

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2955

6 By: Tibbs

7 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

8 authorizing licensing boards to consider certain
9 criminal convictions; requiring boards and agencies
10 to provide written reason for denial of license;
11 requiring certain occurrence be considered prima
12 facie evidence of rehabilitation; providing for
13 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 69 of Title 21, unless there is
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 Licensing boards may take into consideration convictions of
19 felony crimes. However, such convictions shall not operate as an
20 automatic bar to registration, certification or licensing for any
21 trade, profession or occupation. Arrest records not leading to a
22 conviction and misdemeanor convictions may also be taken into
23 consideration in connection with an application for a license.

24 However, such arrest records or convictions shall not operate as an

1 automatic bar to registration, certification or licensing for any
2 trade, profession or occupation. Boards and agencies shall state
3 explicitly, in writing, the reasons for a decision which prohibits
4 the applicant from practicing the trade, occupation or profession if
5 the decision is based in whole, or in part, on conviction of a
6 felony. Completion of parole or probation supervision shall be
7 prima facie evidence of rehabilitation.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2008.

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