

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 3783

By: Sneed

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An Act relating to professions and occupations;
establishing the Endorsed Plumbing Apprentice
License; defining terms; providing eligibility and
examination requirements; providing for 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 1024 of Title 59, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. "Endorsed Apprentice" or "Endorsed Plumbing Apprentice"
means a registered apprentice who met the qualifications, pursuant
to OAC 158:30-5-1 and OAC 158:30-9-1, with completion of a formal
education program approved by the Committee of Plumbing Examiners of
at least one thousand (1,000) hours substituting for two (2) years of
experience, to sit for the journeyman examination and received a
passing score on the examination, but who is working to complete the

1 required one (1) year of verifiable experience of at minimum two
2 thousand (2,000) hours as a registered apprentice prior to being
3 issued the journeyman plumber license in the appropriate category.

4 B. Registered apprentices interested in sitting for the
5 journeyman examination may apply for approval to sit for the
6 examination by meeting the qualifications. Registered plumbing
7 apprentices interested in sitting for the journeyman examination may
8 apply for approval to sit for the examination by meeting the
9 following requirements:

- 10 1. The applicant shall be at least seventeen (17) years of age;
- 11 2. The applicant shall be a registered plumbing apprentice;
- 12 3. The applicant shall submit proof of successful completion of
13 a formal education program of at least one thousand (1,000) hours
14 approved by the Committee of Plumbing Examiners, with no grade lower
15 than seventy percent (70%) in all trade courses, and be in good
16 standing with the school;
- 17 4. The applicant shall submit transcripts showing the
18 Committee-approved schools, the Committee-approved formal education
19 program, courses, hours attended, grades, any certificates achieved,
20 and a vocational diploma or certificate of completion for the
21 specific formal educational program and school that has been
22 approved by the Committee. The Administrator shall make the final
23 determination on acceptability of the described supporting
24 documentation; and

1 5. The applicant shall submit a completed endorsed plumbing
2 apprentice application form designating the journeyman examination
3 license category, all required supported documentation, the
4 apprentice application fee as set forth in OAC 158:30-9-2 and
5 Section 1000.5 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and the
6 examination fee (unless the examination fee is paid directly to a
7 testing provider) to the Construction Industries Board.

8 C. If the endorsed plumbing apprentice completes one (1) year
9 of verifiable experience of at minimum two thousand (2,000) hours
10 within three (3) years after the date the endorsed apprentice
11 received a passing score of the journeyman examination, and if the
12 endorsed apprentice is at least eighteen (18) years of age, the
13 endorsed apprentice may apply for a journeyman plumber license
14 without further journeyman examination by submitting a completed
15 journeyman plumber license application form demonstrating a total
16 period of no less than three (3) years of experience, all required
17 supporting documentation, the journeyman application fee and the
18 initial journeyman license fee as set forth in OAC 158:30-9-2 and
19 Section 1000.5 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, and is in
20 compliance with all licensing requirements. No endorsed apprentice
21 shall renew or receive an endorsed apprentice registration beyond
22 three (3) years after passing the journeyman examination to obtain
23 an endorsed apprentice registration, and if no journeyman license
24 application is received within this time, then he or she shall be

1 required to apply and retest for the appropriate examination for
2 licensure or may submit an application for a regular, nonendorsed
3 apprentice registration.

4 D. Any endorsed plumbing apprentice who is found to have
5 violated the Plumbing License Law of 1955 or any plumbing industry
6 regulations and who retakes the examination shall be issued an
7 appropriate administrative citation or penalty for any and each
8 violation, to be handled pursuant to the Administrative Procedures
9 Act.

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

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