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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public health and safety; creating the Mobile Food Vendor Act; defining terms; requiring persons who operate as mobile food vendors to obtain a license; prohibiting political subdivisions from restricting certain vendors; requiring the State Department of Health to prepare and make available a license application; authorizing the Department to require certain information; authorizing the Department to require certain information by individuals under oath; requiring applicants to abide by requests for information; providing conditions for denial of license; requiring the Department or a political subdivision to conduct an inspection; stating purpose of inspection; authorizing the Department to establish a fee; requiring the Department to issue a license under certain conditions; prohibiting transfer of license; providing exception to invalidation of license; providing for renewal of license; requiring the Department to submit notice of expiration; making it a crime to knowingly provide false information; requiring the Department to create and make available a guide; requiring mobile food vendors to follow all laws not in conflict with this act; providing locations to operate mobile food trucks; requiring certain operational standards; requiring display of license and certification; authorizing the State Commissioner of Health to promulgate rules that adhere to certain restrictions; requiring mobile food vendors to follow laws and regulations regarding food handling and safety; requiring possession of a staterecognized food safety certification; requiring the Department to classify mobile food vendors; requiring inspections at a frequency based on classifications; requiring the Department to establish and maintain a

database; authorizing the Department to collaborate with political subdivisions for inspections; requiring inspection certificates based on a letter grade format; requiring notification of inspection; authorizing mobile food vendors to request the Department to obtain an administrative warrant; requiring the Department to calculate average inspection costs; stating limit on fees for inspection; authorizing reimbursement of inspection fees under certain circumstances; authorizing political subdivisions to regulate certain aspects of operations; prohibiting political subdivisions from regulating certain aspects of operations; authorizing the Department and political subdivisions to investigate under certain circumstances; providing for license denial, revocation and suspension; providing for penalties; authorizing persons to request an administrative hearing; providing statutory reference; requiring the Department to provide decision at the conclusion of hearing; prohibiting certain persons from operating as mobile food vendors; authorizing persons to appeal hearing decision; providing preemption of political subdivisions; stating the act shall not be construed to compel political subdivisions to take certain actions; amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-1118, which relates to food establishment licenses; adding exemption; providing for codification; and providing

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

an effective date.

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1150 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows: This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Mobile Food Vendor Act".

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SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1151 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

As used in the Mobile Food Vendor Act:

- 1. "Customer" means any person with whom a mobile food vendor conducts his or her mobile vending business, or any person who stops to contemplate conducting such business with a mobile food vendor;
  - "Department" means the State Department of Health;
- "Food vending vehicle" means any motorized, two-axle vehicle used to sell food and beverages by a mobile food vendor;
- 4. "Local authority" means any local government including any town, city, charter city, political subdivision or county;
- "Mobile food vendor" means any person who dispenses food or beverages from a food vending vehicle for immediate service or consumption;
- "Person" means any individual, group of individuals, firm, partnership, company, corporation, trustee, association or any public or private entity and includes the entity's employees or agents;
- 7. "Prepackaged food" means any commercially labeled and processed food prepackaged to prevent direct human contact with the food product upon distribution from the manufacturer, a food facility or other approved source;

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- 8. "Public property" means any property owned and operated by this state or a local authority for the benefit of the public and includes all rights-of-way contained wholly within any state or local authority parks; and
- 9. "Sell" means to transfer or exchange for value, to expose, display or offer for sale or exchange, or to procure, store, keep or have on hand or in one's possession or control for the purpose of selling.
- A new section of law to be codified SECTION 3. NEW LAW in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1152 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- No person may operate as a mobile food vendor in this state without obtaining a mobile food vending license from the State Department of Health. A separate mobile food license shall be required for every food vending vehicle used by a mobile food vendor.
- B. No local authority may prohibit a mobile food vendor from lawfully operating in its jurisdiction if the vendor holds a mobile food vending license and is in compliance with all other state laws and local laws not in conflict with this act.
- SECTION 4. A new section of law to be codified NEW LAW in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1153 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

- A. The State Department of Health shall prepare a written application for a statewide mobile food vending license. The Department shall make the mobile food vending license application available to applicants in person and on the Department's website.
- B. The Department shall require an applicant to provide the following information, under oath, before issuing a license:
- The name, permanent address and telephone number of the applicant;
- 2. The name, address and telephone number of any associated entities or organizations that the applicant is representing and copies of documents verifying that relationship;
- 3. A listing of all primary residences for the last five (5) years;
- 4. A statement of whether any employees or agents will operate with the applicant under the license and whether the employees or agents hold a current food safety certification;
- 5. The nature of the food or beverages to be offered by the applicant; and
- 6. A statement of whether the applicant has previously been denied a license to operate as a mobile food vendor or if the applicant has had a previous mobile food vending license suspended or revoked in any state or local jurisdiction and, if so, the reasons or the circumstances surrounding the denial, suspension or revocation.

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- In addition to the written application, the Department shall require an applicant who will operate from a food vending vehicle to provide the following:
- 1. A listing of all vehicle license numbers, vehicle descriptions, vehicle identification numbers and vehicle registration papers;
- 2. Proof of automobile insurance for the vehicle or vehicles from which the applicant proposes to conduct business; and
- 3. A copy or proof of any additional licenses or permits required by this state for certain commercial vehicles.
- Any person who drives a food vending vehicle shall hold a current driver license to drive the food vending vehicle.
- The applicant shall complete the application form and abide Ε. by any request for information required by this act made by the Department. The applicant may submit one application for all vehicles which require a license. Failure to submit a complete application form and provide all requested information may result in denial of a license.
- Within thirty (30) days of receiving a complete application, the Department, or a local authority acting under a collaborative agreement pursuant to Section 6 of this act, shall conduct a health inspection, if required by the Department, prior to issuing a mobile food vending license. The purpose of the inspection is to ensure the applicant's vehicle is safe for preparing, handling and selling

food to customers and the applicant is compliant with applicable regulations.

- G. The Department may establish a reasonable schedule of fees not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for a mobile food vending license or for renewal of a mobile food vending license.

  The Department may also establish an inspection fee that covers the average cost of conducting health inspections for the vendor and charge that fee in conjunction with a mobile food vending license fee or the renewal fee of a mobile food vending license.
- H. Upon a receipt of a complete application and an applicant passing initial inspection if required by the Department, the Department shall issue a mobile vending license to the applicant. Licenses shall be valid for one (1) year.
- I. Licenses are not transferable, nor shall a license authorize the activities of any person other than the person to whom it is issued, except that the sale of the specific vehicle identified in a license application, when replaced by another vending vehicle on a one-for-one basis, will not invalidate the original license nor cause a new license to be required. When replacing a vending vehicle on a one-for-one basis, the licensee shall notify the Department of the information required by subsection C of this section. If the Department determines an inspection of the new vehicle is required, the inspection shall take place as soon as

practicable but no later than fourteen (14) calendar days from receipt of the information required by subsection C of this section.

- J. If a mobile food vendor transfers its mobile food vending business assets, the recipient of the assets shall, before operating in the state, apply for and obtain a new mobile food vending license.
- K. Licenses shall be renewed on an annual basis. The

  Department shall send notice to the licensee. It is the

  responsibility of the licensee to submit the renewal application

  annually, at least fourteen (14) days prior to the license's

  expiration date. While an application for renewal is pending with

  the Department, a licensee may continue mobile food vending

  operations.
- L. It shall be a misdemeanor for any individual to intentionally provide false information or to intentionally omit requested information on an application for any license issued pursuant to this act.
- M. The Department shall prepare a guide for applicants for a mobile food vending license. The guide shall include instructions for applying for, obtaining and maintaining a mobile food vending license and shall describe the standards used to inspect food vending vehicles. The guide shall be made available for applicants in person at the Department's office and on the Department's website.

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A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1154 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Mobile food vendors shall follow all state and local laws and regulations governing operations in the jurisdiction where the vendor is operating including without limitation all fire codes, zoning codes, occupational tax codes and any other applicable state and local authority codes and laws not in conflict with the provisions of this act.

- A mobile food vendor may operate in the following locations: В.
- On public property, except as provided in paragraph 3 of subsection A of Section 7 of this act, so long as the vending vehicle is not parked within twenty (20) feet of an intersection. mobile vendor may operate from legal parking spaces on the public right-of-way including metered spaces upon payment of appropriate fees. When operating on public property, a mobile vendor is subject to the same parking rules, restrictions and obligations that a commercial vehicle would be subject to if not used by a mobile food vendor; and
  - On private property under the following circumstances:
    - the property is located in an industrial, commercial a. or institutional zoning district, and the vendor has permission of the property owner or designee or a lessor, and

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b. the property is located in a residential zoning district, and the mobile food vendor has been invited by a resident or group of residents in that district to operate on their property for the purpose of serving food to that resident, group of residents or their guests.

