

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2864

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
8 amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1682, as amended by
9 Section 1, Chapter 17, O.S.L. 2018 (59 O.S. Supp.
10 2020, Section 1682), which relates to the Electrical
License Act; modifying exemption for certain
electrical wiring systems; and providing an effective
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 1682, as
15 amended by Section 1, Chapter 17, O.S.L. 2018 (59 O.S. Supp. 2020,
16 Section 1682), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 1682. A. As used in the Electrical License Act:

- 18 1. "Board" means the Construction Industries Board;
- 19 2. "Committee" means the Committee of Electrical Examiners
20 appointed by the Board;
- 21 3. "Electrical apprentice" means any person sixteen (16) years
22 of age or older whose principal occupation is the learning of and
23 assisting in the installation of electrical work under the direct
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1 supervision of a licensed journeyman electrician or electrical
2 contractor;

3 4. "Journeyman electrician" means any person other than an
4 electrical contractor who engages in the actual installation,
5 alteration, repair or renovation of electrical facilities or
6 electrical construction work unless specifically exempted by the
7 provisions of the Electrical License Act;

8 5. "Electrical contractor" means any person skilled in the
9 planning, superintending and practical installation of electrical
10 facilities who is familiar with the laws, rules and regulations
11 governing such work. Electrical contractor also means any
12 individual, firm, partnership, corporation, limited liability
13 company, or business performing skills of an electrical contractor
14 or an electrician or the business of contracting, or furnishing
15 labor or labor and materials for the installation, repair,
16 maintenance or renovation of electrical facilities or electrical
17 construction work according to the provisions of the Electrical
18 License Act;

19 6. "Electrical facilities" means all wiring, fixtures,
20 appurtenances, and appliances for, and in connection with, a supply
21 of electricity within or adjacent to any building, structure or
22 conveyance on the premises but not including the connection with a
23 power supply meter or other power supply source;

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1 7. "Category" means the classification by which licenses and
2 electrical work may be limited. Such categories shall include but
3 shall not be limited to installation, maintenance, repair,
4 alteration, residential, oilfield, and commercial;

5 8. "Temporary journeyman electrician" means any person other
6 than a person permanently licensed as a journeyman electrician or
7 electrical contractor in this state who meets the temporary
8 licensure requirements of Section 1685.1 of this title;

9 9. "Variance and Appeals Board" means the Oklahoma State
10 Electrical Installation Code Variance and Appeals Board;

11 10. "Electrical construction work" means installation,
12 fabrication or assembly of equipment or systems included in
13 "premises wiring" as defined in the National Electrical Code
14 (reference 158:40-1-4. Standard of Installation), and which is
15 hereby adopted and incorporated by reference. Electrical
16 construction work includes, but is not limited to, installation of
17 raceway systems used for any electrical purposes, and installation
18 of field-assembled systems such as ice and snow melting, pipe-
19 tracing, and manufactured wiring systems. Electrical construction
20 work shall not include in-plant work performed by employees of the
21 company owning the plant, work performed by telecommunications
22 employees for telecommunications companies, or installation of
23 factory-assembled appliances or machinery which is not part of the
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1 premises wiring unless wiring interconnections external to the
2 equipment are required in the field; and

3 11. "Electrical work" means work consisting primarily of the
4 layout, installation, maintenance, repair, testing or replacement of
5 all or part of electrical wires, conduits, apparatus, fixtures,
6 appliances or equipment for transmitting, carrying, controlling or
7 using electricity in, on, outside or attached to a building,
8 structure, property or premises. Electrical work shall not mean
9 work that is related to or facilitates the construction,
10 installation or maintenance of all or part of an electrical system,
11 but which does not involve actual work with any of the electrical
12 components provided in this definition.

13 B. The portion of the wiring system between the load side of a
14 Class 2 and Class 3 ~~circuits shall be~~ power source and the connected
15 equipment utilized for the installation of security, electronic
16 access control, video surveillance, fire alarm, fire sprinkler,
17 nurse call systems, communications equipment, voice, video, audio,
18 and data signal, low voltage plug and play residential lighting is
19 exempt from the requirements of electrical licensing ~~of either an~~
20 electrical contractor or a journeyman electrician, pursuant to the
21 Electrical License Act; provided, the work ~~is~~ shall be performed in
22 accordance with the requirements for Class 2 and Class 3 circuits in
23 the respective articles of the National Fire Protection Association

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1 70 ~~requirements for Class 2 and Class 3 circuits~~ National Electrical
2 Code as adopted by the State of Oklahoma.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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