

ENGROSSED SENATE  
BILL NO. 1537

By: Weedn of the Senate

and

Lindley of the House

[ crimes and punishments - prohibition of tattooing -  
emergency ]

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 21 O.S. 1991, Section 841, is amended to read as follows:

Section 841. It shall be unlawful for any person to tattoo or offer to tattoo any person. As used herein to "tattoo" means to insert pigment under the surface of the skin of a human being, by pricking with a needle or otherwise, so as to produce a permanent indelible mark or figure visible on the skin. ~~Provided, however,~~ ~~that the~~ The provisions ~~hereof~~ of this section shall not apply, however, to any act of a licensed practitioner of the healing arts performed in the course of ~~his~~ practice or to any person performing intradermal pigmentation in the course of practice under the direct supervision of a licensed practitioner of the healing arts.

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 6th day of March, 2000.

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President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
2000.

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Speaker of the House of  
Representatives