

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 2517

By: Young

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to professions and occupations; requiring state entities with oversight of occupational licenses to establish certain procedures; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

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

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

B. All state entities described in this section may consider the length of time since the plea or conviction. Other items that may be considered are education since the plea or conviction, recovery status since the plea or conviction if the underlying crime was alcohol- or drug-related, and the public safety of allowing an individual to return to the specific occupation.

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

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