

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 1668

By: Cooksey and Braddock of the
House

and

Lerblance of the Senate

An Act relating to public buildings and public works; amending 61 O.S. 2001, Section 207.2, as amended by Section 30, Chapter 294, O.S.L. 2002 (61 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 207.2), which relates to the Public Building Construction and Planning Act; adding an exemption to the act; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 61 O.S. 2001, Section 207.2, as amended by Section 30, Chapter 294, O.S.L. 2002 (61 O.S. Supp. 2004, Section 207.2), is amended to read as follows:

Section 207.2 A. Except as provided by subsection B of this section, no state agency shall employ, either temporary or full-time, any person engaged in the practice of architecture, engineering or land surveying for the purpose of planning or performing any construction upon any real property belonging to the agency or to the state, or upon any real property of which this state will assume possession or ownership by contract, option to purchase agreement, lease, or otherwise. The term "practice of architecture" shall be defined as those activities of an architect as provided for in Section 46.3 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The terms "practice of engineering" or the "practice of land surveying" shall be defined as such terms are defined by Section 475.2 of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not apply to:

1. The Department of Human Services;
2. The Oklahoma Tourism and Recreation Department;
3. The Department of Health insofar as the monitoring of permitted health care facility construction for licensing purposes;
4. The Oklahoma Historical Society insofar as the monitoring of historical site preservation and authenticity;
5. The Department of Central Services;

6. The State Department of Education and the public schools subject to its jurisdiction;

7. The Department of Transportation;

8. The Oklahoma State System of Higher Education; ~~and~~

9. The Military Department of the State of Oklahoma; and

10. The Oklahoma Municipal Power Authority.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2005.

Passed the House of Representatives the 7th day of March, 2005.

Presiding Officer of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 14th day of April, 2005.

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