

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 625

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to firearm training; amending 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.15, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 86, O.S.L. 2013 (21 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1290.15), which relates to exemptions from training courses; modifying certain exemption; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 2011, Section 1290.15, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 86, O.S.L. 2013 (21 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1290.15), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1290.15.

PERSONS EXEMPT FROM TRAINING COURSE

A. The following individuals may be exempt from all or part of the required training and qualification course established pursuant to the provisions of Section 1290.14 of this title:

1. A firearms instructor registered with the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation for purposes of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act;

1 2. An active duty law enforcement officer of this state or any
2 of its political subdivisions or of the federal government;

3 3. A retired law enforcement officer authorized by this state
4 pursuant to Section 1289.8 of this title to carry a firearm;

5 4. A CLEET-certified armed security officer, armed guard,
6 correctional officer, or any other person having a CLEET
7 certification to carry a firearm in the course of their employment;

8 5. A person on active military duty, National Guard duty or
9 regular military reserve duty who is a legal resident of this state
10 and who is trained and qualified in the use of handguns;

11 6. A person honorably discharged from active military duty,
12 National Guard duty or military reserves within twenty (20) years
13 preceding the date of the application for a handgun license pursuant
14 to the provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, who is a legal
15 resident of this state, and who has been trained and qualified in
16 the use of handguns;

17 7. A person retired as a peace officer in good standing from a
18 law enforcement agency located in another state, who is a legal
19 resident of this state, and who has received training equivalent to
20 the training required for CLEET certification in this state; and

21 8. Any person who is otherwise deemed qualified for a training
22 exemption by ~~CLEET~~ the Council on Law Enforcement Education and
23 Training.

1 Provided, however, persons applying for an exemption pursuant to
2 paragraph ~~3, 4, 5,~~ 6 or 7 of this subsection may be required to
3 successfully complete the classroom portion of the training course.
4 The fee for the classroom portion of the training course shall be
5 determined by the instructor or entity that is conducting the
6 course.

7 ~~B. The Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training~~
8 ~~(CLEET) shall establish criteria for providing proof of an~~
9 ~~exemption. Before any person shall be considered exempt from all or~~
10 ~~part of the required training and qualification pursuant to the~~
11 ~~provisions of the Oklahoma Self-Defense Act, the person shall~~
12 ~~present the required proof of exemption to a registered firearms~~
13 ~~instructor. Each person determined to be exempt from training or~~
14 ~~qualification as provided in this subsection shall receive an~~
15 ~~exemption certificate from the registered firearms instructor. The~~
16 ~~rules promulgated by CLEET to implement the provisions of this~~
17 ~~section and Section 1290.14 of this title may require that a fee not~~
18 ~~to exceed Five Dollars (\$5.00) be charged for processing an~~
19 ~~exemption certificate. The original exemption certificate, active~~
20 ~~or reserve military identification number or active, reserve or~~
21 ~~retired law enforcement identification number must be submitted with~~
22 an application for a handgun license as provided in paragraph 2 of
23 Section 1290.12 of this title. No person who is determined to be
24 exempt from training or qualification may carry a concealed or

1 unconcealed firearm pursuant to the authority of the Oklahoma Self-
2 Defense Act until issued a valid handgun license.

3 C. Nothing contained in any provision of the Oklahoma Self-
4 Defense Act shall be construed to alter, amend, or modify the
5 authority of any active duty law enforcement officer, or any person
6 certified by the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training
7 to carry a pistol during the course of their employment, to carry
8 any pistol in any manner authorized by law or authorized by the
9 employing agency.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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