

An Act relating to public health and safety and mental health; amending 63 O.S. 1991, Sections 1-880.2, 1-880.3, 1-880.4, 1-880.5 and 1-880.6, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 82, O.S.L. 1994 (63 O.S. Supp. 2000, Section 1-880.6), which relate to the Psychiatric and Chemical Dependency Facility Certificate of Need Act; clarifying obsolete language; providing for exception to certain prohibition for a faith-based chemical dependency treatment program; defining term; clarifying language; expanding exceptions and exemptions for requirements for a certificate of need; requiring promulgation of rules for registration of the exemption of faith-based chemical dependency treatment programs; prohibiting certain acts by exempted programs; requiring inclusion of certain statement; requiring signed declaration; stating conditions for revocation of exemption; prohibiting denial of certain benefits and competition against certified programs for certain funding; construing effect of section of law; requiring the Department of Human Services to provide certain food stamp allotment to a chemical dependency treatment program under certain conditions; amending 43A O.S. 1991, Section 3-415, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 209, O.S.L. 1992, and Section 3, Chapter 213, O.S.L. 1994 (43A O.S. Supp. 2000, Sections 3-415 and 3-417), which relate to certified alcohol and drug abuse prevention, training, treatment and rehabilitation facilities; exempting faith-based chemical dependency treatment programs from rules and standards for certification and licensing requirements; clarifying language; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.