

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 4105

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An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1750.2, which relates  
to the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private  
Investigator Act definitions; expanding the  
definition of security guard; and providing an  
effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1750.2, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 1750.2. As used in the Oklahoma Security Guard and  
Private Investigator Act:

1. "Client" means any person or legal entity having a contract  
with a person or entity licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Security  
Guard and Private Investigator Act, which contract authorizes  
services to be performed in return for financial or other  
considerations;

2. "Council" means the Council on Law Enforcement Education and  
Training;

1       3. "License" means authorization issued by the Council pursuant  
2 to the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act  
3 permitting the holder to perform the functions of a security guard,  
4 armed security guard, private investigator, investigative agency, or  
5 security agency;

6       4. "Private investigator" means a person who is self-employed,  
7 or contracts with, or is employed by an investigative agency for the  
8 purpose of conducting a private investigation and reporting the  
9 results to the employer or client of the employer relating to:

- 10           a. potential or pending litigation, civil or criminal,
- 11           b. divorce or other domestic investigations,
- 12           c. missing persons or missing property, or
- 13           d. other lawful investigations, but shall not include:

14               (1) a person authorized or employed by the United  
15               States government, any state government, or any  
16               agency, department, or political subdivision  
17               thereof while engaged in the performance of  
18               official duties,

19               (2) a person or employee of a firm, corporation or  
20               other legal entity engaged exclusively in a  
21               profession licensed by any board, commission,  
22               department or court of this state, or

23               (3) a bona fide, salaried, full-time employee of a  
24               firm, corporation or other legal entity not in

1           the primary business of soliciting and providing  
2           private investigations, who conducts  
3           investigations that are exclusive to and  
4           incidental to the primary business of said firm,  
5           corporation or entity, and when the costs of such  
6           investigations are not charged directly back to  
7           the particular client or customer who directly  
8           benefits from the investigation;

9       5. "Armed private investigator" means a private investigator  
10      authorized to carry a firearm;

11      6. "Security agency" means a person, firm, corporation, or  
12      other private legal entity in the business of security guard  
13      services or armed security guards for hire;

14      7. "Security guard" means an individual contracting with or  
15      employed by a security agency, private business or person to prevent  
16      trespass, theft, misappropriation, wrongful concealment of  
17      merchandise, goods, money or other tangible items, or engaged as a  
18      bodyguard or as a private watchman to protect persons or property,  
19      but shall not include:

20           a.   for individuals operating unarmed, any person employed  
21                as a private watchman or security guard by one  
22                employer only in connection with the affairs of such  
23                employer where there exists an employer-employee  
24                relationship,

1           b.   for any event, including but not limited to, concerts,  
2               festivals, and sporting events, for individuals  
3               operating unarmed, any person contracted as an usher  
4               queue agent, ticket agent, gate agent, credential  
5               verification agent, or similar role, whose  
6               responsibilities may include checking tickets and  
7               bags, directing patrons, encouraging compliance with  
8               venue or event policies including those on prohibited  
9               items, observing magnetometers, and notifying  
10              certified security guards or law enforcement personnel  
11              of potential violations. Contracted employees posted  
12              at venue entry points shall be under the supervision  
13              of a CLEET-certified security guard or law enforcement  
14              officer. There shall be one CLEET-certified security  
15              guard or law enforcement officer for every fifteen  
16              uncertified contractors at a given entry point.

17           c.   a full-time or active reserve certified peace officer  
18               of the United States, this state, or any political  
19               subdivision of either:

20               (1) while such peace officer is engaged in the  
21                   performance of his or her official duties within  
22                   the course and scope of his or her employment  
23                   with the United States, this state, or any  
24                   political subdivision of either,

1 (2) while such peace officer is engaged in the  
2 performance of his or her duties as a railroad  
3 police officer,

4 (3) who receives compensation for private employment  
5 on an individual or an individual independent  
6 contractual basis as a patrolman, guard, or  
7 watchman if such person is employed in an  
8 employer-employee relationship or is employed on  
9 an individual contractual basis, or

10 (4) who receives compensation from an employer-  
11 employee relationship or an individual  
12 independent contractor basis with any licensed  
13 security agency as defined in this section or any  
14 private business or person to perform security or  
15 investigative services,

16 c. any person whose terms of employment as a security  
17 guard are governed by a collective bargaining  
18 agreement on May 9, 1989, and

19 d. any person who is employed as a full-time security  
20 guard by a financial institution on May 9, 1989;

21 8. "Armed security guard" means a security guard authorized to  
22 carry a firearm;

23 9. "Investigative agency" means a self-employed private  
24 investigator, a firm, a corporation, or other private legal entity

1 in the business of soliciting the business of private investigation  
2 and/or providing private investigations and investigators;

3 10. "Special event" means a public activity in the form of an  
4 athletic contest, charity event, exposition or similar event that  
5 occurs only on an annual or noncontinuing basis; and

6 11. "Special event license" means a temporary license issued  
7 pursuant to the Oklahoma Security Guard and Private Investigator Act  
8 which restricts the license holder to employment as a security guard  
9 only for the duration of a particular event.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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