

1 ENGROSSED SENATE AMENDMENT  
TO

2 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
3 BILL NO. 1833

By: Sanders, Osborn (Leslie)  
and Murphey of the House

4 and

5 Griffin of the Senate

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8 An Act relating to the State Fire Marshal; amending  
9 68 O.S. 2011, Section 50001, as amended by Section  
10 569, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (68 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
11 Section 50001), which relates to tax on fire  
12 insurance gross premiums; \*\*\* Oklahoma State  
University fire service training; transferring  
13 certain duties of the Council on Firefighter Training  
14 to the State Fire Marshal Commission; providing an  
15 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

16 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 3, line 18, delete all language after the  
17 word "the" and before the semicolon and insert the  
18 words:

19 "State Fire Marshal Revolving Fund as defined in Section 324.20b  
20 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes"  
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1 Passed the Senate the 26th day of April, 2017.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

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10 569, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (68 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
11 Section 50001), which relates to tax on fire  
12 insurance gross premiums; redirecting certain amount  
13 of monies collected to the Fire Marshal Fund and  
14 General Revenue Fund; amending 74 O.S. 2011, Sections  
15 325.1, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 161, O.S.L.  
16 2012 and 325.3, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 220,  
17 O.S.L. 2013 (74 O.S. Supp. 2016, Sections 325.1 and  
18 325.3), which relate to the State Fire Marshal;  
19 abolishing the Oklahoma Council on Firefighter  
20 Training; transferring duties, equipment and funds to  
21 the State Fire Marshal; creating the Firefighter  
22 Training Advisory Committee within the Office of the  
23 State Fire Marshal; providing for membership of the  
24 Committee; directing Committee to advise and assist  
State Fire Marshal; providing Committee meeting  
frequency to be determined by State Fire Marshal  
Commission; transferring certain duties of the  
Council on Firefighter Training to the State Fire  
Marshal Commission; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section  
2358.7, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 161, O.S.L.  
2012 (68 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 2358.7), which  
relates to tax credits for volunteer firefighters;  
transferring certain duties of the Council on  
Firefighter Training to the State Fire Marshal  
Commission; amending Section 1, Chapter 220, O.S.L.  
2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 3401.2), which  
relates to Oklahoma State University fire service  
training; transferring certain duties of the Council  
on Firefighter Training to the State Fire Marshal

1 Commission; providing an effective date; and  
2 declaring an emergency.

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

5 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 50001, as  
6 amended by Section 569, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (68 O.S. Supp.  
7 2016, Section 50001), is amended to read as follows:

8 Section 50001. A. There is hereby levied upon percentages of  
9 fire insurance gross premiums from a sum of the following lines of  
10 insurance: fire, allied, homeowners multiperil, commercial  
11 multiperil, growing crops, ocean marine, inland marine, auto  
12 physical damage (including collision), and aircraft physical damage,  
13 less returns and dividends to policyholders, which is issued in this  
14 state by companies doing business in this state a tax of five-  
15 sixteenths of one percent (5/16 of 1%). The percentages of fire  
16 insurance gross premiums to be considered for taxation shall be  
17 determined annually by the Commissioner. This tax shall be  
18 collected annually, by the last day of February, from companies  
19 collecting such premiums and shall be collected by the Insurance  
20 Commissioner as other taxes on insurance are collected. The  
21 Insurance Commissioner shall keep a separate account of all such  
22 monies received and shall pay the same to the State Treasurer.

23 B. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a fund for the  
24 Fire Marshal Commission and the State Fire Marshal to be designated

1 the "Fire Marshal Fund". The fund shall consist of all monies  
2 collected pursuant to the provisions of this section and shall be  
3 used in the performance of duties imposed by law upon the Fire  
4 Marshal Commission and the Office of the State Fire Marshal.  
5 Expenditures from the Fire Marshal Fund shall be made upon warrants  
6 issued by the State Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by  
7 law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise  
8 Services for approval and payment. Beginning July 1, 1982, all  
9 expenditures from the Fire Marshal Fund shall be made pursuant only  
10 to legislative appropriation. ~~Beginning July 1, 1983, all monies~~  
11 ~~collected pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be~~  
12 ~~deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the General Revenue~~  
13 ~~Fund of the state.~~

14 C. All monies annually collected pursuant to the provisions of  
15 this section shall be apportioned as follows:

16 1. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2017, the first One  
17 Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,600,000.00) shall be  
18 deposited in the Fire Marshal Fund; provided, that ten percent (10%)  
19 of the first One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars  
20 (\$1,600,000.00) shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund of this  
21 state;

22 2. For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and for every  
23 subsequent fiscal year thereafter, the first Two Million Dollars  
24 (\$2,000,000.00) shall be deposited in the Fire Marshal Fund;

1 provided, that ten percent (10%) of the first Two Million Dollars  
2 (\$2,000,000.00) shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund of this  
3 state; and

4 3. Any remaining monies not apportioned pursuant to paragraphs  
5 1 and 2 of this subsection shall be deposited into the General  
6 Revenue Fund of this state.

7 D. Employees of the Office of State Fire Marshal, other than  
8 the State Fire Marshal, shall have salaries commensurate with those  
9 fixed by the Merit System of Personnel Administration. All salaries  
10 shall be payable monthly from funds available to the State Fire  
11 Marshal. The State Fire Marshal, subject to confirmation by the  
12 Fire Marshal Commission, shall appoint and fix the salaries of such  
13 employees as are necessary to fulfill the duties of his office.

14 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 325.1, as  
15 amended by Section 1, Chapter 161, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
16 Section 325.1), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 325.1 A. The Oklahoma Council on Firefighter Training  
18 is hereby abolished and all powers, duties and responsibilities of  
19 the Oklahoma Council on Firefighter Training shall be transferred to  
20 the Office of the State Fire Marshal. All equipment, vehicles,  
21 records, furniture and fixtures of the Oklahoma Council on  
22 Firefighter Training shall be turned over to the Office of the State  
23 Fire Marshal by January 1, 2018. Any unexpended balance of the  
24 Oklahoma Council on Firefighter Training's operational funds as of

1 January 1, 2018, shall be transferred to the Office of State Fire  
2 Marshal Revolving Fund.

3 B. There is hereby established within the ~~Oklahoma Council on~~  
4 Office of the State Fire Marshal, the Firefighter Training Advisory  
5 Committee.

6 ~~B. C.~~ C. The ~~Council~~ Committee shall consist of ~~ten (10) members,~~  
7 ~~three of whom shall be ex officio and nonvoting, as follows:~~

8 ~~1. One member to be appointed by the Oklahoma State~~  
9 ~~Firefighters Association who shall be a member of an Oklahoma fire~~  
10 ~~department representing all members of paid, volunteer and~~  
11 ~~combination fire departments;~~

12 ~~2. One member to be appointed by the Professional Fire Fighters~~  
13 ~~of Oklahoma who shall be a fire union officer, chief officer, or~~  
14 ~~fire service instructor from a full-time paid fire department;~~

15 ~~3. One member to be appointed by the Oklahoma Fire Chiefs'~~  
16 ~~Association who shall be a chief officer from an Oklahoma career or~~  
17 ~~combination or volunteer fire department;~~

18 ~~4. One member to be appointed by the State Fire Marshal~~  
19 ~~Commission who shall be a representative of the Oklahoma Fire~~  
20 ~~Service with preferred skills in arson investigation or code~~  
21 ~~enforcement;~~

22 ~~5. One member to be appointed by the Oklahoma Rural Fire~~  
23 ~~Coordinators who shall be a chief officer or fire service instructor~~  
24 ~~from a volunteer fire department;~~

1 ~~6. One member to be appointed by the Director of the State~~  
2 ~~Department of Health-Emergency Medical Services Division who shall~~  
3 ~~be a chief officer or fire service EMS instructor from an Oklahoma~~  
4 ~~fire department;~~

5 ~~7. One member to be appointed by the Director of the Oklahoma~~  
6 ~~Department of Homeland Security who shall be a municipal emergency~~  
7 ~~management official;~~

8 ~~8. The Director of Fire Service Training, Oklahoma State~~  
9 ~~University, ex officio and nonvoting;~~

10 ~~9. The Director of Fire Service Publications, Oklahoma State~~  
11 ~~University, ex officio and nonvoting; and~~

12 ~~10. The Director of the Oklahoma Department of Career and~~  
13 ~~Technology Education or the Director's designee, ex officio and~~  
14 ~~nonvoting.~~

15 ~~C. The initial term of office for the members of the Council~~  
16 ~~shall be:~~

17 ~~1. Three (3) years for persons appointed pursuant to paragraphs~~  
18 ~~1 through 3 of subsection B of this section;~~

19 ~~2. Two (2) years for persons appointed pursuant to paragraphs 4~~  
20 ~~and 5 of subsection B of this section; and~~

21 ~~3. One (1) year for persons appointed pursuant to paragraphs 6~~  
22 ~~and 7 of subsection B of this section.~~

1 ~~D. After the expiration of the initial terms of office~~  
2 ~~prescribed by subsection C of this section, the term of office for~~  
3 ~~each member of the Council shall be for a period of three (3) years.~~

4 ~~E. Each member of the Council shall serve at the pleasure of~~  
5 ~~the appointing authority.~~

6 ~~F. Appointments made to fill a vacancy in any position shall be~~  
7 ~~for the period of time remaining for such appointed position and~~  
8 ~~shall be made in the same manner as for the original appointment.~~

9 ~~Any vacancy in the Council shall be filled in the same manner as~~  
10 ~~provided for in the original appointment.~~

11 ~~G. representatives of the Oklahoma Fire Service, with the total~~  
12 ~~number and length of appointments to be determined by the State Fire~~  
13 ~~Marshal Commission.~~

14 ~~D. The Council Committee shall be responsible for:~~

15 1. ~~Identifying~~ Advise and assist the State Fire Marshal  
16 Commission in identifying firefighter training needs and setting the  
17 firefighter training goals for the State of Oklahoma;

18 2. ~~Interacting~~ Advise and assist the State Fire Marshal  
19 Commission in interacting with the Homeland Security Department's  
20 Preparedness and Awareness Division on firefighter training and  
21 grants;

22 3. ~~Administering~~ Advise and assist the State Fire Marshal  
23 Commission in administering and maintaining the incentive and  
24 recognition programs established for Oklahoma firefighters; and

1       4. ~~Ensuring~~ Advise and assist the State Fire Marshal Commission  
2 in ensuring that the state has consistent basic and continuing  
3 education programs that include steps for all ranks or positions of  
4 career and volunteer firefighters, by setting minimum standards for  
5 career, recommended levels for volunteer, identifying training  
6 programs and courses required for fire service members to achieve  
7 those levels.

8       H. E. The ~~Council~~ Committee shall ~~advise~~ assist the State Fire  
9 Marshal Commission in advising the Governor, the Speaker of the  
10 House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the State  
11 Senate and the Oklahoma State Fire Service on fire and emergency  
12 service training needs for the state. The ~~Council~~ State Fire  
13 Marshal Commission shall submit an annual report or recommendations  
14 regarding fire and emergency service training needs to the Governor,  
15 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro  
16 Tempore of the State Senate not later than December 31 each year.

17       ~~I. After the initial appointments to the Council have been made~~  
18 ~~and at the beginning of each fiscal year thereafter, the Council~~  
19 ~~shall select from among its membership a chairperson and vice-~~  
20 ~~chairperson. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall be selected~~  
21 ~~annually at the first regularly scheduled meeting of the Board on or~~  
22 ~~after July 1. Either the current chairperson or current vice-~~  
23 ~~chairperson shall be a current volunteer member of a combination or~~  
24 ~~volunteer fire department.~~

1 ~~J. At least four members of the Council must be present to~~  
2 ~~constitute a quorum at the meetings of the Council. A simple~~  
3 ~~majority of the members in attendance and voting shall constitute~~  
4 ~~passage of any vote.~~

5 ~~K. The chair of the Council shall recommend to the appointing~~  
6 ~~authority the replacement of any Council member who misses more than~~  
7 ~~two consecutive regular meetings or who attends less than fifty~~  
8 ~~percent (50%) of the Council's regularly scheduled meetings in a~~  
9 ~~twelve month period without an excused absence.~~

10 ~~L. The Council may seek federal and private grants where~~  
11 ~~applicable.~~

12 ~~M. The Council shall conduct six meetings annually. Meetings~~  
13 ~~of the Council shall be held at a location and time to be determined~~  
14 ~~by the chair. The chair shall have the discretion to cancel or~~  
15 ~~reschedule any regular meeting by written notice within a reasonable~~  
16 ~~time prior to the meeting. Council members shall be notified of the~~  
17 ~~time and place of all such meetings at least seven (7) days prior to~~  
18 ~~the meeting date.~~

19 ~~N. Special meetings of the Council may be called at the~~  
20 ~~discretion of the chair or by a written request of at least three~~  
21 ~~members of the Council. An agenda, together with a written notice~~  
22 ~~of the time and place of any such meeting must be provided to the~~  
23 ~~Council members at least seven (7) days in advance. Only matters~~  
24 ~~contained in the agenda shall be voted on at any special meeting.~~

1 ~~The chair shall have the discretion to cancel any special meeting;~~  
2 ~~provided, that such meetings called by the members of the Council~~  
3 ~~are canceled only with their consent.~~

4 F. The Committee shall meet at the discretion of the State Fire  
5 Marshal Commission.

6 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 325.3, as  
7 amended by Section 3, Chapter 220, O.S.L. 2013 (74 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
8 Section 325.3), is amended to read as follows:

9 Section 325.3 A. Oklahoma State University Fire Service  
10 Training in conjunction with the Oklahoma Office of Homeland  
11 Security and the ~~Oklahoma Council on Firefighter Training (COFT)~~  
12 State Fire Marshal Commission shall develop a program to educate  
13 firefighters on a unified command protocol for emergency incidents  
14 occurring in this state. This program shall be offered statewide by  
15 Oklahoma State University Fire Service Training. Methods of  
16 training may include, but are not limited to:

- 17 1. Live classroom sessions with approved instructors;
- 18 2. Live exercises and drills with approved instructors;
- 19 3. Interactive television;
- 20 4. Independent study; and
- 21 5. Web-based methods.

22 B. The training program shall be in compliance with the  
23 National Incident Management System (NIMS) and shall include  
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1 provisions consistent with the National Fire Protection Association  
2 training courses.

3 C. The program shall have curriculum and training materials  
4 that are consistently utilized by all training providers at all  
5 training locations.

6 D. Subject to funding, these programs shall be offered at  
7 facilities approved by Oklahoma State University Fire Service  
8 Training and shall include, but not be limited to, other  
9 institutions of higher education, technology center school  
10 facilities, local fire departments and other qualified entities.

11 E. Oklahoma State University Fire Service Training shall carry  
12 out all duties and responsibilities in accordance with Section ~~4~~  
13 3401.2 of ~~this act~~ Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

14 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2358.7, as  
15 amended by Section 2, Chapter 161, O.S.L. 2012 (68 O.S. Supp. 2016,  
16 Section 2358.7), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 2358.7 A. For taxable years beginning after December  
18 31, 2004, there shall be allowed as a credit against the tax imposed  
19 pursuant to Section 2355 of this title an amount equal to:

20 1. Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) each year for which a  
21 volunteer firefighter provides proof of certification as required by  
22 subsection B of this section; and

23 2. Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) each year following the  
24 taxable years for which a taxpayer is eligible for the credit

1 provided by paragraph 1 of this subsection for a volunteer  
2 firefighter providing proof of certification as required by  
3 subsection D of this section.

4 B. In order to claim the tax credit authorized by paragraph 1  
5 of subsection A of this section, a volunteer firefighter shall be  
6 required to provide adequate documentation to the Oklahoma Tax  
7 Commission of at least twelve (12) credited hours toward the State  
8 Support or State Basic Firefighter or Firefighter I from an  
9 internationally recognized accrediting assembly or board, their  
10 equivalent, or other related fire or emergency medical services  
11 training approved by the ~~Council on Firefighter Training~~ State Fire  
12 Marshal Commission and offered by Oklahoma State University Fire  
13 Service Training or Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology  
14 Education prior to or during the first taxable year for which a tax  
15 credit is claimed pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection A of this  
16 section. For the purpose of this subsection, the local fire chief  
17 shall be the authority having jurisdiction and shall choose and  
18 approve all volunteer firefighter training in the applicable  
19 department.

20 C. For each year subsequent to the first year for which a  
21 volunteer firefighter may claim the tax credit authorized by  
22 paragraph 1 of subsection A of this section, in order to claim any  
23 further tax credits pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection A of this  
24 section, the volunteer firefighter shall be required to provide

1 documentation that the firefighter has completed an additional six  
2 (6) hours of State Support or State Basic Firefighter or Firefighter  
3 I from an internationally recognized accrediting assembly or board,  
4 their equivalent, or other related fire or emergency medical  
5 services training approved by the ~~Council on Firefighter Training~~  
6 State Fire Marshal Commission until such program or its equivalent  
7 is completed. For purposes of this subsection, equivalency shall be  
8 determined by the ~~Oklahoma Council on Firefighter Training~~ State  
9 Fire Marshal Commission and Oklahoma State University Fire Service  
10 Training. For purposes of this subsection, Firefighter I or  
11 Firefighter II certifications or their equivalents may be provided  
12 in lieu of the State Support or State Basic Firefighter completion.

