

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1735

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to mechanical contractors; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1850.8, which relates to qualifications for licensure as mechanical contractor; providing exception to examination; providing additional recognition of experience for applicants under act; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1850.8, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1850.8. A. The Construction Industries Board shall issue a license as a mechanical journeyman or mechanical contractor to any person who:

1. Has been certified by the Committee of Mechanical Examiners as having successfully passed the appropriate examination, except as provided in subsection D of this section; and

2. Has paid the license fee and has otherwise complied with the provisions of the Mechanical Licensing Act. The license fees shall

1 be established by rule by the Board pursuant to Section 1000.5 of
2 this title.

3 B. All licenses shall be nontransferable. No license shall be
4 issued for longer than one (1) year and all licenses shall expire on
5 the last day in the birth month of the licensee. Licenses renewed
6 more than thirty (30) days following the date of expiration may only
7 be renewed upon application and payment of the required fees and
8 payment of any penalty for late renewal, as shall be established by
9 the Board. No journeyman or contractor license shall be renewed
10 unless the licensee has completed the required hours of continuing
11 education as determined by the Committee. Persons who are licensed
12 as contractors under the Mechanical Licensing Act may have their
13 license placed on inactive status by paying the annual renewal fee
14 and eliminating the bonding and insurance requirements. No late fee
15 shall be charged to renew a license which expired while the
16 applicant was in military service, if application is made within one
17 (1) year of discharge from the military service.

18 C. The Board is authorized to establish and issue, subject to
19 the provisions of the Mechanical Licensing Act, limited licenses in
20 each area of mechanical work based on the experience, ability,
21 examination scores and the education of the applicant. The limited
22 licenses shall authorize the licensee to engage in only those
23 activities and within the limits specified in the license.
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1 D. The Board shall recognize the experience, ability, and the
2 education of applicants for a mechanical contract license who have
3 at least five (5) years of experience working for American National
4 Standards Institute certified organizations that provide standards
5 in the field of energy auditing, indoor air quality, home
6 performance, or building science in lieu of the examination
7 requirement set forth in subsection A of this section.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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