

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE  
FOR ENGROSSED  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1004

By: Morgan and Pittman of the  
House

and

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
amending 59 O.S. 2001, Section 1850.2, as amended by  
Section 1, Chapter 83, O.S.L. 2002 and Section 12,  
Chapter 405, O.S.L. 2008 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008,  
Sections 1850.2 and 1850.17), which relate to the  
Mechanical Licensing Act; modifying definition;  
providing for maximum apprentice-to-journeyman ratio;  
limiting ratio to petroleum refinery mechanical work;  
and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2001, Section 1850.2, as  
amended by Section 1, Chapter 83, O.S.L. 2002 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008,  
Section 1850.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1850.2 As used in the Mechanical Licensing Act:

1        1. "Air conditioning system" means the process of treating air  
2 by controlling its temperature, humidity, and cleanliness, to meet  
3 the requirements of a designated area;

4        2. "Committee" means the Committee of Mechanical Examiners;

5        3. "Board" means the Construction Industries Board;

6        4. "Gas piping" means and includes all natural gas piping  
7 within or adjacent to any building, structure, or conveyance, on the  
8 premises and to the connection with a natural gas meter, regulator,  
9 or other source of supply;

10       5. "Heating systems" means and includes systems consisting of  
11 air heating appliances from which the heated air is distributed and  
12 shall include any accessory apparatus and equipment installed in  
13 connection therewith;

14       6. "Mechanical contractor" or "contractor" means any person  
15 engaged in the business of planning, contracting, supervising or  
16 furnishing labor or labor and materials for mechanical work;

17       7. "Mechanical journeyman" or "journeyman" means any person  
18 other than a contractor or apprentice who engages in mechanical  
19 work;

20       8. "Mechanical apprentice" or "apprentice" means any person  
21 sixteen (16) years of age or older whose principal occupation is  
22 learning mechanical work on the job under the direct supervision of  
23 a journeyman or contractor;

1        9. "Mechanical firm" means any corporation, partnership,  
2 association, proprietorship, limited liability company, or other  
3 business entity which plans or engages, or offers to engage, in  
4 mechanical work for another within this state;

5        10. "Mechanical work" means the installation, maintenance,  
6 repair, or renovation, in whole or in part, of any heating system,  
7 exhaust system, cooling system, mechanical refrigeration system or  
8 ventilation system or any equipment or piping carrying chilled  
9 water, air for ventilation purposes, or natural gas, or the  
10 installation, maintenance, repair, or renovation of process piping  
11 used to carry any liquid, substance, or material, including steam  
12 and hot water used for space heating purposes not under the  
13 jurisdiction of the Department of Labor other than minor repairs to  
14 such systems;

15        11. "Refrigeration system" means the ~~erection~~, installation,  
16 repairing and servicing of a system employing a fluid which normally  
17 is vaporized and liquefied in an air conditioning system, food  
18 preservation measure or manufacturing process;

19        12. "Sheet metal" means the erection, installation and  
20 repairing of all ferrous or nonferrous duct work and all other  
21 materials used in all air conditioning and exhaust systems;

22        13. "Temporary mechanical journeyman" means any person other  
23 than a person permanently licensed as a mechanical journeyman or  
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1 contractor in this state who meets the temporary licensure  
2 requirements of Section 1850.8A of this title; and

3 14. "Variance and Appeals Board" means the Oklahoma State  
4 Mechanical Installation Code Variance and Appeals Board.

5 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY Section 12, Chapter 405, O.S.L.  
6 2008 (59 O.S. Supp. 2008, Section 1850.17), is amended to read as  
7 follows:

8 Section 1850.17 A. The Construction Industries Board shall  
9 offer examinations for a petroleum refinery mechanical journeyman  
10 license. The Board shall promulgate rules to implement the  
11 provisions of this section.

12 B. The maximum apprentice-to-journeyman ratio for mechanical  
13 work requiring a petroleum refinery journeyman license shall not be  
14 greater than five apprentices to one petroleum refinery journeyman.  
15 This provision is limited to petroleum refinery mechanical work and  
16 shall not apply to other apprentice-to-journeyman ratios established  
17 by the Construction Industries Board.

18 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.  
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