HB 1508 Licensing Requirements

Notice to students pursuing an Angelina College program that prepares them for an occupational license:

Under Texas law, if you apply for or enroll in an Angelina College program that may prepare you for an initial occupational license, and/or if you later decide to change to one of these programs, please be aware that:

- 1. An individual who has been convicted of a crime may be ineligible for an occupational license after completing the related educational program;
- 2. Each licensing authority that issues occupational licenses to students who complete educational programs must establish guidelines, including the reasons a particular crime is considered to relate to a particular license and any other standards that affect the decisions of the licensing authority;
- 3. A licensing authority may issue additional state or local restrictions or guidelines to determine the eligibility of an individual who has been convicted of a crime for an occupational license;
- 4. A person who is enrolled or planning to enroll in an Angelina College program that may prepare him or her for an initial occupational license has the right to request that a licensing authority issue a Criminal History Evaluation Letter regarding the person's eligibility for a license. Please note that fees may apply.

Note: This notice applies only to students who plan to pursue a course of study for which an occupational license may be necessary when they finish a program. It should not be considered applicable generally to students who are not pursuing study in a program for which an occupational license is required.

This information is being provided to all students enrolled in or planning to enroll in an Angelina College program that prepares them for an occupational license regardless of whether the person has been convicted of a criminal offense. We encourage all applicants and enrolled students to review the eligibility requirements for their program and the related occupational license.

Note: The criminal history evaluation letter is separate and distinct from any criminal background check requirement that may be required for enrollment in a particular Angelina College course.

The information provided here is not exhaustive. Questions about a particular licensing authority's guideline, eligibility requirements or requests for a Criminal History Evaluation Letter should be directed to the applicable licensing authority.