential by such person and not be disclosed except when presented to a court in a prosecution for violation of the tax laws of this state or except as specifically authorized by law, and a violation by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, Attorney General, Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, district attorney, or agent of any federal law enforcement agency by otherwise releasing the information shall be a felony;
- 6. The use by any division of the Tax Commission of any information or evidence in the possession of or contained in any

report or return filed with any other division of the Tax Commission;

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- The furnishing, at the discretion of the Tax Commission, of any information disclosed by its records or files to any official person or body of this state, any other state, the United States, or foreign country who is concerned with the administration or assessment of any similar tax in this state, any other state or the United States. The provisions of this paragraph shall include the furnishing of information by the Tax Commission to a county assessor to determine the amount of gross household income pursuant to the provisions of Section 8C of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution or Section 2890 of this title. The Tax Commission shall promulgate rules to give guidance to the county assessors regarding the type of information which may be used by the county assessors in determining the amount of gross household income pursuant to Section 8C of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution or Section 2890 of this title. The provisions of this paragraph shall also include the furnishing of information to the State Treasurer for the purpose of administration of the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act;
- 8. The furnishing of information to other state agencies for the limited purpose of aiding in the collection of debts owed by individuals to such requesting agencies;
- 9. The furnishing of information requested by any member of the general public and stated in the sworn lists or schedules of taxable

property of public service corporations organized, existing, or
doing business in this state which are submitted to and certified by
the State Board of Equalization pursuant to the provisions of
Section 2858 of this title and Section 21 of Article X of the
Oklahoma Constitution, provided such information would be a public
record if filed pursuant to Sections 2838 and 2839 of this title on
behalf of a corporation other than a public service corporation;

- 10. The furnishing of information requested by any member of the general public and stated in the findings of the Tax Commission as to the adjustment and equalization of the valuation of real and personal property of the counties of the state, which are submitted to and certified by the State Board of Equalization pursuant to the provisions of Section 2865 of this title and Section 21 of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution;
- 11. The furnishing of information to an Oklahoma wholesaler of low-point beer, licensed under the provisions of Section 163.1 et seq. of Title 37 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or an association or organization whose membership is comprised of such wholesalers, of the licensed retailers authorized by law to purchase low-point beer in this state or the furnishing of information to a licensed Oklahoma wholesaler of low-point beer of shipments by licensed manufacturers into this state;
- 12. The furnishing of information as to the issuance or revocation of any tax permit, license or exemption by the Tax

Commission as provided for by law. Such information shall be
limited to the name of the person issued the permit, license or
exemption, the name of the business entity authorized to engage in
business pursuant to the permit, license or exemption, the address
of the business entity, and the grounds for revocation;

- 13. The posting of notice of revocation of any tax permit or license upon the premises of the place of business of any business entity which has had any tax permit or license revoked by the Tax Commission as provided for by law. Such notice shall be limited to the name of the person issued the permit or license, the name of the business entity authorized to engage in business pursuant to the permit or license, the address of the business entity, and the grounds for revocation;
- 14. The furnishing of information upon written request by any member of the general public as to the outstanding and unpaid amount due and owing by any taxpayer of this state for any delinquent tax, together with penalty and interest, for which a tax warrant or a certificate of indebtedness has been filed pursuant to law;
- 15. After the filing of a tax warrant pursuant to law, the furnishing of information upon written request by any member of the general public as to any agreement entered into by the Tax

 Commission concerning a compromise of tax liability for an amount less than the amount of tax liability stated on such warrant;

16. The disclosure of information necessary to complete the performance of any contract authorized by this title to any person with whom the Tax Commission has contracted;

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- 17. The disclosure of information to any person for a purpose as authorized by the taxpayer pursuant to a waiver of confidentiality. The waiver shall be in writing and shall be made upon such form as the Tax Commission may prescribe;
- 18. The disclosure of information required in order to comply with the provisions of Section 2369 of this title;
- 19. The disclosure to an employer, as defined in Sections
 2385.1 and 2385.3 of this title, of information required in order to
 collect the tax imposed by Section 2385.2 of this title;
- 20. The disclosure to a plaintiff of a corporation's last-known address shown on the records of the Franchise Tax Division of the Tax Commission in order for such plaintiff to comply with the requirements of Section 2004 of Title 12 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 21. The disclosure of information directly involved in the resolution of the protest by a taxpayer to an assessment of tax or additional tax or the resolution of a claim for refund filed by a taxpayer, including the disclosure of the pendency of an administrative proceeding involving such protest or claim, to a person called by the Tax Commission as an expert witness or as a witness whose area of knowledge or expertise specifically addresses the issue addressed in the protest or claim for refund. Such

disclosure to a witness shall be limited to information pertaining to the specific knowledge of that witness as to the transaction or relationship between taxpayer and witness;

- 22. The disclosure of information necessary to implement an agreement authorized by Section 2702 of this title when such information is directly involved in the resolution of issues arising out of the enforcement of a municipal sales tax ordinance. Such disclosure shall be to the governing body or to the municipal attorney, if so designated by the governing body;
- 23. The furnishing of information regarding incentive payments made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3601 through 3609 of this title or incentive payments made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 3501 through 3508 of this title;
- 24. The furnishing to a prospective purchaser of any business, or his or her authorized representative, of information relating to any liabilities, delinquencies, assessments or warrants of the prospective seller of the business which have not been filed of record, established, or become final and which relate solely to the seller's business. Any disclosure under this paragraph shall only be allowed upon the presentment by the prospective buyer, or the buyer's authorized representative, of the purchase contract and a written authorization between the parties;
- 25. The furnishing of information as to the amount of state revenue affected by the issuance or granting of any tax permit,

license, exemption, deduction, credit or other tax preference by the Tax Commission as provided for by law. Such information shall be limited to the type of permit, license, exemption, deduction, credit or other tax preference issued or granted, the date and duration of such permit, license, exemption, deduction, credit or other tax preference and the amount of such revenue. The provisions of this paragraph shall not authorize the disclosure of the name of the person issued such permit, license, exemption, deduction, credit or other tax preference, or the name of the business entity authorized to engage in business pursuant to the permit, license, exemption, deduction, credit or other tax preference;

26. The examination of records and files of a person or entity by the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control pursuant to a court order by a magistrate in whose territorial jurisdiction the person or entity resides, or where the Tax Commission records and files are physically located. Such an order may only be issued upon a sworn application by an agent of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, certifying that the person or entity whose records and files are to be examined is the target of an ongoing investigation of a felony violation of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act and that information resulting from such an examination would likely be relevant to that investigation. Any records or information obtained pursuant to such an order may only be used by the Oklahoma State

Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control in the investigation and prosecution of a felony violation of the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Act. Any such order issued pursuant to this paragraph, along with the underlying application, shall be sealed and not disclosed to the person or entity whose records were examined, for a period of ninety (90) days. The issuing magistrate may grant extensions of such period upon a showing of good cause in furtherance of the investigation. Upon the expiration of ninety (90) days and any extensions granted by the magistrate, a copy of the application and order shall be served upon the person or entity whose records were examined, along with a copy of the records or information actually provided by the Tax Commission;

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- 27. The disclosure of information, as prescribed by this paragraph, which is related to the proposed or actual usage of tax credits pursuant to Section 2357.7 of this title, the Small Business Capital Formation Incentive Act or the Rural Venture Capital Formation Incentive Act. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the terms used in this paragraph shall have the same meaning as defined by Section 2357.7, 2357.61 or 2357.72 of this title. The disclosure of information authorized by this paragraph shall include:
 - a. the legal name of any qualified venture capital company, qualified small business capital company, or qualified rural small business capital company,

b. the identity or legal name of any person or entity that is a shareholder or partner of a qualified venture capital company, qualified small business capital company, or qualified rural small business capital company,

- c. the identity or legal name of any Oklahoma business venture, Oklahoma small business venture, or Oklahoma rural small business venture in which a qualified investment has been made by a capital company, or
- d. the amount of funds invested in a qualified venture capital company, the amount of qualified investments in a qualified small business capital company or qualified rural small business capital company and the amount of investments made by a qualified venture capital company, qualified small business capital company, or qualified rural small business capital company;
- 28. The disclosure of specific information as required by Section 46 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
- 29. The disclosure of specific information as required by Section 205.5 of this title;
- 30. The disclosure of specific information as required by Section 205.6 of this title; $\frac{1}{2}$

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31. The disclosure of information to the State Treasurer necessary to implement Section $\frac{2}{2368.27}$ of this $\frac{1}{2368.27}$ of this $\frac{1}{2368.27}$ or

- 32. The disclosure of specific information to the Oklahoma

 Health Care Authority for purposes of determining eligibility for

 current or potential recipients of assistance from the Oklahoma

 Medicaid Program.
- D. The Tax Commission shall cause to be prepared and made available for public inspection in the office of the Tax Commission in such manner as it may determine an annual list containing the name and post office address of each person, whether individual, corporate, or otherwise, making and filing an income tax return with the Tax Commission.
- It is specifically provided that no liability whatsoever, civil or criminal, shall attach to any member of the Tax Commission or any employee thereof for any error or omission of any name or address in the preparation and publication of the list.
- E. The Tax Commission shall prepare or cause to be prepared a report on all provisions of state tax law that reduce state revenue through exclusions, deductions, credits, exemptions, deferrals or other preferential tax treatments. The report shall be prepared not later than October 1 of each even-numbered year and shall be submitted to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Tax Commission may prepare and submit supplements to the report at other times of

the year if additional or updated information relevant to the report becomes available. The report shall include, for the previous fiscal year, the Tax Commission's best estimate of the amount of state revenue that would have been collected but for the existence of each such exclusion, deduction, credit, exemption, deferral or other preferential tax treatment allowed by law. The Tax Commission may request the assistance of other state agencies as may be needed to prepare the report. The Tax Commission is authorized to require any recipient of a tax incentive or tax expenditure to report to the Tax Commission such information as requested so that the Tax Commission may fulfill its obligations as required by this subsection. The Tax Commission may require this information to be submitted in an electronic format. The Tax Commission may disallow any claim of a person for a tax incentive due to its failure to file a report as required under the authority of this subsection.

- F. It is further provided that the provisions of this section shall be strictly interpreted and shall not be construed as permitting the disclosure of any other information contained in the records and files of the Tax Commission relating to income tax or to any other taxes.
- G. Unless otherwise provided for in this section, any violation of the provisions of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by the imposition of a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail

for a term not exceeding one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and the offender shall be removed or dismissed from office.

- H. Offenses described in Section 2376 of this title shall be reported to the appropriate district attorney of this state by the Tax Commission as soon as the offenses are discovered by the Tax Commission or its agents or employees. The Tax Commission shall make available to the appropriate district attorney or to the authorized agent of the district attorney its records and files pertinent to prosecutions, and such records and files shall be fully admissible as evidence for the purpose of such prosecutions.
- 12 SECTION 38. REPEALER 68 O.S. 2011, Section 205, as last
 13 amended by Section 1, Chapter 10, O.S.L. 2015 (68 O.S. Supp. 2015,
 14 Section 205), is hereby repealed.
 - SECTION 39. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2902, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2015 (68 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 2902), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 2902. A. Except as otherwise provided by subsection H of Section 3658 of this title pursuant to which the exemption authorized by this section may not be claimed, a qualifying manufacturing concern, as defined by Section 6B of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, and as further defined herein, shall be exempt from the levy of any ad valorem taxes upon new, expanded or acquired manufacturing facilities, including facilities engaged in

research and development, for a period of five (5) years. The provisions of Section 6B of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution requiring an existing facility to have been unoccupied for a period of twelve (12) months prior to acquisition shall be construed as a qualification for a facility to initially receive an exemption, and shall not be deemed to be a qualification for that facility to continue to receive an exemption in each of the four (4) years following the initial year for which the exemption was granted. Such facilities are hereby classified for the purposes of taxation as provided in Section 22 of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution.

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- B. For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:
- 1. "Manufacturing facilities" means facilities engaged in the mechanical or chemical transformation of materials or substances into new products and except as provided by paragraph 8 of subsection C of this section shall include:
 - a. establishments which have received a manufacturer exemption permit pursuant to the provisions of Section 1359.2 of this title,
 - b. facilities, including repair and replacement parts, primarily engaged in aircraft repair, building and rebuilding whether or not on a factory basis,
 - c. establishments primarily engaged in computer services and data processing as defined under Industrial Group

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Numbers 5112 and 5415, and U.S. Industry Number 334611 and 519130 of the NAICS Manual, latest revision, and 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 as defined under Industrial Group Number 5142 of the NAICS Manual, latest revision, which derive at least eighty percent (80%) of their annual gross revenues from the sale of a product or service to an out-ofstate buyer or consumer. Eligibility as a manufacturing facility pursuant to this subparagraph shall be established, subject to review by the Oklahoma Tax Commission, by annually filing an affidavit with the Tax Commission stating that the facility so qualifies and such other information as required by the Tax Commission. For purposes of determining whether annual gross revenues are derived from sales to out-of-state buyers, all sales to the federal government shall be considered to be an outof-state buyer,

d. for which the investment cost of the construction, acquisition or expansion of the manufacturing facility is Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or more. Provided, "investment cost" shall not include

the cost of direct replacement, refurbish, repair or maintenance of existing machinery or equipment, and establishments primarily engaged in distribution as

- e. establishments primarily engaged in distribution as defined under Industry Numbers 49311, 49312, 49313 and 49319 and Industry Sector Number 42 of the NAICS Manual, latest revision, and which meet the following qualifications:
 - (1) construction with an initial capital investment of at least Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00),
 - (2) employment of at least one hundred (100) fulltime-equivalent employees, as certified by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission,
 - (3) payment of wages or salaries to its employees at a wage which equals or exceeds one hundred seventy-five percent (175%) of the federally mandated minimum wage, as certified by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, and
 - (4) commencement of construction on or after November 1, 2007, with construction to be completed within three (3) years from the date of the commencement of construction.

Eligibility as a manufacturing facility pursuant to this subparagraph 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 containing such other information as required by the Tax Commission.

Provided, eating and drinking places, as well as other retail establishments, shall not qualify as manufacturing facilities for purposes of this section, nor shall centrally assessed properties.

Eligibility as a manufacturing facility pursuant to this subparagraph shall be established, subject to review by the Tax Commission, by annually filing an application with the Tax Commission stating that the facility so qualifies and containing such other information as required by the Tax Commission;

- 2. "Facility" and "facilities" means and includes the land, buildings, structures, improvements, machinery, fixtures, equipment and other personal property used directly and exclusively in the manufacturing process; and
- 3. "Research and development" means activities directly related to and conducted for the purpose of discovering, enhancing, increasing or improving future or existing products or processes or productivity.
 - C. The following provisions shall apply:
- 1. A manufacturing concern shall be entitled to the exemption herein provided for each new manufacturing facility constructed, each existing manufacturing facility acquired and the expansion of existing manufacturing facilities on the same site, as such terms

are defined by Section 6B of Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution and by this section;

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- 2. Except as otherwise provided in paragraph 5 of this subsection, no manufacturing concern shall receive more than one five-year exemption for any one manufacturing facility unless the expansion which qualifies the manufacturing facility for an additional five-year exemption meets the requirements of paragraph 4 of this subsection and the employment level established for any previous exemption is maintained;
- 3. Any exemption as to the expansion of an existing manufacturing facility shall be limited to the increase in ad valorem taxes directly attributable to the expansion;
- 4. Except as provided in paragraphs 5 and 6 of this subsection, all initial applications for any exemption for a new, acquired or expanded manufacturing facility shall be granted only if:
 - a. there is a net increase in annualized base payroll over the initial payroll of at least Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) if the facility is located in a county with a population of fewer than seventy-five thousand (75,000), according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, while maintaining or increasing base payroll in subsequent years, or at least One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) if the facility is located in a county with a population of

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seventy-five thousand (75,000) or more, according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, while maintaining or increasing base payroll in subsequent years; provided the payroll requirement of this subparagraph shall be waived for claims for exemptions, including claims previously denied or on appeal on March 3, 2010, for all initial applications for exemption filed on or after January 1, 2004, and on or before March 31, 2009, and all subsequent annual exemption applications filed related to the initial application for exemption, for an applicant, if the facility has been located in Oklahoma for at least fifteen (15) years engaged in marine engine manufacturing as defined under U.S. Industry Number 333618 of the NAICS Manual, latest revision, and has maintained an average employment of five hundred (500) or more full-time-equivalent employees over a ten-year period. Any applicant that qualifies for the payroll requirement waiver as outlined in the previous sentence and subsequently closes its Oklahoma manufacturing plant prior to January 1, 2012, may be disqualified for exemption and subject to recapture. For an applicant engaged in paperboard manufacturing as defined under U.S. Industry Number 322130 of the

NAICS Manual, latest revision, union master payouts paid by the buyer of the facility to specified individuals employed by the facility at the time of purchase, as specified under the purchase agreement, shall be excluded from payroll for purposes of this section.

In order to provide certainty with respect to investments in manufacturing facilities pertaining to all initial applications for exemption filed on or after January 1, 2016, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) "base payroll" shall mean total payroll adjusted for any nonrecurring bonuses, exercise of stock option or stock rights and other nonrecurring, extraordinary items included in total payroll, and
- (2) "initial payroll" shall mean base payroll for the year immediately preceding the initial construction, acquisition or expansion.

The Tax Commission shall verify payroll information through the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission by using reports from the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission for the calendar year immediately preceding the year for which initial application is made for

base-line payroll, which must be maintained or increased for each subsequent year; provided, a manufacturing facility shall have the option of excluding from its payroll, for purposes of this section:

- of a partnership, members of a limited liability company who own at least ten percent (10%) of the capital of the limited liability company or stockholder-employees of a corporation who own at least ten percent (10%) of the stock in the corporation, and
- ii. any nonrecurring bonuses, exercise of stock option or stock rights or other nonrecurring, extraordinary items included in total payroll numbers as reported by the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission. A manufacturing facility electing either option shall indicate such election upon its application for an exemption under this section. Any manufacturing facility electing either option shall submit

such information as the Tax Commission
may require in order to verify payroll
information. Payroll information
submitted pursuant to the provisions of
this paragraph shall be submitted to
the Tax Commission and shall be subject
to the provisions of Section 205 of
this title, and

b. the facility offers, or will offer within one hundred eighty (180) days of the date of employment, a basic health benefits plan to the full-time-equivalent employees of the facility, which is determined by the Department of Commerce to consist of the elements specified in subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 3603 of this title or elements substantially equivalent thereto.

