

EHB 2517

1 THE STATE SENATE
2 Wednesday, March 29, 2006

3 ENGROSSED
4 House Bill No. 2517
5 As Amended

6 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2517 - By: YOUNG, BLACKWELL and NANCE of
7 the House and FISHER of the Senate.

8 [professions and occupations - state entities -
9 codification - effective date]

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

11 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4000 of Title 59, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. All state entities that are charged with oversight of
15 occupational licenses shall establish procedures by which
16 individuals who are convicted of a felony or misdemeanor where
17 substance abuse or mental illness is the underlying cause of the
18 crime, or plead guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or misdemeanor
19 where substance abuse or mental illness is the underlying cause of
20 the crime, may appeal to have an occupational license reinstated.

21 B. All state entities described in this section may consider
22 the length of time since the plea or conviction. Other items that
23 may be considered are education since the plea or conviction,
24 recovery status since the plea or conviction if the underlying crime

1 was alcohol- or drug-related, and the public safety of allowing an
2 individual to return to the specific occupation.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

4 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND LABOR, dated 3-27-06
5 - DO PASS, As Amended.