

ENGROSSED SENATE
BILL NO. 611

By: Price and Williams (Don) of
the Senate

and

Pope (Clay) of the House

[private prison contractors - codification - emergency]

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 563.4 of Title 57, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The Department of Corrections is authorized to contract with a qualified private prison contractor to design, construct and operate a medium or maximum security level facility in any county in Oklahoma. The capacity of the facility shall be not less than five hundred beds nor more than one thousand beds to be specified by the Department. The private prison contractor shall design, construct and operate the facility and shall be authorized to incarcerate state inmates pursuant to a contract authorized and approved pursuant to the provisions of law. Such facility shall be completed and operational by November 1, 1996.

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.

Passed the Senate the 13th day of March, 1995.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of
_____, 1995.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives