

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 661

By: Paddack of the Senate

3 and

4 Cox of the House

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6 [public health - grant programs - process -
7 codification -

8 effective date]

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

11 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6900 of Title 63, unless there
13 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. The Commissioner of Health shall develop grant programs for
15 private, nonprofit and public entities for the purpose of
16 administering the National Hospital Preparedness Program (HPP). For
17 purposes of this section, the "National Hospital Preparedness
18 Program" or "HPP" means the federal preparedness grant offered
19 through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services designed to
20 improve surge capacity and enhance community and hospital
21 preparedness for public health emergencies.

22 B. The selection and awarding of grants, whether in the form of
23 professional service contracts or any other funding mechanism
24 developed by the Commissioner, to programs developed pursuant to

1 this section shall be exempt from the requirements of the Oklahoma
2 Central Purchasing Act.

3 C. The Commissioner shall develop a process for awarding grants
4 to programs developed pursuant to this section. Such process for
5 selection shall not be required for contracts awarded for program
6 support services, including, but not limited to, professional
7 service contracts to evaluate, audit or provide budgeting,
8 accounting, auditing or legal services for specific programs or
9 program grantees, contractors or participants.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

11 Passed the Senate the 2nd day of March, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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15 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,

16 2009.

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