

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to entertainer safety; creating the Entertainer Safety and Verification Act; defining terms; prohibiting performances by unlicensed exotic entertainers; requiring annual licensure; stating qualifications for obtaining an exotic entertainer license; directing the Alcohol Beverage Laws Enforcement (ABLE) Commission to promulgate certain rules; prohibiting owners of sexually oriented businesses from allowing performances by unpermitted exotic entertainers; directing business owners to secure copies of valid exotic entertainer licenses; requiring business owners to maintain records for certain period of time; making certain records confidential and exempt from open records requirements; providing for the inspection of records by ABLE and law enforcement; making certain acts unlawful; providing penalties; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1029.1 of Title 21, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Entertainer Safety and Verification Act".

1 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified

2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1029.2 of Title 21, unless there
3 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 As used in the Entertainer Safety and Verification Act:

5 1. "ABLE Commission" means the Alcoholic Beverage Laws
6 Enforcement Commission;

7 2. "Commercial sex" has the same meaning as such term is
8 defined in Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

9 3. "Exotic entertainer" means any person who performs live
10 entertainment in a sexually oriented business including, but not
11 limited to, dancing, stripping, or similar performances, where the
12 entertainer appears in a state of nudity, semi-nudity, or engages in
13 sexually suggestive or lascivious conduct;

14 4. "Human trafficking" has the same meaning as such term is
15 defined in Section 748 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

16 5. "Lascivious" means the exposure of the genitals, pubic area,
17 anus, or female breast below a horizontal line across the top of the
18 areola, or any simulation thereof, with the intent to arouse or
19 gratify the sexual desire of any person;

20 6. "Lewdness" has the same meaning as such term is defined in
21 Section 1030 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

22 7. "Nude" means the showing of the human male or female
23 genitals, pubic area, or the human female breast below a point
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1 immediately above the top of the areola, with less than a fully
2 opaque covering;

3 8. "Pandering" has the same meaning as such acts are described
4 in Section 1029 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

5 9. "Prostitution" has the same meaning as such term is defined
6 in Section 1030 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

7 10. "Semi-nude" means a state of dress in which clothing covers
8 no more than the genitals, pubic area, and areola of the female
9 breast, as well as portions of the body covered by supporting straps
10 or devices;

11 11. "Sexually oriented business" means an adult cabaret or any
12 other business, as such term is defined in Section 1040.55 of Title
13 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, that offers live entertainment
14 characterized by the exposure of persons in a state of nudity, semi-
15 nudity, or engaging in sexually suggestive or lascivious conduct;
16 and

17 12. "Sexually suggestive" means any act or performance
18 involving the fondling or erotic touching of the clothed or
19 unclothed genitals, pubic area, anus, or female breast of oneself or
20 another, or any simulation thereof.

21 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1029.3 of Title 21, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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1 A. No person shall perform as an exotic entertainer in any
2 sexually oriented business in this state without first obtaining a
3 valid exotic entertainer license issued by the Alcoholic Beverage
4 Laws Enforcement (ABLE) Commission pursuant to the provisions of the
5 Entertainer Safety and Verification Act. Such license shall be
6 renewed annually.

7 B. To qualify for issuance or renewal of an exotic entertainer
8 license, an applicant shall:

9 1. Be a citizen of the United States or an alien lawfully
10 admitted to the United States and authorized to engage in employment
11 pursuant to the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, Section
12 1101 et seq. of Title 8 of the United States Code, as verified
13 through the federal E-Verify program or a successor program approved
14 by the United States Department of Homeland Security;

15 2. Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

16 3. Not have been convicted of any felony violation of Section
17 748, 1021, 1029, or 1030 of Title 21 of the Oklahoma Statutes, or
18 any substantially similar offense under the laws of another
19 jurisdiction; and

20 4. Provide verified proof of identity, including a current
21 government-issued identification document containing the photograph
22 of the applicant.

23 C. The ABLE Commission shall administer the licensing
24 provisions of the Entertainer Safety and Verification Act, including

1 the promulgation of necessary rules for the application process,
2 fees, and procedures for the issuance, denial, suspension,
3 revocation, and renewal of exotic entertainer licenses. Such rules
4 shall include background checks, fingerprinting, and verification of
5 eligibility criteria. The ABLE Commission shall be authorized to
6 administer code enforcement related to compliance with this act.

7 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1029.4 of Title 21, unless there
9 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 A. No owner, operator, proprietor, or manager of a sexually
11 oriented business shall knowingly permit any person to perform as an
12 exotic entertainer on the premises unless the person possesses a
13 valid exotic entertainer license. Prior to permitting any such
14 performance, the owner, operator, proprietor, or manager shall
15 verify the validity of the license.

16 B. 1. Every owner, operator, proprietor, or manager of a
17 sexually oriented business shall maintain for each exotic
18 entertainer, who performs on the premises, either a secure physical
19 copy or a digital copy of the valid license of the exotic
20 entertainer that is encrypted and protected against unauthorized
21 access.

22 2. All records for exotic entertainers including, but not
23 limited to, employment applications, personal contact information,
24 employment schedules, and any other identifying data submitted to

1 and maintained by the owner, operator, proprietor, or manager of a
2 sexually oriented business and any records relating to exotic
3 entertainer licenses received by the ABLE Commission for the purpose
4 of issuing, maintaining, or revoking an exotic entertainer license,
5 shall be confidential and shall not be open to public inspection or
6 disclosure pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Open Records
7 Act.

8 3. Such records shall be maintained by the owner, operator,
9 proprietor, or manager for a minimum of twelve (12) months following
10 the last performance on the premises of the exotic entertainer. All
11 exotic entertainer license information and records shall be made
12 available immediately for inspection upon request by the ABLE
13 Commission, code enforcement officials, or law enforcement officers
14 with jurisdiction for investigatory purposes.

15 C. Failure to comply with the verification or record
16 maintenance requirements of this section shall constitute a separate
17 violation for each day of noncompliance.

18 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1029.5 of Title 21, unless there
20 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. 1. Any person who performs as an exotic entertainer without
22 a valid license issued pursuant to the provisions of this act, or
23 after the expiration or revocation of a license issued pursuant to
24 the provisions of this act shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a

1 misdemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars
2 (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not
3 exceeding one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. The
4 exotic entertainer license shall be suspended for a period of twelve
5 (12) months upon conviction.

6 2. A second or subsequent conviction under the provisions of
7 this subsection shall be a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not
8 exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment in
9 the county jail for a period not exceeding one (1) year, or by both
10 such fine and imprisonment. The exotic entertainer license shall
11 thereafter be revoked for life.

12 B. Any sexually oriented business found to have violated the
13 provisions of Section 4 of this act shall be subject to an
14 administrative fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) per
15 offense. A second or subsequent violation shall be subject to an
16 administrative fine of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per offense
17 and suspension of all business licenses issued by the Alcoholic
18 Beverage Laws Enforcement (ABLE) Commission for a period of twelve
19 (12) months.

20 C. 1. Any owner, proprietor, manager, or operator of a
21 sexually oriented business who knowingly violates the provisions of
22 Section 4 of this act shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a felony
23 punishable by a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00),
24 or by imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections

1 for a period of not less than one (1) year nor more than three (3)
2 years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

3 2. A second or subsequent violation of the provisions of
4 Section 4 of this act shall, upon conviction, be a felony punishable
5 by a fine not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or by
6 imprisonment in the custody of the Department of Corrections for a
7 period of not less than two (2) years nor more than five (5) years,
8 and the person shall be permanently barred from owning or operating
9 a sexually oriented business in this state.

10 SECTION 6. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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