- C. A mobile food vendor shall not operate in any manner which will interfere with or obstruct the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles along any street, sidewalk or parkway.
  - D. When operating, a mobile food vendor shall:
- 1. Maintain a food vending vehicle in good operating order and visual appearance including the removal of any graffiti that is not part of the overall design or art featured on the vehicle;
- 2. Park so that its service window faces the sidewalk or away from the street if the vehicle is parked along a street;
  - 3. Serve customers through a service window;
- 4. Provide a waste receptacle for customers which is clearly visible and request its use by customers;
- 5. Remove and dispose of all refuse within twenty-five (25) feet of the vendor's operating area at the conclusion of operation;
  - 6. Submit to and pass any required health inspections; and
- 7. Display the mobile food vendor license and required inspection certificates or permits in a conspicuous location for public view.

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- E. The State Commissioner of Health may promulgate rules to enforce the provisions of this act. Rules adopted shall not:
- 1. Require a mobile food vendor to operate a specific distance from the perimeter of an existing commercial establishment;
- 2. Require a mobile food vendor to enter into any agreement with a commercial establishment;
  - 3. Restrict the operating hours of a mobile food vendor;
- 4. Require a mobile food vendor that does not prepare food to have a handwashing sink in his or her food vending vehicle;
- 5. Require a mobile food vendor to associate with a commissary if the vendor carries all the equipment necessary to comply with health and safety standards and all applicable regulations;
  - 6. Limit the number of mobile food vendor licenses issued;
- 7. Require a mobile food vendor to obtain any additional permits from a local authority, unless the mobile food vendor seeks to operate in a local, public park;
  - 8. Require a mobile food vendor to be fingerprinted;
- 9. Require a mobile food vendor to install a Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking device on the vendor's vehicle;
- 10. Require a mobile food vendor to stay in constant motion except for when serving customers;
- 11. Require a mobile food vendor to maintain insurance that names a local authority as an additional insured unless the vendor is attending an event sponsored by the local authority; and

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- 12. Require a mobile food vendor to submit to inspections beyond health inspections conducted by the Department or by a local authority under a collaborative agreement with the Department, unless the Department is investigating a reported foodborne illness.
- SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1155 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. Mobile food vendors shall adhere to all laws and regulations of the Oklahoma Administrative Code pertaining to the preparation and handling of food.
- B. Any person preparing food or beverages in a food vending vehicle shall hold a current food safety certification recognized by this state. At all times at least one person working in a food vending vehicle must hold a current food safety certification recognized by this state.
- C. Upon receipt of a complete license application, the State

  Department of Health shall classify a mobile food vendor into one of

  the following three classifications for the purpose of conducting

  inspections:
- 1. If a vendor dispenses prepackaged foods or non-time/temperature control for safety food, as defined in 310:257-1-2 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code, beverages or poses a low risk of harm to the public, it shall be classified as a Mobile Food Type I Vendor;

2. If a vendor dispenses food that requires limited handling
and preparation, it shall be classified as a Mobile Food Type II
Vendor; and

- 3. If a vendor prepares, cooks, holds and serves food from the vehicle, it shall be classified as a Mobile Food Type III Vendor.
- D. The Department shall specify the categories of foods or beverages that mobile vendors in each classification may serve. If a mobile food vendor seeks to serve food or beverages that may require the vendor to be reclassified, the mobile food vendor shall notify the Department of the nature of the food or beverages to be sold, and the Department shall reclassify the mobile food vendor.
- E. For the purpose of protecting public health and safety, the Department shall ensure that mobile food vendors are inspected on an ongoing, randomized basis pursuant to the frequency set forth in subsection I of this section based on their classification and inspection grade. The Department, upon a local authority's request, may enter into a collaborative agreement with the local authority for conducting health inspections. The Department shall reimburse the local authority acting under a collaborative agreement for the cost of conducting inspections using funds from inspection fees collected from licensees pursuant to subsection K of this section.
- F. The Department shall establish and maintain a statewide database for the Department and local authorities to record and

reference the names of licensees, inspections, inspection reports and public complaints.

- G. Health inspections shall be conducted by the Department or a local authority acting under a collaborative agreement using statewide inspection criteria and a score-based grading system established by the Department based on objective factors. The inspection criteria shall provide a letter-grade format that rates the vendor with an "A," "B," "C" or "F" grade, based on the score received during the inspection. If a vendor receives two consecutive "A" grades, it shall be given a certificate of excellence. If a vendor receives an "F" grade, the Department may suspend the mobile food vendor's license until the mobile food vendor corrects the violations.
- H. Upon completion of an inspection, the Department, or local authority operating under a collaborative agreement, shall issue a certificate to the mobile food vendor displaying the vendor's letter grade or achievement of excellence and record the grade in the Department's database. The mobile food vendor shall display its certificate indicating its letter grade or achievement of excellence in a conspicuous place for public view.
- I. Health inspections shall occur on a randomized basis, pursuant to the following frequency, based on the mobile food vendor's classification:

1. A Mobile Food Type I Vendor shall be inspected only upon the Department or a local authority being notified of a public health or safety complaint regarding the vendor. If the inspection reveals a violation of law or rule, the vendor shall become subject to inspections at the frequency set for a Mobile Food Type II Vendor until the vendor obtains a certificate of excellence;

- 2. Mobile Food Type II Vendors shall be inspected once per calendar year. If a Mobile Food Type II Vendor receives a certificate of excellence, it shall become subject to inspections at the frequency set for Mobile Food Type I Vendors. If a Mobile Food Type II Vendor holding a certificate of excellence receives a score lower than an "A" on a subsequent inspection, the vendor shall lose its certificate of excellence and return to being inspected once per year; and
- 3. Mobile Food Type III Vendors shall be inspected twice per calendar year. If a Mobile Food Type III Vendor receives a certificate of excellence, it shall be inspected at the frequency set for Mobile Food Type II Vendors. If a Mobile Food Type III Vendor holding a certificate of excellence receives a score lower than an "A" on a subsequent inspection, the vendor shall lose its certificate of excellence and return to being inspected twice per calendar year.
- J. The Department, or local authority acting under a collaborative agreement, shall notify a mobile food vendor by phone

or by First-Class Mail, with a return receipt requested, of its intent to inspect the food vending vehicle within thirty (30) days following the delivery of the notice. The mobile food vendor may request the Department or local authority obtain an administrative warrant prior to conducting an inspection. Upon receipt of notice of an inspection, the mobile food vendor shall provide the locations where the vendor can be located for an inspection if requested by the Department or local authority.

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Κ. The Department shall calculate the average cost of providing notice of and conducting a health inspection. If the Department has entered into a collaborative agreement with a local authority, the Department shall consult with the local authority and determine the average cost of providing notice of and conducting health inspections in that jurisdiction. The Department shall charge the mobile food vendor an inspection fee at the time the mobile vendor applies for or renews a license, based on the average cost of providing notice of and conducting an inspection, multiplied by the number of annual inspections required for the upcoming year as required by this section. A mobile food vendor may request reimbursement for an inspection that was not conducted at the expiration of its mobile vending license or when the vendor renews a license. The Department shall reimburse the vendor for any inspection that was not conducted in the previous year within thirty

1 (30) calendar days following receipt of a mobile food vendor's
2 request.
3 SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1156 of Title 63, unless there

is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

- A. The local authority may regulate state-licensed mobile food vendors in accordance with this act. In relation to a state-licensed mobile food vendor's operations, a local authority may:
- 1. Impose operating hours only if they are the same as the operating hours imposed on commercial businesses;
- Restrict the operation of noisemaking devices during certain hours of day;
- 3. Restrict a mobile food vendor from operating in a public park or require a special permit and payment of fees to operate in a public park;
- 4. Prohibit a mobile food vendor that is operating on private property from blocking ingress or egress from that property;
- 5. Develop a mobile food vendor metered parking pass for a fee that permits a mobile food vendor to operate from metered parking spaces for longer than the vendor would otherwise be permitted;
  - 6. Investigate reports of foodborne illnesses;
- 7. Report a mobile food vendor's suspected violation of this act to the State Department of Health and recommend the Department suspend or revoke a mobile food vending license; and

