

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
2 BILL NO. 3215

By: West (Kevin) of the House

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4 Daniels of the Senate  
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7 An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
8 amending 59 O.S. 2021, Sections 1684 and 1688, which  
9 relate to the Electrical License Act; establishing  
10 maximum grade value and passing score; providing for  
11 retaking of exam; establishing time limit for  
12 registration certificates; requiring continuing  
13 education for renewal of certain licenses; requiring  
14 amendment of administrative rules; providing for  
15 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1684, is  
18 amended to read as follows:

19 Section 1684. A. Examinations for licenses as electrical  
20 contractors or journeyman electricians shall be uniform and  
21 practical in nature for each respective license and shall be  
22 sufficiently strict to test the qualifications and fitness of the  
23 applicants for licenses. Examinations shall be in whole or in part  
24 in writing. The Committee shall conduct examinations twice a year  
and at such other times as it deems necessary.

1 B. ~~Any applicant initially failing to pass the examination~~  
2 ~~shall not be permitted to take another examination for a period of~~  
3 ~~thirty (30) days. Any applicant subsequently failing to pass the~~  
4 ~~examination shall not be permitted to take another examination for a~~  
5 ~~period of ninety (90) days~~ The maximum grade value of each part of  
6 any such examination shall be one hundred (100) points. A passing  
7 score shall be seventy percent (70%) or higher on each part. Any  
8 applicant failing to pass the examination shall not be permitted to  
9 take another examination for a period of thirty (30) days.

10 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1688, is  
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 1688. A. No license shall be issued for longer than  
13 one (1) year, and all licenses shall expire on the last day in the  
14 birth month of the licensee. A license may be renewed upon  
15 application and payment of fees thirty (30) days preceding or  
16 following the date the license is due. Licenses renewed more than  
17 thirty (30) days following the date of expiration may be renewed  
18 only upon application and payment of all required fees and payment  
19 of any penalty for late renewal established by the Board and upon  
20 compliance with any applicable continuing education requirements  
21 established by the Board and the Electrical License Act. No penalty  
22 for late renewal shall be charged to any holder of a license which  
23 expires while the holder is in military service, if an application  
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1 for renewal is made within one (1) year following the service  
2 discharge of the holder.

3 ~~B. No journeyman or contractor license shall be renewed unless  
4 the licensee has completed the required hours of continuing  
5 education, as determined and approved by the Committee of Electrical  
6 Examiners and approved by the Construction Industries Board.~~

7 ~~C. An apprentice registration certificate or a student intern  
8 registration certificate shall be issued for one (1) year, at which  
9 time the apprentice may reregister upon meeting the requirements of  
10 the Construction Industries Board and paying the renewal fee An  
11 apprentice registration certificate or a student intern registration  
12 certificate shall be issued for one (1) year, at which time the  
13 apprentice may reregister upon meeting the requirements of the  
14 Construction Industries Board and paying the renewal fee.~~

15 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1688.1 of Title 59, unless there  
17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. 1. Effective January 1, 2026, no contractor or journeyman  
19 license shall be renewed unless the licensee has completed twelve  
20 (12) hours of continuing education every three (3) years or thirty-  
21 six (36) months preceding the expiration date of the license or  
22 registration certificate. The continuing education course and  
23 instructor shall be approved in advance by the Committee of  
24 Electrical Examiners. Exceptions to advance approval, or post-

1 course approval, may be allowed by the Committee, or its designee,  
2 for substitute instructors in emergency situations when written  
3 notice of the emergency is provided to the Committee or its designee  
4 within seven (7) days of the course. The location of continuing  
5 education courses shall be at the discretion of the course provider  
6 and may be scheduled during the workday at the discretion of the  
7 course provider. The continuing education material shall cover six  
8 (6) hours of codes and revisions adopted by the Oklahoma Uniform  
9 Building Code Commission (OUBCC). The remaining six (6) hours may  
10 include the study of: electrical circuit theory and calculations,  
11 wiring methods, grounding and bonding, transformer and motor theory,  
12 electrical circuits and devices, control systems, alternative energy  
13 systems including energy storage, safety related to the electrical  
14 industry as defined by NFPA 70E, manufacturers' installation of  
15 equipment or parts, the Electrical License Act, the trade  
16 regulations as set forth in this act as well as the rules of the  
17 Construction Industries Board, and other trade subject matters  
18 approved by the Committee.

19 2. Effective January 1, 2026, no apprentice shall be permitted  
20 to reregister unless the apprentice registrant has completed three  
21 (3) hours of continuing education every year preceding the  
22 expiration date of the registration certificate. The continuing  
23 education course and instructor shall be approved in advance by the  
24 Committee. Exceptions to advance approval, or post-course approval,

1 may be allowed by the Committee, or its designee, for substitute  
2 instructors in emergency situations when written notice of the  
3 emergency is provided to the Committee or its designee within seven  
4 (7) days of the course. The location of continuing education  
5 courses shall be at the discretion of the course provider and may be  
6 scheduled during the workday at the discretion of the course  
7 provider. The continuing education material shall cover a  
8 combination of the codes and revisions adopted by the OUBCC,  
9 Oklahoma electrical industry regulations as well as the rules of the  
10 Construction Industries Board, and "electrical safety" as defined by  
11 NFPA 70E, other trade subject matters approved by the Committee, or  
12 approved continuing education for the contractor or journeyman.  
13 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, if an apprentice  
14 is a student apprentice or is enrolled and attending an approved  
15 course, the continuing education shall not be required.

16 B. The Construction Industries Board shall amend its rules,  
17 wherever applicable, to conform to the provisions of the Electrical  
18 License Act.

19 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.  
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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 11th day of March, 2024.

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5 of Representatives

6 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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