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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
8 providing for powers of the Construction Industries  
9 Board; requiring contracts be approved by Board  
10 pursuant to the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act; providing  
11 for use of certain funds; creating the Skilled Trade  
12 Education and Workforce Development Fund; providing  
13 for transfer of funds; prohibiting transfer of funds  
14 for certain period of time; providing for  
15 expenditures of fund; providing for codification; and  
16 providing an effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
19 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1000.4a of Title 59, unless  
20 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

21 A. The Construction Industries Board shall have the following  
22 powers:

23 1. To establish and maintain an Internet website, social media  
24 page or other web presence, as necessary for the conveyance of  
information regarding the Board or any of the trades the Board

1 regulates. Any costs associated with this paragraph shall be paid  
2 from the revolving funds administered by the Board; and

3 2. To enter into contracts with the Oklahoma Department of  
4 Career and Technology Education for any accredited vocational or  
5 technical school or system of education institution in the State of  
6 Oklahoma receiving state appropriations and offering programs in  
7 secondary and postsecondary instruction that provide electrical,  
8 mechanical, plumbing or roofing trade coursework for the purpose of:

9 a. developing and implementing instructional courses on  
10 Oklahoma statutes and rules that govern the  
11 electrical, mechanical, plumbing and roofing trades,  
12 which courses can be in conjunction with instruction  
13 in performing trade work or instruction on statewide-  
14 adopted trade codes, or both, for the advancement of  
15 the electrical, mechanical, plumbing and roofing  
16 trades, or

17 b. developing and implementing a workforce development  
18 program that will create interest in the pursuit of a  
19 skilled trade career. The workforce development  
20 program may consist of, but is not limited to, use of  
21 the Internet, community and school presentations, and  
22 research and instruction on the electrical,  
23 mechanical, plumbing and roofing trades.

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1 B. All contracts pursuant to this section shall be approved by  
2 the Construction Industries Board in accordance with the Oklahoma  
3 Open Meeting Act. Costs of the education and workforce development  
4 programs shall be paid from the Skilled Trade Education and  
5 Workforce Development Fund established herein and funded by  
6 administrative fines or penalties as described in this section.

7 C. Fines or penalties collected by the Board and deposited in  
8 the Oklahoma Mechanical Licensing Revolving Fund, Electrical  
9 Revolving Fund, Plumbing Licensing Revolving Fund or Roofing  
10 Contractor Registration Revolving Fund may be transferred to a  
11 separate Skilled Trade Education and Workforce Development Fund for  
12 the use of the following:

13 1. To develop instructional materials on Oklahoma laws,  
14 statutes and rules, as they relate to the plumbing, mechanical,  
15 electrical and roofing trades and state licensing standards;

16 2. To cover the cost of equipment, materials, personnel and any  
17 other costs of developing and implementing the trade curriculum; and

18 3. To cover the cost of equipment, materials, personnel and any  
19 other costs of developing and implementing the workforce development  
20 program used to promote the plumbing, mechanical, electrical and  
21 roofing trades as a career in Oklahoma.

22 D. The Skilled Trade Education and Workforce Development Fund  
23 monies shall be used only for the advancement of trade-related  
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1 education and workforce development, and only if available based  
2 upon statutory limitations.

3 E. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a revolving  
4 fund for the Construction Industries Board to be designated the  
5 "Skilled Trade Education and Workforce Development Fund". The fund  
6 shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations.  
7 The fund shall consist of an annual transfer of fully adjudicated  
8 fine revenue received in the Oklahoma Mechanical Licensing Revolving  
9 Fund, Electrical Revolving Fund, Plumbing Licensing Revolving Fund  
10 or Roofing Contractor Registration Revolving Fund as determined  
11 pursuant to this section. Funds will be transferred only from the  
12 prior fiscal year. If actual receipts, not including fine receipts,  
13 exceed actual expenses and outstanding encumbrances, then one  
14 hundred percent (100%) of all fully adjudicated fine revenue  
15 received will be transferred from each specific trade revolving  
16 fund: the Oklahoma Mechanical Licensing Revolving Fund, Electrical  
17 Revolving Fund, Plumbing Licensing Revolving Fund or Roofing  
18 Contractor Registration Revolving Fund.

19 F. If at any time the receipts in the Oklahoma Mechanical  
20 Licensing Revolving Fund, Electrical Revolving Fund, Plumbing  
21 Licensing Revolving Fund or Roofing Contractor Registration  
22 Revolving Fund, not including fine receipts, are less than actual  
23 expenses and outstanding encumbrances, then the difference of fine  
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1 receipts over actual expenses and outstanding encumbrances, if any,  
2 shall be transferred.

3 G. If at any time the annual receipts in the Oklahoma  
4 Mechanical Licensing Revolving Fund, Electrical Revolving Fund,  
5 Plumbing Licensing Revolving Fund or Roofing Contractor Registration  
6 Revolving Fund, including fine receipts, are less than the actual  
7 expenses and outstanding encumbrances, there will be no transfer of  
8 funds for that period.

9 H. All monies accruing to the credit of the Skilled Trade  
10 Education and Workforce Development Fund may be budgeted and  
11 expended by the Construction Industries Board for workforce  
12 development as it relates to the skilled trades and to contract for  
13 the services identified in Section 1000.4 of Title 59 of the  
14 Oklahoma Statutes. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon  
15 warrants issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as  
16 prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and  
17 Enterprise Services for approval and payment.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2017.

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