8. Issue citations and penalties to mobile food vendors for violations of local law not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

B. In relation to a state-licensed mobile food vendor's operations, a local authority may not:

- 1. Prohibit or restrict a mobile food vendor from operating in a lawful manner provided for in this act;
- 2. Require a mobile food vendor to receive any kind of special permit from a local authority in addition to the mobile food vending license or permit to operate as a commercial vehicle, unless the mobile food vendor seeks to operate in a public park;
- 3. Restrict the duration of time a mobile food vendor may operate on private property in industrial, commercial or institutional zoning districts;
- 4. Require a mobile food vendor to operate a specific distance from commercial food or retail establishments;
  - 5. Require a mobile food vendor to be fingerprinted;
- 6. Require a mobile food vendor to install a Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking device on its vehicle;
- 7. Require a mobile food vendor to stay in constant motion while serving customers;
- 8. Require a mobile food vendor to maintain an insurance policy that names the local authority as an additional insured unless the vendor is attending an event sponsored by the local authority;

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- 9. Require a mobile food vendor to submit to inspections beyond health inspections conducted under a collaborative agreement with the Department, unless the local authority is investigating a reported foodborne illness;
- 10. Require a mobile food vendor to enter into any agreement with a commercial establishment or restaurant;
- 11. Regulate the equipment requirements for a food vending vehicle; and
- 12. Require a mobile food vendor to associate with a commissary if the vendor has all the equipment necessary to comply with all regulations pertaining to food establishments.
- SECTION 8. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1157 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. The State Department of Health or a local authority may investigate a mobile food vendor upon reasonable suspicion the vendor has violated the law or upon receipt of a health or safety complaint. Any complaint shall be recorded in the state's mobile vending database. The local authority shall report suspected violations of law to the Department and may recommend the Department suspend or revoke a mobile food vending license.
- B. The mobile food vendor shall cooperate with the Department or local authority during an investigation. Failure to cooperate

with the Department or local authority may result in suspension or revocation of a license.

- C. Nothing in this act shall be construed to impede the Department or local authority in any investigation of a reported foodborne illness.
- SECTION 9. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1158 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. A license issued under this act may be denied, suspended or revoked by the State Department of Health for the following reasons:
- 1. Fraud, misrepresentation or a false statement contained in the application for a license;
- 2. Fraud, misrepresentation or a false statement made in connection with the selling of food or beverages;
- 3. Any facts or conditions which would justify the denial of the original application;
- 4. Three (3) or more violations of this act within a period of twelve (12) months; and
- 5. The receipt of an "F" grade during an inspection or an investigation in response to a complaint.
- B. Any person who has been notified regarding the denial of his or her mobile food vending application or the possible suspension or revocation of his or her mobile food vending license may request an administrative hearing in accordance with the Administrative

Procedures Act within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the notice. Other than as described in subsection C of this section, no license shall be suspended or revoked prior to a hearing if a mobile food vendor requests a hearing within the fourteen-day period required. Upon receipt of a request for a hearing, the Department shall hold a hearing within fourteen (14) calendar days and issue findings of fact, conclusions of law and a decision at the conclusion of the hearing.

- C. When circumstances demonstrate that continued operation by a mobile vendor poses an imminent threat to the public's health and safety, the Department may immediately suspend or revoke a mobile food vending license. The mobile food vendor may request a hearing regarding the suspension or revocation within fourteen (14) calendar days of receiving notice of the suspension or revocation. Any hearing regarding the summary suspension or revocation of a license shall be given priority over all potential license denial, suspension or revocation proceedings and shall be held within seven (7) calendar days from the date the Department receives a mobile food vendor's request for a hearing, and the Department shall issue findings of fact, conclusions of law and a decision at the conclusion of the hearing.
- D. It shall be a misdemeanor for a licensee whose license has been suspended or revoked to continue business operations. If the Department suspends or revokes a mobile vending license, the mobile

vendor shall immediately surrender the license to the Department.

The Department may issue civil penalties to a person who operates as a mobile food vendor without a license, with a suspended license or after a license is revoked.

SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1159 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A person aggrieved by an agency decision following a hearing has the right to appeal the decision in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedures Act.

