

ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT  
TO  
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 658

By: Littlefield of the Senate

and

Roberts of the House

( cities and towns - municipal authority to protect

public health -

emergency )

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the stricken title, enacting clause and  
entire bill and insert

"An Act relating to cities and towns; amending 11  
O.S. 1991, Section 22-120, which relates to  
municipal authority to protect public health;  
providing for notice to certain municipalities;  
authorizing municipalities to restrict occupancy and  
use of buildings to protect public health and safety  
in certain areas; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 11 O.S. 1991, Section 22-120, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 22-120. A. The municipal governing body may enact and  
enforce such ordinances, ~~rules and regulations~~ as it deems necessary  
for the protection of the public health, not inconsistent with state  
law; and may establish and regulate hospitals, and provide for their  
operation and support. The governing body may ~~make regulations~~  
enact ordinances to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases

into the municipality and may enforce quarantine laws within five (5) miles of the municipal limits.

B. If the Department of Environmental Quality notifies a municipality in writing that certain vacant property presents an extraordinary environmental hazard to public health and safety, the municipal governing body is authorized to enact special ordinances restricting occupancy and use of the vacant buildings, vacant structures or land as necessary to protect against the extraordinary environmental hazard. This includes, but is not limited to, the authority to restrict occupancy or use by classes of persons who may be especially vulnerable to the environmental hazard. The municipal governing body is further authorized to restrict occupancy or use, by children or other especially vulnerable classes of persons, of properties in areas or at locations with contamination by lead or other hazardous substances to such a degree that normal health and development of members of the class are at significant risk.

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 resolution shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval."

Passed the House of Representatives the 11th day of April, 2001.

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Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2001.

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