

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 896

By: Wilcoxson

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2001, Section 21-101, which relates to the Oklahoma Board of Private Vocational Schools; excluding certain individuals, businesses and organizations from definition of private school; exempting certain individuals, businesses and organizations from compliance with certain statutory provisions; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2001, Section 21-101, is amended to read as follows:

Section 21-101. As used in Sections 21-101 through 21-203 of this title:

1. "Private school" means any privately owned business school, trade school, or other school offering courses in, to residents of, or correspondence courses from Oklahoma in any business, professional, trade, technical, or industrial occupation for consideration or remuneration. An individual, business or organization shall not be considered a private school and shall not be required to comply with Sections 21-101 through 21-115 of this title if training offered by the individual, business or organization is limited to training related to products or services the individual, business or organization manufactures, sells or provides or training that is not part of a multi-course program leading to an associate or higher degree or certification by a professional or trade association. The term private school shall not include barber schools, beauty schools, or other schools which

are regulated or licensed pursuant to the provisions of any school licensing law of this state. Any barber schools, beauty schools, or other schools, of their own volition, may apply and be licensed pursuant to the provisions of Section 21-103 of this title if they meet the criteria for approval established by the Oklahoma Board of Private Vocational Schools. Said licensing shall not preclude such schools from complying with any present or future legislation dealing directly with such schools. In addition, such term shall not be construed to include any form of flight instruction subject to regulations promulgated by the Federal Aviation Administration, or to include parochial, private, or other nonpublic schools offering programs of general education, accredited by the State Board of Education or the State Board of Regents for Higher Education;

2. "Board" means the Oklahoma Board of Private Vocational Schools;

3. The term "in-state branch" means any private school located within this state which offers substantially the same curriculum as is offered at its in-state main school; and

4. The term "out-of-state branch" means any out-of-state private school, located in the same state as its main school, which offers substantially the same curriculum as is offered at its main school.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.