

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 12, 2024

3 SENATE BILL NO. 1795

By: Alvord

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6 An Act relating to pesticides; amending 2 O.S. 2021,  
7 Section 3-82, as amended by Section 11, Chapter 72,  
8 O.S.L. 2023 (2 O.S. Supp. 2023, Section 3-82), which  
9 relates to applicator licenses; modifying elements of  
10 aerial license; making language gender neutral; and  
11 providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. 2021, Section 3-82, as  
14 amended by Section 11, Chapter 72, O.S.L. 2023 (2 O.S. Supp. 2023,  
15 Section 3-82), is amended to read as follows:

16 Section 3-82. A. It shall be unlawful for any person to act,  
17 operate, or do business or advertise as a commercial, noncommercial,  
18 certified applicator, temporary certified applicator, service  
19 technician, or private applicator unless the person has obtained a  
20 valid applicator's license issued by the State Board of Agriculture  
21 for the category of pesticide application in which the person is  
22 engaged, unless the person is applying to ~~their~~ his or her own  
23 property.

24 B. A license may be issued by the Board in any category of  
pesticide application if the applicant qualifies and the applicant

1 is limited to the category of pesticide application named on the  
2 license. The Board may establish categories of pesticide  
3 application as necessary. Licenses shall be issued upon application  
4 to the Board on a form prescribed by the Board. The application  
5 shall contain information regarding the applicant's qualifications,  
6 proposed operations, and other information as specified by the  
7 Board.

8 C. 1. An aerial license shall not be issued or be valid unless  
9 the applicant files with the Board a copy of a valid document issued  
10 by the Federal Aviation Administration showing that the person is  
11 qualified to operate or supervise the operation of an aircraft  
12 ~~conducting agricultural operations~~ and a copy of any other  
13 applicable certification as required by the Federal Aviation  
14 Administration for pesticide application. Applicants for an aerial  
15 license and pilots working under a license may be subject to a  
16 complete and thorough background examination.

17 2. The Board shall promulgate rules regarding aerial  
18 applicators and applications consistent with federal law and shall  
19 solicit the assistance of the Federal Aviation Administration in the  
20 enforcement of this subsection.

21 D. Each business location shall require a separate license and  
22 separate certified applicator except that a certified applicator for  
23 a noncommercial business location may also serve as the certified  
24 applicator for one commercial business location.

1 E. A license shall not be issued for the category of pesticide  
2 application of any applicant or representative who has a temporary  
3 certification.

4 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

5 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS  
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