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For purposes of this section, calculation of the amount of increased base payroll shall be measured from the start of initial construction or expansion to the completion of such construction or expansion or for three (3) years from the start of initial construction or expansion, whichever occurs first. The amount of increased base payroll shall include payroll for full-time-equivalent employees in this state who are employed by an entity other than the facility which has previously or is currently

qualified to receive an exemption pursuant to the provisions of this section and who are leased or otherwise provided to the facility, if such employment did not exist in this state prior to the start of initial construction or expansion of the facility. manufacturing concern shall submit an affidavit to the Tax Commission, signed by an officer, stating that the construction, acquisition or expansion of the facility will result in a net increase in the annualized base payroll as required by this paragraph and that full-time-equivalent employees of the facility are or will be offered a basic health benefits plan as required by this paragraph. If, after the completion of such construction or expansion or after three (3) years from the start of initial construction or expansion, whichever occurs first, the construction, acquisition or expansion has not resulted in a net increase in the amount of annualized base payroll, if required, or any other qualification specified in this paragraph has not been met, the manufacturing concern shall pay an amount equal to the amount of any exemption granted, including penalties and interest thereon, to the Tax Commission for deposit to the Ad Valorem Reimbursement Fund;

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5. If a facility fails to meet the base payroll requirement of subparagraph a of paragraph 4 of this subsection, the payroll requirement shall be waived for claims for exemptions, including claims previously denied or on appeal on June 1, 2009, for all initial applications for exemption filed on or after January 1,

2004, and on or before March 31, 2009, and all subsequent annual exemption applications filed related to such initial application for exemption, for an applicant, if the facility:

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- a. has been located for at least five (5) years as of

 March 31, 2009, in a county in Oklahoma with a

 population of six hundred thousand (600,000) or more,
- b. is owned by an applicant that has been engaged in manufacturing as defined under U.S. Industry Numbers 323110, 323111, 323121 and 323122 of the NAICS Manual, latest revision,
- c. is owned by an applicant that maintains a workforce of at least three hundred (300) employees on June 1, 2009,
- d. is owned by an applicant that has filed multiple applications for exemption pursuant to this section, and
- e. is owned by an applicant that operates at least one facility in this state of at least seven hundred thirty thousand (730,000) square feet on June 1, 2009.

In the event that any applicant obtaining a waiver of the payroll requirement pursuant to this paragraph ceases to operate all of its facilities in this state on or before a date that is four (4) years after any initial application for an exemption is filed by such applicant, all sums of property taxes exempted under this paragraph

- through a waiver of the payroll requirement that relate to such

 application shall become due and payable as if such sums were

 assessed in the year in which the applicant ceases to operate all of

 its facilities in the state;
- 5 6. Any new, acquired or expanded automotive final assembly manufacturing facility which does not meet the requirements of 6 7 paragraph 4 of this subsection shall be granted an exemption only if 8 all other requirements of this section are met and only if the 9 investment cost of the construction, acquisition or expansion of the 10 manufacturing facility is Three Hundred Million Dollars 11 (\$300,000,000.00) or more and the manufacturing facility retains an 12 average employment of one thousand seven hundred fifty (1,750) or 13 more full-time-equivalent employees in the year in which the 14 exemption is initially granted and in each of the four (4) 15 subsequent years only if an average employment of one thousand seven 16 hundred fifty (1,750) or more full-time-equivalent employees is 17 maintained in the subsequent year. Any property installed to 18 replace property damaged by the tornado or natural disaster that 19 occurred May 8, 2003, may continue to receive the exemption provided 20 in this paragraph for the full five-year period based on the value 21 of the previously qualifying assets as of January 1, 2003. 22 exemption shall continue in effect as long as all other 23 qualifications in this paragraph are met. If the average employment 24 of one thousand seven hundred fifty (1,750) or more full-time-

equivalent employees is reduced as a result of temporary layoffs because of a tornado or natural disaster on May 8, 2003, then the average employment requirement shall be waived for year 2003 of the exemption period. Calculation of the number of employees shall be made in the same manner as required under Section 2357.4 of this title for an investment tax credit. As used in this paragraph, "expand" and "expansion" shall mean and include any increase to the size or scope of a facility as well as any renovation, restoration, replacement or remodeling of a facility which permits the manufacturing of a new or redesigned product;

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- 7. Any new, acquired, or expanded computer data processing, data preparation, or information processing services provider classified in Industrial Group Number 7374 of the SIC Manual, latest revision, and U.S. Industry Number 514210 of the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) Manual, latest revision, may apply for exemptions under this section for each year in which new, acquired, or expanded capital improvements to the facility are made if:
 - a. there is a net increase in annualized payroll of the applicant at any facility or facilities of the applicant in this state of at least Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), which is attributable to the capital improvements, or a net increase of Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000.00) or more in

capital improvements, while maintaining or increasing
payroll at the facility or facilities in this state
which are included in the application, and

- b. the facility offers, or will offer within one hundred eighty (180) days of the date of employment of new employees attributable to the capital improvements, a basic health benefits plan to the full-time-equivalent employees of the facility, which is determined by the Department of Commerce to consist of the elements specified in subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 3603 of this title or elements substantially equivalent thereto;
- 8. An Effective January 1, 2017, an entity engaged in electric power generation by means of wind, as described by the North American Industry Classification System, No. 221119, which does not meet the requirements of paragraph 4 of this subsection shall be granted an exemption only if all other requirements of this section are met and only if there is a net increase in annualized payroll at the facility of at least Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) or a net increase of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) or more in capital improvements while maintaining or increasing payroll shall not be defined as a qualifying manufacturing concern for purposes of the exemption otherwise authorized pursuant to Section 6B of Article X of the Oklahoma

Constitution or qualify as a "manufacturing facility" as defined in
this section. No initial application for exemption shall be filed
by or accepted from an entity engaged in electric power generation
by means of wind on or after January 1, 2018; and

- 9. An entity or applicant engaged in an industry as defined under U.S. Industry Number 324110 of the NAICS Manual, latest revision, which has applied for or been granted an exemption for a time period which began on or after calendar year 2012 and before calendar year 2016 but which did not meet the payroll requirements of subparagraph a of paragraph 4 of this subsection because of nonrecurring bonuses, exercise of stock option or stock rights or other nonrecurring, extraordinary items included in total payroll in the previous year, shall be allowed an exemption, beginning with calendar year 2016, for the number of years, including the calendar year for which the exemption was denied, remaining in the entity's five-year exemption period, provided such entity attains or increases payroll at or above the initial or base payroll established for the exemption.
- D. 1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 of this subsection, the five-year period of exemption from ad valorem taxes for any qualifying manufacturing facility property shall begin on January 1 following the initial qualifying use of the property in the manufacturing process.

2. The five-year period of exemption from ad valorem taxes for any qualifying manufacturing facility, as defined in subparagraph c of paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section which is located within a tax incentive district created pursuant to the Local Development Act by a county having a population of at least five hundred thousand (500,000), according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, shall begin on January 1 following the expiration or termination of the ad valorem exemption, abatement, or other incentive provided through the tax incentive district.

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Ε. Any person, firm or corporation claiming the exemption herein provided for shall file each year for which exemption is claimed, an application therefor with the county assessor of the county in which the new, expanded or acquired facility is located. The application shall be on a form or forms prescribed by the Tax Commission, and shall be filed on or before March 15, except as provided in Section 2902.1 of this title, of each year in which the facility desires to take the exemption or within thirty (30) days from and after receipt by such person, firm or corporation of notice of valuation increase, whichever is later. In a case where completion of the facility or facilities will occur after January 1 of a given year, a facility may apply to claim the ad valorem tax exemption for that year. If such facility is found to be qualified for exemption, the ad valorem tax exemption provided for herein shall be granted for that entire year and shall apply to the ad

valorem valuation as of January 1 of that given year. For applicants which qualify under the provisions of subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section, the application shall include a copy of the affidavit and any other information required to be filed with the Tax Commission.

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The application shall be examined by the county assessor and approved or rejected in the same manner as provided by law for approval or rejection of claims for homestead exemptions. taxpayer shall have the same right of review by and appeal from the county board of equalization, in the same manner and subject to the same requirements as provided by law for review and appeals concerning homestead exemption claims. Approved applications shall be filed by the county assessor with the Tax Commission no later than June 15, except as provided in Section 2902.1 of this title, of the year in which the facility desires to take the exemption. Incomplete applications and applications filed after June 15 will be declared null and void by the Tax Commission. In the event that a taxpayer qualified to receive an exemption pursuant to the provisions of this section shall make payment of ad valorem taxes in excess of the amount due, the county treasurer shall have the authority to credit the taxpayer's real or personal property tax overpayment against current taxes due. The county treasurer may establish a schedule of up to five (5) years of credit to resolve the overpayment.

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G. Nothing herein shall in any manner affect, alter or impair any law relating to the assessment of property, and all property, real or personal, which may be entitled to exemption hereunder shall be valued and assessed as is other like property and as provided by law. The valuation and assessment of property for which an exemption is granted hereunder shall be performed by the Tax Commission.
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- H. The Tax Commission shall have the authority and duty to prescribe forms and to promulgate rules as may be necessary to carry out and administer the terms and provisions of this section.
- 11 SECTION 40. REPEALER 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2902, as last
 12 amended by Section 2, Chapter 335, O.S.L. 2015 (68 O.S. Supp. 2015,
 13 Section 2902), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 41. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3-132, as

 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 170, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.

 2015, Section 3-132), is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 3-132. A. The Oklahoma Charter Schools Act shall apply only to charter schools formed and operated under the provisions of the act. Charter schools shall be sponsored only as follows:
 - 1. By any school district located in the State of Oklahoma, provided such charter school shall only be located within the geographical boundaries of the sponsoring district and subject to the restrictions of Section 3-145.6 of this title;

2. By a technology center school district if the charter school is located in a school district served by the technology center school district in which all or part of the school district is located in a county having more than five hundred thousand (500,000) population according to the latest Federal Decennial Census;

- 3. By a technology center school district if the charter school is located in a school district served by the technology center school district and the school district has a school site that has been identified as in need of improvement by the State Board of Education pursuant to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended or reauthorized;
- 4. By an accredited comprehensive or regional institution that is a member of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education or a community college if the charter school is located in a school district in which all or part of the school district is located in a county having more than five hundred thousand (500,000) population according to the latest Federal Decennial Census;
- 5. By a comprehensive or regional institution that is a member of The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education if the charter school is located in a school district that has a school site that has been identified as in need of improvement by the State Board of Education pursuant to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended or reauthorized. In addition, the institution shall have a teacher education program accredited by the Oklahoma

Commission for Teacher Preparation and have a branch campus or constituent agency physically located within the school district in which the charter school is located in the State of Oklahoma;

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- 6. By a federally recognized Indian tribe, operating a high school under the authority of the Bureau of Indian Affairs as of November 1, 2010, if the charter school is for the purpose of demonstrating native language immersion instruction, and is located within its former reservation or treaty area boundaries. For purposes of this paragraph, native language immersion instruction shall require that educational instruction and other activities conducted at the school site are primarily conducted in the native language;
- 7. By the State Board of Education when the applicant of the charter school is the Office of Juvenile Affairs or the applicant has a contract with the Office of Juvenile Affairs to provide a fixed rate level E, D, or D+ group home service and the charter school is for the purpose of providing education services to youth in the custody or supervision of the state. Not more than two charter schools shall be sponsored by the Board as provided for in this paragraph during the period of time beginning July 1, 2010, through July 1, 2016; or
- 8. By a federally recognized Indian tribe only when the charter school is located within the former reservation or treaty area boundaries of the tribe on property held in trust by the Bureau of

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Indian Affairs of the United States Department of the Interior for the benefit of the tribe; or

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- 9. By the State Board of Education when the applicant has first been denied a charter by the local school district in which it seeks to operate. In counties with fewer than five hundred thousand (500,000) population, according to the latest Federal Decennial Census, the State Board of Education shall not sponsor more than five charter schools per year each year for the first five (5) years after the effective date of this act, with not more than one charter school sponsored in a single school district per year. In order to authorize a charter school under this section, the State Board of Education shall find evidence of all of the following:
 - a. a thorough and high-quality charter school application from the applicant based on the authorizing standards in subsection B of Section 3-134 of this title,
 - b. a clear demonstration of community support for the charter school, and
 - c. the grounds and basis of objection by the school district for denying the operation of the charter are not supported by the greater weight of evidence and the strength of the application.
- B. An eligible non-school-district sponsor shall give priority to opening charter schools that serve at-risk student populations or students from low-performing traditional public schools.

C. An eligible non-school-district sponsor shall give priority to applicants that have demonstrated a record of operating at least one school or similar program that demonstrates academic success and organizational viability and serves student populations similar to those the proposed charter school seeks to serve. In assessing the potential for quality replication of a charter school, a sponsor shall consider the following factors before approving a new site or school:

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- 1. Evidence of a strong and reliable record of academic success based primarily on student performance data, as well as other viable indicators, including financial and operational success;
 - 2. A sound, detailed, and well-supported growth plan;
- 3. Evidence of the ability to transfer successful practices to a potentially different context that includes reproducing critical cultural, organizational and instructional characteristics;
- 4. Any management organization involved in a potential replication is fully vetted, and the academic, financial and operational records of the schools it operates are found to be satisfactory;
- 5. Evidence the program seeking to be replicated has the capacity to do so successfully without diminishing or putting at risk its current operations; and
- 6. A financial structure that ensures that funds attributable to each charter school within a network and required by law to be

- utilized by a school remain with and are used to benefit that school.
- D. For purposes of the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act, "charter school" means a public school established by contract with a board of education of a school district, a conversion charter school, an area vocational-technical school district, a higher education institution, a federally recognized Indian tribe, or the State Board of Education pursuant to the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act to provide learning that will improve student achievement and as defined in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, 20 U.S.C. 8065.
- E. For the purposes of the Oklahoma Charter Schools Act,

 "conversion charter school" means a charter school created by

 converting all or any part of a traditional public school into a

 charter school which may be operated by the school district board of

 education or by an independent operating board elected by and

 accountable to the school district board of education.
- F. A charter school may consist of a new school site, new school sites or all or any portion of an existing school site. An entire school district may not become a charter school site.
- 20 SECTION 42. REPEALER 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3-132, as
 21 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 205, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.
 22 2015, Section 3-132), is hereby repealed.

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        SECTION 43.
                        AMENDATORY
                                       70 O.S. 2011, Section 3311, as
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    last amended by Section 1, Chapter 83, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp.
    2015, Section 3311), is amended to read as follows:
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        Section 3311. A. There is hereby created a Council on Law
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    Enforcement Education and Training which shall be, and is hereby
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    Oklahoma. These rights, privileges and functions include, but are
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    not limited to, those specified in Sections 3311 through 3311.14 of
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    Act. The Council shall be composed of thirteen (13) members as
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- 1. The Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, or designee;
- 2. The Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, or designee;
- 3. The Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, or designee;

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4. One member appointed by the Governor who shall be a law enforcement administrator representing a tribal law enforcement agency;

- 5. One member appointed by the Governor who shall be a chief of police of a municipality with a population over one hundred thousand (100,000), as determined by the latest Federal Decennial Census;
- 6. One member appointed by the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' and Peace Officers Association who shall be a sheriff of a county with a population under fifty thousand (50,000), as determined by the latest Federal Decennial Census;
- 7. One member appointed by the Oklahoma Association of Police Chiefs who shall be a chief of police representing a municipality with a population over ten thousand (10,000), as determined by the latest Federal Decennial Census;
- 8. One member shall be appointed by the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Sheriffs' Association who shall be a sheriff of a county with a population of one hundred thousand (100,000) or more, as determined by the latest Federal Decennial Census;
- 9. One member appointed by the Board of Directors of the Fraternal Order of Police who shall have experience as a training officer;
- 10. One member appointed by the Chancellor of Higher Education who shall be a representative of East Central University;

11. One member who is the immediate past chair of the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training;

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- 12. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall appoint one member from a list of three or more nominees submitted by a statewide organization representing cities and towns that is exempt from taxation under federal law and designated pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C., Section 170(a); and
- 13. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from a list of three or more nominees submitted by an organization that assists in the establishment of accreditation standards and training programs for law enforcement agencies throughout the State of Oklahoma.

The Executive Director selected by the Council shall be an ex officio member of the Council and shall act as Secretary. The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training shall select a chair and vice-chair from among its members. Members of the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training shall not receive a salary for duties performed as members of the Council, but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of Council duties pursuant to the provisions of the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

B. The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training is hereby authorized and directed to:

1. Appoint a larger Advisory Council to discuss problems and hear recommendations concerning necessary research, minimum standards, educational needs, and other matters imperative to upgrading Oklahoma law enforcement to professional status;

- 2. Promulgate rules with respect to such matters as certification, revocation, suspension, withdrawal and reinstatement of certification, minimum courses of study, testing and test scores, attendance requirements, equipment and facilities, minimum qualifications for instructors, minimum standards for basic and advanced in-service courses, and seminars for Oklahoma police and peace officers;
- 3. Authorize research, basic and advanced courses, and seminars to assist in program planning directly and through subcommittees;
- 4. Authorize additional staff and services necessary for program expansion;
- 5. Recommend legislation necessary to upgrade Oklahoma law enforcement to professional status;
- 6. Establish policies and regulations concerning the number, geographic and police unit distribution, and admission requirements of those receiving tuition or scholarship aid available through the Council. Such waiver of costs shall be limited to duly appointed members of legally constituted local, county, and state law enforcement agencies on the basis of educational and financial need;

7. Appoint an Executive Director and an Assistant Director to direct the staff, inform the Council of compliance with the provisions of this section and perform such other duties imposed on the Council by law. An Executive Director appointed by the Council must qualify for the position with a bachelor or higher degree in law enforcement from an accredited college or university, or a bachelor or higher degree in a law-enforcement-related subject area, and a minimum of five (5) years of active law enforcement experience including, but not limited to, responsibility for enforcement, investigation, administration, training, or curriculum implementation.

