

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 442

By: Stipe and Rozell of the
Senate

and

Tyler of the House

An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S. 1991, Section 85.42, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 1992 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 85.42), which relates to one year limitation on entering into contracts with certain persons; authorizing the Department of Transportation, Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Department of Environmental Quality, and the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority to enter into contracts with certain persons under certain conditions; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 1991, Section 85.42, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 1992 (74 O.S. Supp. 1998, Section 85.42), is amended to read as follows:

Section 85.42 A. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, any agency, whether or not such agency is subject to the Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act, Section 85.1 et seq. of this title, is prohibited from entering into a sole source contract or a contract for professional services with or for the services of any person, who has terminated ~~his~~ employment with or who has been terminated by that agency for one (1) year after the termination date of the employee from the agency. The provisions of this subsection shall not prohibit an agency from hiring or rehiring such person as a state employee.

B. Each contract entered into by any person or firm with the State of Oklahoma shall include an affidavit certifying that no person who has been involved in any manner in the development of that contract while employed by the State of Oklahoma shall be employed to fulfill any of the services provided for under said contract. This subsection shall not preclude faculty and staff of the institutions within The State System of Higher Education from negotiating and participating in research grants and educational contracts. Nor shall this subsection apply to personnel of the Capital Resources Division of the Oklahoma Department of Commerce who contract to provide services to the Oklahoma Capital Investment Board.

C. As used in this section, person is defined as any state official or employee of a department, board, bureau, commission, agency, trusteeship, authority, council, committee, trust, school district, fair board, court, executive office, advisory group, task force, study group, supported in whole or in part by public funds or entrusted with the expenditure of public funds or administering or operating public property, and all committees, or subcommittees thereof, judges, justices, and state legislators.

D. An agency may enter into a sole source contract or a contract for professional services at any time with a person who is a qualified interpreter for the deaf.

E. The Department of Transportation, Oklahoma Water Resources Board, Department of Environmental Quality, and the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority may enter into a contract for professional services at any time with a person who has retired from state service.

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 25th day of May, 1999.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 25th day of May, 1999.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

