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March 26, 2024

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 3234

By: Lawson and Deck of the House

and

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An Act relating to career and technology education; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 14-132, which relates to the State Board of Career and Technology Education and authorization to enter certain agreements; authorizing the State Board of Career and Technology Education to outline certain criteria and requirements related to high school equivalency diploma; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 14-132, is amended to read as follows:

Section 14-132. A. The State Board of Career and Technology Education is hereby authorized and directed to enter into agreements and to contract for the provision of adult education, assessment and other services for courses leading to a high school equivalency diploma. Any adult education program providing services pursuant to a contract or subcontract with the State Board of Career and Technology Education and receiving funds from the State Board of

1 Career and Technology Education or any contractor with the State
2 Board of Career and Technology Education shall be subject to the
3 provisions of the administrative rules of the State Board of Career
4 and Technology Education.

5 B. The Department of Education and the Oklahoma Department of
6 Career and Technology Education shall ~~retain~~ share the
7 responsibility for issuing diplomas to those who successfully
8 complete a high school equivalency test, pursuant to criteria
9 established by the State Board of Education.

10 C. The State Board of Career and Technology Education is hereby
11 authorized to outline the eligibility criteria and requirements for
12 individuals twenty-one (21) years of age and older seeking to obtain
13 a high school equivalency diploma based on their work experience and
14 educational attainment.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

16 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION
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