The Executive Director of the Council on Law Enforcement

Education and Training may commission CLEET staff as peace officers

for purposes consistent with the duties of CLEET as set out in state

law. The powers and duties conferred on the Executive Director or

any staff member appointed by the Executive Director as a peace

officer shall not limit the powers and duties of other peace

officers of this state or any political subdivision thereof. The

Executive Director or any staff member appointed by the Executive

Director as a peace officer may, upon request, assist any federal,

state, county or municipal law enforcement agency;

8. Enter into contracts and agreements for the payment of classroom space, food, and lodging expenses as may be necessary for law enforcement officers attending any official course of

1 instruction approved or conducted by the Council. Such expenses may be paid directly to the contracting agency or business establishment. The food and lodging expenses for each law 3 enforcement officer shall not exceed the authorized rates as 5 provided for in the State Travel Reimbursement Act; provided, however, the Council may provide food and lodging to law enforcement 6 7 officials attending any official course of instruction approved or 8 conducted by the Council rather than paying for the provision of 9 such food and lodging by an outside contracting agency or business 10 establishment;

- 9. a. Certify canine teams, consisting of a dog and a handler working together as a team, trained to detect:
 - (1) controlled dangerous substances, or

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(2) explosives, explosive materials, explosive devices, or materials which could be used to construct an explosive device;

provided, the dog of a certified canine team shall not be certified at any time as both a drug dog and a bomb dog, and any dog of a certified canine team who has been previously certified as either a drug dog or a bomb dog shall not be eligible at any time to be certified in the other category.

b. Upon retiring the dog from the service it was certified to perform, the law enforcement department

that handled the dog shall retain possession of the dog. The handler shall have first option of adopting the dog. If that option is not exercised, the law enforcement department shall provide for its adoption. Once adopted the dog shall not be placed back into active service;

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Enter into a lease, loan or other agreement with the 10. Oklahoma Development Finance Authority or a local public trust for the purpose of facilitating the financing of a new facility for its operations and use and pledge, to the extent authorized by law, all or a portion of its receipts of the assessment penalty herein referenced for the payment of its obligations under such lease, loan or other agreement. It is the intent of the Legislature to increase the assessment penalty to such a level or appropriate sufficient monies to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training to make payments on the lease, loan or other agreement for the purpose of retiring the bonds to be issued by the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority or local public trust. Such lease, loan or other agreement and the bonds issued to finance such facilities shall not constitute an indebtedness of the State of Oklahoma or be backed by the full faith and credit of the State of Oklahoma, and the lease, loan or other agreement and the bonds shall contain a statement to such effect;

11. Accept gifts, bequests, devises, contributions and grants, public or private, of real or personal property;

- 12. Appoint an advisory committee composed of representatives from security guard and private investigative agencies to advise the Council concerning necessary research, minimum standards for licensure, education, and other matters related to licensure of security guards, security guard agencies, private investigators, and private investigative agencies;
- 13. Enter into agreements with individuals, educational institutions, agencies, and business and tribal entities for professional services, the use of facilities and supplies, and staff overtime costs incurred as a result of the user's requests to schedule functions after-hours, on weekends, or anytime such requests extend staff beyond its normal capacity, whereby contracting individuals, educational institutions, agencies, and business and tribal entities shall pay a fee to be determined by the Council by rule. All fees collected pursuant to these agreements shall be deposited to the credit of the C.L.E.E.T. Training Center Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 3311.6 of this title. The Council is authorized to promulgate emergency rules to effectuate the provisions of this paragraph;
- 14. Promulgate rules to establish a state firearms requalification standard for active peace officers and meet any

requirements imposed on the Council by the federal Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004;

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- 15. Set minimal criteria relating to qualifications for chief of police administrative training pursuant to Section 34-102 of Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes, assist in developing a course of training for a Police Chief Administrative School, and approve all police chief administrative training offered in this state;
- 16. Appoint a Curriculum Review Board to be composed of six (6) members as follows:
 - a. one member shall be selected by the Chancellor for

 Higher Education, who possesses a background of

 creation and review of curriculum and experience

 teaching criminal justice or law enforcement courses,

 who shall serve an initial term of one (1) year,
 - b. one member shall represent a municipal jurisdiction with a population of fifty thousand (50,000) or more and who shall be a management-level CLEET-certified training officer, who shall serve an initial term of two (2) years,
 - c. one member shall represent a county jurisdiction with a population of fifty thousand (50,000) or more and who shall be a management-level CLEET-certified training officer, who shall serve an initial term of three (3) years,

d. one member shall represent a municipal jurisdiction with a population of less than fifty thousand (50,000) and who shall be a CLEET-certified training officer, who shall serve an initial term of two (2) years,

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- e. one member shall represent a county jurisdiction with a population of less than fifty thousand (50,000) and who shall be a CLEET-certified training officer, who shall serve an initial term of one (1) year, and
- f. one member selected by the Oklahoma Department of

 Career and Technology Education from the Curriculum

 Material and Instructional Material Center, who shall

 serve an initial term of three (3) years.

After the initial terms of office, all members shall be appointed to serve three-year terms. Any member may be reappointed to serve consecutive terms. Members shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for travel expenses pursuant to the State Travel Reimbursement Act. The Board shall review and establish curriculum for all CLEET academies and training courses pursuant to procedures established by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training;

- 17. Conduct review and verification of any records relating to the statutory duties of CLEET;
- 18. Receive requested reports including investigative reports, court documents, statements, or other applicable information from

local, county and state agencies and other agencies for use in actions where a certification or license issued by CLEET may be subject to disciplinary or other actions provided by law;

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- 19. Summarily suspend a certification of a peace officer, without prior notice but otherwise subject to administrative proceedings, if CLEET finds that the actions of the certified peace officer may present a danger to the peace officer, the public, a family or household member, or involve a crime against a minor. A certified copy of the information or indictment charging such a crime shall be considered clear and convincing evidence of the charge; and
- 20. Approve law enforcement agencies and police departments in accordance with the following:
 - a. this section applies only to an entity authorized by statute or by the Constitution to create a law enforcement agency or police department and commission, appoint, or employ officers that first creates or reactivates an inactive law enforcement agency or police department and first begins to commission, appoint, or employ officers on or after November 1, 2011,
 - the entity shall submit to CLEET, a minimum of sixty(60) days prior to creation of the law enforcementagency or police department, information regarding:

1 (1)the need for the law enforcement agency or police 2 department in the community, the funding sources for the law enforcement 3 (2) agency or police department, and proof that no 5 more than fifty percent (50%) of the funding of 6 the entity will be derived from ticket revenue or 7 fines, 8 (3) the physical resources available to officers, 9 (4)the physical facilities that the law enforcement 10 agency or police department will operate, 11 including descriptions of the evidence room, 12 dispatch area, restroom facilities, and public 1.3 area, 14 law enforcement policies of the law enforcement (5) 15 agency or police department, including published 16 policies on: 17 (a) use of force, 18 (b) vehicle pursuit, 19 mental health, (C) 20 professional conduct of officers, (d) 2.1 (e) domestic abuse, 22 response to missing persons, (f)23 supervision of part-time officers, and (q) 24 impartial policing, (h)

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- (6) the administrative structure of the law enforcement agency or police department,
- (7) liability insurance, and
- (8) any other information CLEET requires by rule,
- request, CLEET will forward to the entity by certified mail, return receipt requested, a letter of authorization or denial to create a law enforcement agency or police department and commission, appoint, or employ officers, signed by the Executive Director of CLEET, and
- d. in cases of denial, the entity may appeal the decision of the Executive Director to the full CLEET Council. The Executive Director shall ensure that the final report is provided to all members of the Council. The Council shall review and make recommendations concerning the report at the first meeting of the Council to occur after all members of the Council have received the report. The Council may, by majority vote:
 - (1) order additional information be provided,
 - (2) order confirmation of the opinion of the Executive Director, or
 - (3) order authorization of the entity.

C. 1. Payment of any fee provided for in this section may be made by a nationally recognized credit or debit card issued to the applicant. The Council may publicly post and collect a fee for the acceptance of the nationally recognized credit or debit card not to exceed five percent (5%) of the amount of the payment. For purposes of this subsection, "nationally recognized credit card" means any instrument or device, whether known as a credit card, credit plate, charge plate, or by any other name, issued with or without fee by an issuer for the use of the cardholder in obtaining goods, services, or anything else of value and which is accepted by over one thousand merchants in this state. "Debit card" means an identification card or device issued to a person by a business organization which permits such person to obtain access to or activate a consumer banking electronic facility. The Council shall determine which nationally recognized credit or debit cards will be accepted as payment for fees.

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- 2. Payment for any fee provided for in this title may be made by a business check. The Council may:
 - a. add an amount equal to the amount of the service charge incurred, not to exceed three percent (3%) of the amount of the check as a service charge for the acceptance and verification of the check, or
 - b. add an amount of no more than Five Dollars (\$5.00) as a service charge for the acceptance and verification

1 of a check. For purposes of this subsection, "business check" shall not mean a money order, cashier's check, or bank certified check.