SECTION 11. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1160 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act preempts local authorities from prohibiting mobile food vending and regulating mobile food vending in a way that conflicts with the provisions of this act.

SECTION 12. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-1161 of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall not be construed to require a local authority to enter into a collaborative agreement with the State Department of Health to conduct health inspections, to adopt a program regulating mobile food vendors or to modify its existing program regulating

mobile food vendors; provided, the regulations do not conflict with the provisions of this act.

SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-1118, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-1118. A. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or maintain any establishment, stationary or otherwise, where food or drink is offered for sale, or sold, to the public, unless the person is the holder of a food establishment license issued for such purpose by the State Commissioner of Health or designee. A food establishment license shall not be required for:

- A produce stand that offers only whole, uncut and unprocessed fresh fruits, melons, vegetables and legumes and/or whole uncracked and unprocessed nuts;
- 2. A manufacturer, wholesaler or broker of food licensed pursuant to Section 1-1119 of this title;
- 3. A kitchen in a private home if only food that does not require time and temperature control for safety is prepared for sale or service at a function such as a nonprofit civic, charitable or religious organization's bake sale;
- 4. An area where food that is prepared as specified in paragraph 3 of this subsection is sold or offered for human consumption;
  - 5. A private home that receives catered or home-delivered food;

- 6. A hotel licensed pursuant to Section 1-1201 of this title which provides limited food service in compliance with rules promulgated by the State Commissioner of Health;
- 7. A kitchen in a private home or in a bed and breakfast that prepares and offers food to guests, if the home is owner-occupied, the number of available guest bedrooms does not exceed three, and breakfast is the only meal offered;
- 8. A nonprofit civic, charitable or religious organization using unpaid individuals to prepare or serve food on its behalf, for occasional fund-raising events sponsored and conducted by the organization. For the purposes of this paragraph, an "occasional fund-raising event" shall be defined as an event that occurs four times a year or less;
- 9. Day care centers or family day care centers, and all other child care facilities as defined and licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Child Care Facilities Licensing Act;
- 10. Nursing facilities and specialized facilities, as defined in and licensed pursuant to the provisions of the Nursing Home Care Act, residential care homes as defined by the Residential Care Act, adult day care centers as defined by the Adult Day Care Act, and assisted living centers and continuum of care facilities licensed pursuant to the Continuum of Care and Assisted Living Act; and
- 11. Other establishments exempted from food establishment licensure pursuant to state law; and

12. Mobile food vendors licensed pursuant to Section 3 of this act.

- B. Each license shall expire one (1) year following the date of its issuance. The State Department of Health shall charge and collect for each such license an annual fee to be fixed by the State Commissioner of Health.
- 1. The Commissioner may provide by rule for a fee-exempt license for a food establishment operated by a nonprofit, civic, charitable or religious organization that uses unpaid persons to sell or offer food on a more frequent basis than the occasional fund-raising event. A fee-exempt license shall not expire but shall remain in full force and effect until affirmatively revoked, suspended, annulled or withdrawn by the Department in accordance with applicable law.
- 2. The Commissioner may by rule also provide that licenses for establishments serving events of limited duration or operating on a seasonal basis shall extend only for the term of the event or season, and may by rule adjust the fees for such licenses accordingly.
- 3. The Commissioner shall provide by rule a three-day license for vendors who only sell at farmers markets as defined in 310:257-1-2 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code or at county fairs.

  Licenses for vendors who only sell at farmers markets or county fairs shall not exceed Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Vendors who do not

sell food and vendors who meet the exceptions provided in subsection A of this section shall not be required to obtain a three-day license or a food establishment license.

- 4. The Commissioner shall provide by rule a multiseasonal license for snow cone stands that sell hot beverages in addition to snow cones. A snow cone stand that does not sell hot beverages shall be considered a seasonal food establishment.
- C. The State Commissioner of Health shall promulgate reasonable standards and rules for sanitation of establishments required to be licensed, which shall include the following: buildings, vehicles, and appurtenances thereto, including plumbing, ventilation and lighting; construction, cleanliness and bactericidal treatment of equipment and utensils; cleanliness, wholesomeness, storage and refrigeration of food and drink sold or served; cleanliness and hygiene of personnel; toilet facilities; disposal of waste; water supply; and other items deemed necessary to safeguard the health, comfort, and safety of customers.

SECTION 14. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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