

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 721

By: Leewright of the Senate

3 and

4 Hilbert of the House

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6 An Act relating to bail bondsmen; amending 59 O.S.
7 2011, Section 1308.1, which relates to continuing
8 education requirements; deleting language; modifying
9 authority to provide certain education; requiring
10 education provider to submit certain fee; updating
11 statutory language; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1308.1, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 1308.1. A. In order to be eligible to take the
16 examination required to be licensed as a bail bondsman, each person
17 shall complete not less than sixteen (16) clock hours of education
18 in subjects pertinent to the duties and responsibilities of a bail
19 bondsman, including all laws and regulations related thereto.
20 Further, each licensee shall complete biennially not less than
21 sixteen (16) clock hours of continuing education in ~~said~~ the
22 subjects prior to renewal of the license. Such continuing education
23 shall not include a written or oral examination.

24 Provided, any person licensed as a bail bondsman prior to
November 1, 1989, shall not be required to complete sixteen (16)

1 clock hours of education prior to licensure but shall be subject to
2 the sixteen-hour continuing education requirement in order to renew
3 ~~said~~ the license, except that a licensed bail bondsman who is sixty-
4 five (65) years of age or older and who has been licensed as a bail
5 bondsman for fifteen (15) years or more shall be exempt from both
6 the education and continuing education requirements of this section.

7 ~~B. The Oklahoma Bondsman Association shall provide education~~
8 Education shall be provided for bail bondsman licensure as required
9 by this section; provided that the Insurance Commissioner shall
10 approve the courses offered and provided further such education
11 meets the general standards for education ~~otherwise~~ established by
12 the Insurance Commissioner.

13 ~~C. The Oklahoma Bondsman Association~~ education provider shall
14 submit biennially a fee of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), payable to
15 the Insurance Commissioner which shall be deposited with the State
16 Treasurer for the purposes of fulfilling and accomplishing the
17 conditions and purposes of this section.

18 ~~D. C.~~ C. Any person who falsely represents to the Insurance
19 Commissioner that compliance with this section has been met shall be
20 subject, after notice and hearing, to the penalties and fines set
21 out in Section 1310 of this title.

22 ~~E. D.~~ D. The Commissioner shall adopt and promulgate such rules as
23 are necessary for effective administration of this section.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

1 Passed the Senate the 20th day of February, 2019.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
6 2019.

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