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- Failure of the Legislature to appropriate necessary funds to provide for expenses and operations of the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training shall not invalidate other provisions of this section relating to the creation and duties of the Council.
- Ε. 1. No person shall be eligible for employment as a peace officer or reserve peace officer until the employing law enforcement agency has conducted a background investigation of such person consisting of the following:
 - a fingerprint search submitted to the Oklahoma State a. Bureau of Investigation with a return report to the submitting agency that such person has no felony record,
 - b. a fingerprint search submitted to the Federal Bureau of Investigation with a return report to the submitting agency that such person has no felony record,
 - C. such person has undergone psychological evaluation by a psychologist licensed by the State of Oklahoma and has been evaluated to be suitable to serve as a peace officer in the State of Oklahoma,

d. the employing agency has verified that such person has a high school diploma or a GED equivalency certificate as recognized by state law,

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- e. such person is not participating in a deferred sentence agreement for a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude or a crime of domestic violence, and does not have any criminal charges pending in any court in this state, another state, in tribal court or pursuant to the United States Code,
- f. such person is not currently subject to an order of the Council revoking, suspending, or accepting a voluntary surrender of peace officer certification,
- g. such person is not currently undergoing treatment for a mental illness, condition or disorder. For purposes of this subsection, "currently undergoing treatment for mental illness, condition or disorder" means the person has been diagnosed by a licensed physician or psychologist, or licensed mental health professional as being afflicted with a substantial disorder of thought, mood, perception, psychological orientation or memory that significantly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or ability to meet the ordinary demands of life and such condition continues to exist,

h. such person is twenty-one (21) years of age.

Provided, this requirement shall not affect those

persons who are already employed as a police or peace

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- i. such person has provided proof of United States citizenship or resident alien status, pursuant to an employment eligibility verification form from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- 2. To aid the evaluating psychologist in interpreting the test results, including automated scoring and interpretations, the employing agency shall provide the psychologist a statement confirming the identity of the individual taking the test as the person who is employed or seeking employment as a peace officer of the agency and attesting that it administered the psychological instrument in accordance with standards within the test document. The psychologist shall report to the employing agency the evaluation of the assessment instrument and may include any additional recommendations to assist the employing agency in determining whether to certify to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training that the person being evaluated is suitable to serve as a peace officer in the State of Oklahoma. No additional procedures or requirements shall be imposed for performance of the psychological evaluation. The psychological instrument utilized shall be evaluated by a psychologist licensed by the State of Oklahoma, and

the employing agency shall certify to the Council that the evaluation was conducted in accordance with this provision and that the employee or applicant is suitable to serve as a peace officer in the State of Oklahoma.

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- a. Any person found not to be suitable for employment or certification by the Council shall not be employed, retained in employment as a peace officer, or certified by the Council for at least one (1) year, at which time the employee or applicant may be reevaluated by a psychologist licensed by the State of Oklahoma. This section shall also be applicable to all reserve peace officers in the State of Oklahoma.
- b. Any person who is certified by CLEET and has undergone the psychological evaluation required by this subparagraph and has been found to be suitable as a peace officer shall not be required to be reevaluated for any subsequent employment as a peace officer following retirement or any break in service as a peace officer, unless such break in service exceeds five (5) years or the Council determines that a peace officer may present a danger to himself or herself, the public, or a family or household member.
- c. All persons seeking certification shall have their name, gender, date of birth, and address of such

person submitted to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services by the Council. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall respond to the Council within ten (10) days whether the computerized records of the Department indicate the applicant has ever been involuntarily committed to an Oklahoma state mental institution. In the event that the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services reports to the Council that the applicant has been involuntarily committed, the Council shall immediately inform the employing agency.

All basic police courses shall include a minimum of four (4) hours of education and training in recognizing and managing a person appearing to require mental health treatment or services. The training shall include training in crime and drug prevention, crisis intervention, youth and family intervention techniques, recognizing, investigating and preventing abuse and exploitation of elderly persons, mental health issues, and criminal jurisdiction on Sovereign Indian Land.

Subject to the availability of funding, for full-time salaried police or peace officers a basic police course academy shall consist of a minimum of six hundred (600) hours.

For reserve deputies a basic reserve academy shall consist of a minimum of two hundred forty (240) hours.

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Beginning January 1, 2014, any reserve peace officer who has completed the two-hundred-forty-hour reserve peace officer certification program, and who has been in active service in that capacity for the past two (2) consecutive years, shall be eligible to attend a three-hundred-sixty-hour basic full-time training academy to become certified as a full-time police or peace officer.

- 3. Every person who has not been certified as a police or peace officer and is duly appointed or elected as a police or peace officer shall hold such position on a temporary basis only, and shall, within six (6) months from the date of appointment or taking office, qualify as required in this subsection or forfeit such position. In computing the time for qualification, all service shall be cumulative from date of first appointment or taking office as a police or peace officer with any department in this state.
 - a. The Council may extend the time requirement specified in this paragraph for good cause as determined by the Council.
 - b. A duty is hereby imposed upon the employing agency to withhold payment of the compensation or wage of such unqualified officer.
 - c. If the police or peace officer fails to forfeit the position or the employing agency fails to require the

officer to forfeit the position, the district attorney shall file the proper action to cause the forfeiting of such position. The district court of the county where the officer is employed shall have jurisdiction to hear the case.

4. The Council may certify officers who have completed a course of study in another state deemed by the Council to meet standards for Oklahoma peace officers providing the officer's certification in the other state has not been revoked or voluntarily surrendered and is not currently under suspension.

5. For purposes of this section, a police or peace officer is defined as a full-time duly appointed or elected officer who is paid for working more than twenty-five (25) hours per week and whose duties are to preserve the public peace, protect life and property, prevent crime, serve warrants, transport prisoners, and enforce laws and ordinances of this state, or any political subdivision thereof; provided, elected sheriffs and their deputies and elected, appointed, or acting chiefs of police shall meet the requirements of this subsection within the first six (6) months after assuming the duties of the office to which they are elected or appointed or for which they are an acting chief; provided further, that this section shall not apply to persons designated by the Director of the Department of Corrections as peace officers pursuant to Section 510 of Title 57 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

F. No person shall be certified as a police or peace officer by the Council or be employed by the state, a county, a city, or any political subdivision thereof, who is currently subject to an order of the Council revoking, suspending, or accepting a voluntary surrender of peace officer certification or who has been convicted of a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude, or a crime of domestic violence, unless a full pardon has been granted by the proper agency; however, any person who has been trained and certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training and is actively employed as a full-time peace officer as of November 1, 1985, shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection for convictions occurring prior to November 1, 1985.

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- G. 1. The Council is hereby authorized to provide to any employing agency the following information regarding a person who is or has applied for employment as a police or peace officer of such employing agency:
 - a. Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation and Federal Bureau of Investigation reports,
 - administration of the psychological tests provided for herein,
 - c. performance in the course of study or other basis of certification,
 - d. previous certifications issued, and

e. any administrative or judicial determination denying certification.

- 2. An employing agency shall not be liable in any action arising out of the release of contents of personnel information relevant to the qualifications or ability of a person to perform the duties of a police or peace officer when such information is released pursuant to written authorization for release of information signed by such person and is provided to another employing agency which has employed or has received an application for employment from such person.
- 3. As used in this subsection, "employing agency" means a political subdivision or law enforcement agency which either has employed or received an employment application from a person who, if employed, would be subject to this section.
- H. 1. A law enforcement agency employing police or peace officers in this state shall report the hiring, resignation, or termination for any reason of a police or peace officer to the Council within ten (10) days. Failure to comply with the provisions of this subsection may disqualify a law enforcement agency from participating in training programs sponsored by the Council. Every law enforcement agency employing police or peace officers in this state shall submit to CLEET on or before October 1 of each calendar year a complete list of all commissioned employees with a current mailing address and phone number for each such employee. In

addition to the above, CLEET may impose an administrative fine for violations of this section.

- 2. A tribal law enforcement agency that has peace officers commissioned by an Oklahoma law enforcement agency pursuant to a cross-deputization agreement with the State of Oklahoma or any political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma pursuant to the provisions of Section 1221 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall report the commissioning, resignation, or termination of commission for any reason of a cross-deputized tribal police or peace officer to CLEET within ten (10) days of the commissioning, resignation, or termination. Failure to comply with the provisions of this subsection may disqualify a tribal law enforcement agency from participating in training programs sponsored by the Council.
- I. It is unlawful for any person to willfully make any statement in an application to CLEET knowing the statement is false or intentionally commit fraud in any application to the Council for attendance in any CLEET-conducted or CLEET-approved peace officer academy or Collegiate Officer Program or for the purpose of obtaining peace officer certification or reinstatement. It is unlawful for any person to willfully submit false or fraudulent documents relating to continuing education rosters, transcripts or certificates, or any canine license application. Any person convicted of a violation of this subsection shall be guilty of a felony punishable by imprisonment in the Department of Corrections

for a term of not less than two (2) years nor more than five (5)

years, or by a fine not exceeding Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00),

or by both such fine and imprisonment. In addition to the above,

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- J. 1. A police or peace officer shall be subject to disciplinary action to include a denial, suspension, revocation or acceptance of voluntary surrender of peace officer certification upon a showing of clear and convincing evidence for the following:
 - a. conviction of a felony or a crime of domestic violence,
 - b. conviction of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; provided, if the conviction is a single isolated incident that occurred more than five (5) years ago and the Council is satisfied that the person has been sufficiently rehabilitated, the Council may, in its discretion, certify such person providing that all other statutory requirements have been met,
 - c. a verdict of guilt or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere or an "Alford" plea or any plea other than a not guilty plea for a felony offense, a crime of moral turpitude, or a crime of domestic violence,
 - d. falsification or a willful misrepresentation of information in an employment application or application to the Council on Law Enforcement

Education and Training, records of evidence, or in testimony under oath,

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- e. revocation or voluntary surrender of police or peace officer certification in another state for a violation of any law or rule or in settlement of any disciplinary action in such state,
- f. involuntary commitment of a reserve or peace officer in a mental institution or licensed private mental health facility for any mental illness, condition or disorder that is diagnosed by a licensed physician or, psychologist or a licensed mental health professional as a substantial disorder of thought, mood, perception, psychological orientation, or memory that significantly impairs judgment, behavior, capacity to recognize reality, or ability to meet the ordinary demands of life. Provided, the peace officer certification may be reinstated upon the Council receiving notification of a psychological evaluation conducted by a licensed physician or, psychologist or licensed mental health professional which attests and states by affidavit that the officer and the evaluation test data of the officer have been examined and that, in the professional opinion of the physician or, psychologist or licensed mental health

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professional, the officer is psychologically suitable to return to duty as a peace officer. Notwithstanding any other provision of state law pertaining to confidentiality of hospital or other medical records, and as allowable under federal law, CLEET may subpoena or request a court to subpoena records necessary to assure compliance with these provisions. Any confidential information received by CLEET for such purpose shall retain its confidential character while in the possession of CLEET,

- g. abuse of office,
- entry of a final order of protection against applicant or officer, or
- i. any violation of the Oklahoma Private Security Licensing Act.
- 2. Disciplinary proceedings shall be commenced by filing a complaint with the Council on a form approved by the Council. Any employing agency or other person having information may submit such information to the Council for consideration as provided in this subsection.
- 3. Upon the filing of the complaint, a preliminary investigation shall be conducted to determine whether:

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a. there is reason to believe the person has violated any provision of this subsection or any other provision of law or rule, or

- b. there is reason to believe the person has been convicted of a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude or a domestic violence offense or is currently participating in a deferred sentence for such offenses.
- 4. When the investigation of a complaint does not find the person has violated any of the provisions of this subsection, or finds that the person is sufficiently rehabilitated as provided in subparagraph b or f of paragraph 1 of this subsection, no disciplinary action shall be required and the person shall remain certified as a police or peace officer. When the investigation of a complaint finds that the person has violated any of the provisions of this subsection, the matter shall be referred for disciplinary proceedings. The disciplinary proceedings shall be in accordance with Articles I and II of the Administrative Procedures Act.
- 5. The Council shall revoke the certification of any person upon determining that such person has been convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude or a domestic violence offense or has entered a plea of guilty, or nolo contendere or an "Alford" plea or any plea other than a not guilty plea for a felony offense, a crime of moral turpitude or a crime of domestic violence or is the

respondent in a final Victims Protective Order; provided, that if the conviction has been reversed, vacated or otherwise invalidated by an appellate court, such conviction shall not be the basis for revocation of certification; provided further, that any person who has been trained and certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training and is actively employed as a full-time peace officer as of November 1, 1985, shall not be subject to the provisions of this subsection for convictions occurring prior to November 1, 1985. The sole issue to be determined at the hearing shall be whether the person has been convicted of a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude or a domestic violence offense.

- 6. The Council shall revoke the certification of any person upon determining that such person has received a deferred sentence for a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude or a domestic violence offense.
- 7. The Council may suspend the certification of any person upon a determination that such person has been involuntarily committed to a mental institution or mental health facility for a mental illness, condition or disorder as provided in subparagraph f of paragraph 1 of this subsection.
- 8. Every law enforcement agency in this state shall, within thirty (30) days of a final order of termination or resignation while under investigation of a CLEET-certified peace officer, report such order or resignation in writing to the Executive Director of

the Council. Any report, upon receipt by the Council, shall be considered as personnel records and shall be afforded confidential protection pursuant to Sections 24A.7 and 24A.8 of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Any medical or other confidential records obtained by subpoena pursuant to this subsection shall not be made a part of such report. The Executive Director shall ensure that the report is provided to all members of the Council. The Council shall review and make recommendations concerning the report at the first meeting of the Council to occur after all members of the Council have received the report. The Council may, by a majority vote, order the suspension, for a given period of time, or revocation of the CLEET certification of the peace officer in question if there are grounds for such actions pursuant to this section and the peace officer in question has been provided with notice and an opportunity for a hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act. Suspension or revocation of CLEET certification pursuant to this paragraph shall be reported to the district attorney for the jurisdiction in which the peace officer was employed, to the liability insurance company of the law enforcement agency that employed the peace officer, the chief elected official of the governing body of the law enforcement agency and the chief law enforcement officer of the law enforcement agency.

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9. For all other violations of this subsection, the hearing examiner shall take into consideration the severity of the

violation, any mitigating circumstances offered by the person subject to disciplinary action, and any other evidence relevant to the person's character to determine the appropriate disciplinary action.

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- 10. a. A police or peace officer may voluntarily surrender and relinquish the peace officer certification to CLEET. Pursuant to such surrender or relinquishment, the person surrendering the certification shall be prohibited from applying to CLEET for reinstatement within five (5) years of the date of the surrender or relinquishment, unless otherwise provided by law for reinstatement.
 - b. No person who has had a police or peace officer certification from another state revoked or voluntarily surrendered and has not been reinstated by that state shall be considered for certification by CLEET.
 - c. Any person seeking reinstatement of police or peace officer certification which has been suspended, revoked, or voluntarily surrendered may apply for reinstatement pursuant to promulgated CLEET rules governing reinstatement. Except as provided in this subsection, any person whose certification has been revoked, suspended or voluntarily surrendered for any

reason, including failure to comply with mandatory education and training requirements, shall pay a reinstatement fee of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) to be deposited to the credit of the Peace Officer Revolving Fund created pursuant to Section 3311.7 of this title.

- 11. A duty is hereby imposed upon the district attorney who, on behalf of the State of Oklahoma, prosecutes a person holding police or peace officer or reserve peace officer certification for a felony, a crime involving moral turpitude, or a crime of domestic violence in which a plea of guilty, nolo contendere, or an "Alford" plea or any other plea other than a not guilty plea or other finding of guilt is entered by, against or on behalf of a certified police or peace officer to report such plea, agreement, or other finding of guilt to the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training within ten (10) days of such plea agreement or the finding of guilt.
- 12. Any person or agency required or authorized to submit information pursuant to this section to the Council shall be immune from liability arising from the submission of the information as long as the information was submitted in good faith and without malice.
- 13. Any peace officer employed by a law enforcement agency in this state which has internal discipline policies and procedures on file with CLEET shall be exempt from the disciplinary proceedings

and actions provided for in this subsection; provided, however, such exemption shall not apply if the peace officer has been convicted of a felony crime, a crime of moral turpitude, or a crime of domestic violence.

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- a. "law enforcement agency" means any department or agency of the state, a county, a municipality, or political subdivision thereof, with the duties to maintain public order, make arrests, and enforce the criminal laws of this state or municipal ordinances, which employs CLEET-certified personnel,
- b. "final order of termination" means a final notice of dismissal from employment provided after all grievance, arbitration, and court actions have been completed, and
- c. "resignation while under investigation" means the resignation from employment of a peace officer who is under investigation for any felony violation of law, a crime of moral turpitude, a crime of domestic violence, or the resignation from employment of a peace officer as part of an arbitration or plea agreement.
- K. 1. Every canine team in the state trained to detect controlled dangerous substances shall be certified, by test, in the

1 detection of such controlled dangerous substances and shall be 2 recertified annually so long as the canine is used for such 3 detection purposes. The certification test and annual 4 recertification test provisions of this subsection shall not be 5 applicable to canines that are owned by a law enforcement agency and 6 that are certified and annually recertified in the detection of 7 controlled dangerous substances by the United States Customs 8 Service. No employee of CLEET may be involved in the training or 9 testing of a canine team.

- 2. The Council shall appoint a Drug Dog Advisory Council to make recommendations concerning minimum standards, educational needs, and other matters imperative to the certification of canines and canine teams trained to detect controlled dangerous substances. The Council shall promulgate rules based upon the recommendations of the Advisory Council. Members of the Advisory Council shall include, but need not be limited to, a commissioned officer with practical knowledge of such canines and canine teams from each of the following:
 - a. the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous
 Drugs Control,
 - b. the Department of Public Safety,
 - c. a police department,

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- d. a sheriff's office, and
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3. The fee for the certification test shall be Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and the annual recertification test fee shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per canine team. A retest fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) will be charged if the team fails the test. No such fee shall be charged to any local, state or federal government agency. The fees provided for in this paragraph shall be deposited to the credit of the CLEET Fund created pursuant to Section 1313.2 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

- L. 1. Every canine team in the state trained to detect explosives, explosive materials, explosive devices, and materials which could be used to construct an explosive device shall be certified, by test, in the detection of such explosives and materials and shall be recertified annually so long as the canine is used for such detection purposes. The certification test and annual recertification test provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to canines that are owned by a law enforcement agency if such canines are certified and annually recertified in the detection of explosives and materials by the United States Department of Defense. No employee of CLEET may be involved in the training or testing of a canine team.
- 2. The Council shall appoint a Bomb Dog Advisory Council to make recommendations concerning minimum standards, educational needs, and other matters imperative to the certification of canines and canine teams trained to detect explosives, explosive materials,

explosive devices and materials which could be used to construct an explosive device. The Council shall promulgate rules based upon the recommendations of the Advisory Council. Members of the Advisory Council shall include, but need not be limited to, a commissioned officer with practical knowledge of such canines and canine teams from each of the following:

- a. the Department of Public Safety,
- b. a police department,

- c. a sheriff's office, and
- d. a university or college campus police department.
- 3. The fee for the certification test shall be Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and the annual recertification test fee shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per canine team. A retest fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) will be charged if the team fails the test. No such fee shall be charged to any local, state or federal government agency. The fees provided for in this paragraph shall be deposited to the credit of the CLEET Fund created pursuant to Section 1313.2 of Title 20 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- M. All tribal police officers of any Indian tribe or nation who have been commissioned by an Oklahoma law enforcement agency pursuant to a cross-deputization agreement with the State of Oklahoma or any political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma pursuant to the provisions of Section 1221 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be eligible for peace officer certification

under the same terms and conditions required of members of the law enforcement agencies of the State of Oklahoma and its political subdivisions. CLEET shall issue peace officer certification to tribal police officers who, as of July 1, 2003, are commissioned by an Oklahoma law enforcement agency pursuant to a cross-deputization agreement with the State of Oklahoma or any political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma pursuant to the provisions of Section 1221 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes and have met the training and qualification requirements of this section.

