

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2579

By: Boyd (Betty) and Davis
of the House

and

Robinson of the Senate

An Act relating to public health; amending 63 O.S.
1991, Section 2657, as amended by Section 2,
Chapter 356, O.S.L. 1992 (63 O.S. Supp. 1997,
Section 2657), which relates to ambulatory surgical
centers; modifying definition and adding
definition; defining surgical procedures; and
providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 1991, Section 2657, as
amended by Section 2, Chapter 356, O.S.L. 1992 (63 O.S. Supp. 1997,
Section 2657), is amended to read as follows:

As used in this act, unless the context clearly indicates
otherwise:

1. "Ambulatory surgical center" means an establishment with an
organized medical staff of physicians, with permanent facilities
that are equipped and operated primarily for the purpose of
performing surgical procedures, with continuous physician services
available on call, and registered professional nursing services
available on site, whenever a patient is in the facility, which
provides services or other accommodations for patients to recover

for a period not to exceed twenty-three (23) hours after surgery
including but not limited to an endoscopy facility;

2. "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Health;

3. "Governmental unit" means any city, county or other political subdivision of this state, or any department, division, board or other agency of any political subdivision of this state;
and

4. "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company or association and the legal successor thereof; and

5. "Surgical procedure" means any invasive procedure to the body, to remove, preserve, or diagnose with minimal risk diseased or injured organs and tissue.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1998.

Passed the House of Representatives the 9th day of March, 1998.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1998.

President of the Senate