13 D. After having completed the State Support or State Basic  
14 Firefighter program, in order to be eligible for the tax credit  
15 authorized by paragraph 2 of subsection A of this section, the  
16 volunteer firefighter shall:

17 1. Complete at least six (6) hours of continuing education each  
18 year until the volunteer firefighter completes Intermediate or  
19 Advanced Firefighter or Firefighter I from an internationally  
20 recognized accrediting assembly or board, their equivalent, or other  
21 related fire or emergency medical services training approved by the  
22 ~~Council on Firefighter Training~~ State Fire Marshal Commission or its  
23 equivalent. For purposes of this paragraph, equivalency shall be  
24 determined by the ~~Oklahoma Council on Firefighter Training~~ State

1 Fire Marshal Commission and Oklahoma State University Fire Service  
2 Training;

3 2. After completion of Intermediate or Advanced Firefighter or  
4 Firefighter I from an internationally recognized accrediting  
5 assembly or board, their equivalent, or other related fire or  
6 emergency medical services training approved by the ~~Council on~~  
7 ~~Firefighter Training~~ State Fire Marshal Commission, the volunteer  
8 firefighter shall complete six (6) hours of training per year to  
9 claim the tax credit. For the purpose of this subsection, the local  
10 fire chief shall be the authority having jurisdiction and shall  
11 choose and approve all volunteer firefighter training in the  
12 applicable department;

13 3. Provide documentation from the fire chief of the applicable  
14 department that the firefighter has been provided and participated  
15 in all annual training as required by federal and state authorities;  
16 and

17 4. Provide documentation from the fire chief of the applicable  
18 department that the volunteer firefighter has met the requirements  
19 under the fire department's constitution and bylaws and is a member  
20 in good standing of the department together with a record of the  
21 total number of years of service in good standing with such  
22 department.

23 E. The Office of the State Fire Marshal and the ~~Oklahoma~~  
24 ~~Council on Firefighter Training~~ State Fire Marshal Commission shall

1 prescribe a reporting form for use by volunteer fire departments and  
2 by volunteer firefighters in order to provide the certifications  
3 required by this section.

4 F. The Oklahoma Tax Commission may require copies of such  
5 reporting form provided by the ~~Oklahoma Council on Firefighter~~  
6 ~~Training~~ State Fire Marshal Commission regarding training history to  
7 verify eligibility for the tax credits provided by this section.

8 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 220, O.S.L.  
9 2013 (70 O.S. Supp. 2016, Section 3401.2), is amended to read as  
10 follows:

11 Section 3401.2 A. The purpose of Oklahoma State University  
12 Fire Service Training (OSU FST) shall be to develop, deliver,  
13 support and evaluate training, education and professional  
14 certification programs for fire service in this state to ensure  
15 emergency responders may safely and successfully perform their  
16 duties.

17 B. OSU FST shall:

18 1. Deliver and support training and education programs for fire  
19 service and other emergency responders in this state to meet local  
20 and state needs by:

21 a. collaborating with technology center schools and other  
22 training providers to ensure training, training  
23 support and support of certification testing ~~is~~ are  
24 readily available to all areas of the state to

1 accomplish the ~~Oklahoma Council on Firefighter~~  
2 ~~Training (COFT)~~ State Fire Marshal Commission annual  
3 state training plan and regional training plans which  
4 are voluntarily developed and adopted, and

- 5 b. collaborating with technology center schools and other  
6 training providers to develop and maintain a database  
7 of available instructors to teach fire and emergency  
8 responder topics. The database shall be maintained on  
9 the OSU FST website and made available to other  
10 training providers;

11 2. Collaborate with ~~COFT~~ the State Fire Marshal Commission on  
12 efforts which shall include, but not be limited to, participation in  
13 the activities of the ~~COFT~~ State Fire Marshal Commission training  
14 task force and initiatives intended to accomplish ~~COFT~~ the State  
15 Fire Marshal Commission firefighter training goals and the state-  
16 specific standards certification program;

17 3. Develop or adopt and disseminate curriculum and  
18 instructional materials to fire departments and training providers  
19 consistent with state and federal statutory requirements for  
20 classes, courses and programs for delivery to fire service in this  
21 state, with every effort being made to provide the curriculum and  
22 materials at minimal or no cost. Unless required by state or  
23 federal regulations, selection, adoption and/or use of the OSU-FST-  
24 disseminated curriculum and training materials or instructors shall

1 be at the discretion of each training provider or local fire  
2 department;

3 4. Maintain and make available by electronic means, in a manner  
4 consistent with state and federal regulations, to the ~~Oklahoma~~  
5 ~~Council on Firefighter Training~~ State Fire Marshal Commission, fire  
6 chiefs, training officers and other agencies as required by law, as  
7 requested, all training and certification records of Oklahoma  
8 firefighters who participate in training sponsored by OSU FST or  
9 records provided to OSU FST by local fire departments or other  
10 training agencies. The provisions of this paragraph shall not apply  
11 to state and federal wild-land fire agencies;

12 5. Develop, administer and evaluate an accredited certification  
13 program available to all firefighters and other emergency responders  
14 based on National Fire Protection Association standards and/or state  
15 and federal standards. The program shall:

16 a. be accredited through the International Fire Service  
17 Accreditation Congress and/or the National Board on  
18 Fire Service Professional Qualifications at levels  
19 deemed beneficial to fire service in this state,

20 b. provide for dissemination to recognized certification  
21 partners and posting to the OSU FST's website a list  
22 of qualified proctors and evaluators for use during  
23 OSU FST certification events,

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- 1 c. develop, as requested, special certifications based on  
2 state-specific standards adopted by ~~COFT~~ the State  
3 Fire Marshal Commission or other state agencies that  
4 are designed for emergency responders in this state,  
5 which may not be accredited,
- 6 d. maintain certification records and disseminate  
7 certifications of ~~COFT~~ State-Fire-Marshall-Commission-  
8 adopted or -approved Oklahoma state-specific  
9 certifications. The certifications may be jointly  
10 labeled as ~~COFT~~ the State Fire Marshal Commission, OSU  
11 FST, the Oklahoma Career and Technology Education  
12 System or other ~~COFT~~ State-Fire-Marshall-Commission-  
13 approved training providers administering state-  
14 specific certifications,
- 15 e. ensure that the Oklahoma state-specific certifications  
16 shall not duplicate certifications accredited by the  
17 International Fire Service Accreditation Congress or  
18 the National Board on Fire Service Professional  
19 Qualifications, or titles of certification levels  
20 listed in the National Fire Protection Association  
21 professional qualifications standards, and
- 22 f. when requested by an Oklahoma fire department or state  
23 agency, facilitate delivery of International Fire  
24 Service Accreditation Congress and National Board on

1 Fire Service Professional Qualifications accredited  
2 certification processes which are not currently  
3 available through OSU FST; and

4 6. Fulfill any other statutory requirements set forth by the  
5 Legislature.

6 C. OSU FST shall be the Oklahoma state government  
7 representative to the United States Fire Administration's National  
8 Fire Academy and shall be responsible for delivering and  
9 disseminating training courses provided by, or made available  
10 through, the National Fire Academy.

11 D. Beginning September 15, 2014, and continuing on September 15  
12 every following year, OSU FST shall submit an annual report  
13 regarding its programs, activity and accomplishments to the Chair of  
14 the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical  
15 Colleges, the President of Oklahoma State University and the Dean of  
16 the Oklahoma State University College of Engineering, Architecture  
17 and Technology.

18 E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to divert funding  
19 from one entity to another. Nothing in this section shall be  
20 construed to limit, preclude or exempt an organization, agency or  
21 local department from delivery of training; development, adoption or  
22 dissemination of training curriculum or materials; participation in  
23 a ~~COFT~~ State Fire Marshal Commission certification program based on  
24 an Oklahoma state-specific standard adopted or approved by ~~COFT~~ the

1 State Fire Marshal Commission; or issuance of a certificate of  
2 completion of training.

3 SECTION 6. This act shall become effective July 1, 2017.

4 SECTION 7. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
5 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
6 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
7 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

8 Passed the House of Representatives the 7th day of March, 2017.

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Presiding Officer of the House  
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Passed the Senate the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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