

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 961

By: Stipe of the Senate

and

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An Act relating to prisons and reformatories;
amending 57 O.S. 2001, Section 623, which relates to
Department of Corrections medical treatment programs;
authorizing certain registered nurses and licensed
practical nurses to administer nonprescription drugs;
providing an effective date; and declaring an
emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 57 O.S. 2001, Section 623, is
amended to read as follows:

Section 623. The Department of Corrections is authorized to
operate on-site primary medical treatment programs using employed or
contracted providers at facilities operated by the Department. Any
registered nurse or licensed practical nurse, as defined in Section
567.3a of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, who is employed under
such medical treatment programs may administer nonprescription
drugs, as defined in Section 353.1 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma
Statutes, to inmates without specific physician authorization.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2002.

SECTION 3. 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 28th day of February, 2002.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 8th day of April, 2002.

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives