

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR ENGROSSED  
HOUSE BILL NO. 2310

By: Fields of the House  
and  
Stipe of the Senate

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
creating the Study Committee for Licensure of  
Plumbers, the Study Committee for Licensure of  
Electricians, and the Study Committee for  
Mechanical Licensure; providing for appointment of  
members, qualifications, responsibilities,  
meetings, officers, quorum, staff, and travel  
reimbursement; providing for noncodification; and  
providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. A. There is hereby created, to continue through  
December 31, 1997, the Study Committee for Licensure of Plumbers.  
The Committee shall be comprised of eleven voting members and one  
nonvoting member as follows:

1. Four voting members shall have at least five (5) years of  
experience as licensed plumbing contractors and shall be appointed  
as follows:

- a. two plumbing contractors shall be members of the Associated Plumbing and Heating Contractors of Oklahoma, Inc. and shall be appointed by the executive director of this organization, and
- b. two plumbing contractors shall not be members of such organization and shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

2. Four voting members shall have at least five (5) years of experience as licensed journeyman plumbers and shall be appointed as follows:

- a. two journeyman plumbers shall be members of the State Pipe Trades Association and shall be appointed by the executive director of the association, and
- b. two journeyman plumbers shall not be members of such association and shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

3. Three voting members shall be the members of the Committee of Plumbing Examiners; and

4. One nonvoting member shall be an employee of the State Department of Health experienced in occupational licensure issues, appointed by the State Commissioner of Health.

B. The Study Committee for Licensure of Plumbers shall review existing and proposed categories for licensure of persons who engage in the plumbing trade and shall make recommendations regarding such categories, including qualifications, degree of supervision, and scope of practice for such categories. These recommendations shall be submitted to the State Commissioner of Health, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than December 31, 1997.

C. 1. Study Committee members shall be appointed no later than December 1, 1996. The initial meeting of the Study Committee shall

be called by the chair of the Committee who shall be the appointee of the State Commissioner of Health.

2. At the initial meeting, Committee members shall select a vice-chair from among the other members. A majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. Committee meetings shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

4. Staff services shall be provided by the State Department of Health. Members shall receive no compensation for serving on the Committee but are entitled to be reimbursed by the State Department of Health for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

SECTION 2. A. There is hereby created, to continue through December 31, 1997, the Study Committee for Licensure of Electricians. The Committee shall be comprised of sixteen voting members and one nonvoting member as follows:

1. Six voting members shall have at least ten (10) years of experience as licensed electrical contractors and shall be appointed as follows:

- a. two electrical contractors shall be members of the Oklahoma Chapters of the National Electrical Contractors Association and shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate,
- b. two electrical contractors shall be members of the Independent Electrical Contractors and shall be appointed by the executive director of this organization, and
- c. two electrical contractors shall not be members of the preceding organizations and shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

2. Four voting members shall have at least ten (10) years of experience as licensed journeyman wiremen and shall be appointed as follows:

- a. two journeyman wiremen shall be members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and
- b. two journeyman wiremen shall not be members of such association and shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

3. Six voting members shall be the members of the Committee of Electrical Examiners; and

4. One nonvoting member shall be an employee of the State Department of Health experienced in occupational licensure issues, appointed by the State Commissioner of Health.

B. The Study Committee for Licensure of Electricians shall review existing and proposed categories for licensure of persons who engage in the electrical trade and shall make recommendations regarding such categories, including qualifications, degree of supervision, and scope of practice for such categories. These recommendations shall be submitted to the State Commissioner of Health, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than December 31, 1997.

C. 1. Study Committee members shall be appointed no later than December 1, 1996. The initial meeting of the Study Committee shall be called by the chair of the Committee who shall be the appointee of the State Commissioner of Health.

2. At the initial meeting, Committee members shall select a vice-chair from among the other members. A majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. Committee meetings shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

4. Staff services shall be provided by the State Department of Health. Members shall receive no compensation for serving on the Committee but are entitled to be reimbursed by the State Department of Health for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

SECTION 3. A. There is hereby created, to continue through December 31, 1997, the Study Committee for Mechanical Licensure. The Committee shall be comprised of nine voting members and one nonvoting member as follows:

1. Two voting members shall have at least five (5) years of experience as licensed mechanical contractors and shall be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate;

2. Two voting members shall have at least five (5) years of experience as licensed mechanical journeymen and shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

3. Five voting members shall be the members of the Committee of Mechanical Examiners; and

4. One nonvoting member shall be an employee of the State Department of Health experienced in occupational licensure issues, appointed by the State Commissioner of Health.

B. The Study Committee for Mechanical Licensure shall review existing and proposed categories for licensure of persons who engage in mechanical work and shall make recommendations regarding such categories, including qualifications, degree of supervision, and scope of practice for such categories. These recommendations shall be submitted to the State Commissioner of Health, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives no later than December 31, 1997.

C. 1. Study Committee members shall be appointed no later than December 1, 1996. The initial meeting of the Study Committee shall be called by the chair of the Committee who shall be the appointee of the State Commissioner of Health.

2. At the initial meeting, Committee members shall select a vice-chair from among the other members. A majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. Committee meetings shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act and the Oklahoma Open Records Act.

4. Staff services shall be provided by the State Department of Health. Members shall receive no compensation for serving on the Committee but are entitled to be reimbursed by the State Department of Health for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

SECTION 4. Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act shall not be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 1996.

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