- N. If an employing law enforcement agency in this state has paid the salary of a person while that person is completing in this state a basic police course approved by the Council and if within one (1) year after certification that person resigns and is hired by another law enforcement agency in this state, the second agency or the person receiving the training shall reimburse the original employing agency for the salary paid to the person while completing the basic police course by the original employing agency. CLEET shall not be a party to any court action based on this provision.
- O. The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training, in its discretion, may waive all or part of any moneys due to the Council, if deemed uncollectable by the Council.
- P. Peace officers, reserve peace officers, tribal peace officers, agencies, bail enforcers, security guards and private investigators shall maintain with the Council current mailing

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addresses and shall notify the Council, in writing, of any change of address or name. Notification of change of name shall require certified copies of any marriage license or other court document which reflects the change of name. Notice of change of address or telephone number must be made within ten (10) days of the effected change. Notices shall not be accepted over the phone. In any proceeding in which the Council is required to serve notice or an order on an individual or an agency, the Council may send a letter to the mailing address on file with the Council. If the letter is returned and a notation of the U.S. Postal Service indicates "unclaimed", or "moved", or "refused" or any other nondelivery markings and the records of the Council indicate that no change of address as required by this subsection has been received by the Council, the notice and any subsequent notices or orders shall be deemed by the Court as having been legally served for all purposes.

Q. All CLEET records of Bail Enforcers may be released only in compliance with this section and the Oklahoma Bail Enforcement and Licensing Act. All records in CLEET possession concerning other persons or entities shall be released only in compliance with this section and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

SECTION 44. REPEALER 70 O.S. 2011, Section 3311, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 281, O.S.L. 2015 (70 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 3311), is hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 45. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 150.23, as 2 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 292, O.S.L. 2015 (74 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 150.23), is amended to read as follows: 3 4 Section 150.23 A. An officer, investigator, or agent of the 5 Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Department of Wildlife 6 7 Conservation, the Law Enforcement Division of the Oklahoma Horse Racing Commission, the State Fire Marshal's Office, the Oklahoma 8 Tourism and Recreation Department, the Office of Inspector General 10 and the Oklahoma Child Support Services divisions of the Department 11 of Human Services, a Probation and Parole officer or Internal 12 Affairs agent of the Department of Corrections, law enforcement 13 officers employed by the Grand River Dam Authority or the office of 14 a district attorney shall be entitled to receive, upon retirement by 15 reason of length of service, the continued custody and possession of 16 the sidearm and badge carried by such officer, investigator, or 17 agent immediately prior to retirement. 18 An officer, investigator, or agent specified in subsection A 19 of this section may be entitled to receive, upon retirement by 20 reason of disability, the continued custody and possession of the 21 sidearm and badge carried by such officer or agent immediately prior

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to retirement upon written approval of the applicable Director of

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- C. Custody and possession of the sidearm and badge of an officer, investigator, or agent who dies while employed by any Bureau, Department, Commission, or office specified in subsection A of this section may be awarded by the applicable Director of the appropriate Bureau, Department, Commission, or office to the spouse or next of kin of the deceased officer, investigator, or agent.
- D. A correctional officer, a probation and parole officer or an internal affairs agent of the Oklahoma Department of Corrections shall be entitled to receive, upon retirement by reason of length of service, the continued custody and possession of the badge carried by such officer immediately prior to retirement.
- E. In addition to the sidearm carried by a retired agent of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, the retired agent may purchase the rifle or shotgun, or both, issued to the retired agent immediately prior to retirement. The cost to the retired agent of purchasing the rifle or shotgun, or both, shall be the price the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation paid at the time of purchase, and upon payment of that price, the retired agent shall be entitled to ownership of the rifle or shotgun, or both.
- SECTION 46. REPEALER 74 O.S. 2011, Section 150.23, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 138, O.S.L. 2015 (74 O.S. Supp. 2015, Section 150.23), is hereby repealed.

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1 SECTION 47. REPEALER Section 11, Chapter 375, O.S.L.
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- 2 | 2014, as amended by Section 5, Chapter 303, O.S.L. 2015 (74 O.S.
- 3 | Supp. 2015, Section 935.11), is hereby repealed.
- 4 SECTION 48. AMENDATORY 82 O.S. 2011, Section 874, as
- 5 amended by Section 1, Chapter 327, O.S.L. 2015 (82 O.S. Supp. 2015,
- 6 | Section 874), is amended to read as follows:
- 7 | Section 874. A. Nothing in Sections 861 through 890 of this
- 8 | title shall be construed as authorizing the district and it shall
- 9 | not be authorized to mortgage or otherwise encumber any of its
- 10 property of any kind, real, personal or mixed, or any interest
- 11 | therein, or to acquire any property or interest subject to a
- 12 | mortgage or conditional sale, provided that this section shall not
- 13 be construed as preventing the pledging of the revenues of the
- 14 district as herein authorized.
- B. Nothing in Sections 861 through 890 of this title shall be
- 16 | construed as authorizing the sale, lease or other disposition of any
- 17 | property or interest of the district by the district or any receiver
- 18 of any of its properties or through any court proceeding or
- 19 otherwise.
- 20 C. 1. The district may sell for cash, subject to competitive
- 21 | bidding as provided by the Board of Directors of the Grand River Dam
- 22 Authority, any property or interest in an aggregate value not
- exceeding the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in
- 24 any one (1) year, except that the district may sell any or all

1 surplus property that the district may have acquired without regard to the limitations herein, if the Board, by the affirmative vote of five or more of the members, shall have determined that the same is 3 4 not necessary to the business of the district and shall have 5 approved the terms of any sale.

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- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the district may sell real and personal property directly used for the generation, transmission or distribution of electricity to any corporation, limited liability company, association, cooperative, municipal corporation or a beneficial trust thereof engaged in the furnishing of wholesale or retail electric if the Board approves by a vote of five or more members that the property is not necessary to the business of the district. Sales pursuant to this paragraph shall be exempt from the requirements and limitations of paragraph 1 of this subsection and from the requirements of Section 129.4 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- 3. If approved by affirmative vote of five or more members, the Board may authorize the district to enter into agreements to purchase letters of credit or other financial instruments to facilitate the exercise of the powers, rights, and privileges granted it.
- 22 The district may lease any of its lands if the Board, by the affirmative vote of five or more of the members, shall have determined that the same can be leased without injury to or without

interference with the operations of the project, and shall have approved the terms of any lease. Except as otherwise provided, no shorelands (lands lying between the low and high water marks) shall be leased for a term longer than two (2) years and not more than one-fourth (1/4) mile of the lake front shall be leased to any one person, firm or corporation. The district may lease shorelands for a term longer than two (2) years and more than one-fourth (1/4) mile of lake front may be leased to any one person, firm, or corporation without regard to the limitations herein, if the Board, by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members, determines that the lease is necessary or beneficial to the business of the district. The district may lease shorelands to political subdivisions, agencies of the State of Oklahoma, or tax-exempt public trusts, for any public purpose, on such terms as are mutually satisfactory to the parties, notwithstanding the limitations herein. No lease shall deprive the owner of any land adjacent to the shorelands or lake front, or abutting thereon, of ingress or egress to and from the water of the lakes and shall not deprive the owner of any wharf, dock or boat anchorage privileges that would belong to the owner if the shorelands or lake front were not leased.

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E. It is the intention of Sections 861 through 890 of this title that, except by sale, lease or agreement as expressly authorized in Sections 861 through 890 of this title, no property or interest of the district shall ever come into the ownership or

control, directly or indirectly, of any person, firm or corporation other than a public authority created under the laws of the State of Oklahoma.

- F. Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing the district from contracting with the United States or any agency thereof for the temporary possession, control and use of properties by the United States or any agency thereof for the safety and defense of the United States in time of a national emergency or in anticipation thereof.
- G. All property of the district shall be at all times exempted from forced sale, and nothing contained in Sections 861 through 890 of this title shall authorize the sale of any of the property of the district under any judgment rendered in any suit, and such sales are hereby prohibited and forbidden. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any property constructed on a lease or the interest in a lease of shoreland that has been entered into by the district pursuant to subsection B of this section for a term of longer than two (2) years, provided the provisions of the lease authorizing the mortgage and forced sale of the property or lease interest has been approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board.
- H. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any sale agreement, lease agreement or other agreement entered into by the district pursuant to paragraphs (f) or (g) of Section 862 of this

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