

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend SB1441 _____
Of the printed Bill

Page _____ Section _____ Lines _____
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Cynthia Roe _____

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

1 PROPOSED
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
2 FOR ENGROSSED
SENATE BILL NO. 1441

By: Rosino of the Senate

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4 and

Roe of the House
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7 PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

8 An Act relating to emergency medical services;
amending 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-2515, which relates
9 to ambulance service transports; broadening exemption
from certain regulation; updating statutory language;
10 and providing an effective date.
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2021, Section 1-2515, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 1-2515. A. Notwithstanding any other provision of this
17 title, ~~Emergency Medical Services~~ emergency medical services (EMS)
18 ~~Regions~~ regions, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service districts or
19 municipalities are hereby authorized to regulate and control,
20 pursuant to duly enacted ordinance or regulation, ~~Ambulance Service~~
21 ambulance service transports originating within the jurisdiction of
22 such EMS ~~Regions~~ regions, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service
23 districts or municipalities.
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1 B. Any ordinance or regulation adopted pursuant to subsection A
2 of this section shall meet and may exceed, but shall not be in
3 contravention of, the standards promulgated by the State Board of
4 Health for ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service transports.

5 C. 1. Any ordinance or regulation adopted by an EMS ~~Region~~
6 region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service district or a
7 municipality may establish a sole-provider system for stretcher van
8 and/or ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service transports; provided,
9 however, any such designated or contracted sole-provider which is
10 not an EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service
11 district, municipality, or other public entity shall be selected by
12 competitive bidding.

13 2. A contract entered into pursuant to such bidding shall be
14 with the lowest and best bidder and may be for an initial term of
15 such duration as deemed operationally and fiscally prudent by the
16 contracting agency. The term of such sole-provider contract shall
17 be made public at the time bids are solicited, which solicitation
18 shall be not less than sixty (60) days prior to the contract start
19 date.

20 D. Any EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service
21 district or municipality may establish a sole-provider system for
22 stretcher van and/or ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service transports
23 and may allow additional geographic or political subdivisions to
24 join such a system at any time. Whenever such a geographic or

1 political subdivision joins such a sole-provider system, competitive
2 bidding shall not be required and provision for servicing the new
3 jurisdiction may be accomplished by amending the existing sole-
4 provider contract. Furthermore, in the event the expansion of the
5 service area of the EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance
6 service district or the municipality is substantial (in the sole
7 opinion of the governing body of the EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance~~
8 ~~Service~~ ambulance service district or municipality), the existing
9 sole-provider contract may be extended for a period sufficient to
10 allow reasonable opportunity for recovery of capital costs of
11 expansion, as determined by the contracting agency.

12 E. The provisions of this section shall not be construed or
13 applied to limit the operation of any emergency medical service
14 district established and operating pursuant to Section 9C of Article
15 ~~10~~ X of the Oklahoma Constitution; provided, however, that, upon
16 invitation and approval of a majority of the voters of the district,
17 any such district is hereby authorized to join by appropriate
18 agreement any system established by an EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance~~
19 ~~Service~~ ambulance service district or a municipality pursuant to the
20 provisions of this section.

21 F. The following types of patient transports shall be exempt
22 from regulation by EMS ~~Regions~~ regions, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance
23 service districts or municipalities:

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1 1. Any ambulance owned or operated by, or under contract to
2 perform ambulance transport services for, the ~~Federal~~ federal or
3 ~~State~~ state government, or any agency thereof;

4 2. Any ambulance owned and operated by a hospital, or under
5 contract or agreement with a hospital located in a county with a
6 population in excess of five hundred thousand (500,000) people, and
7 in use to transport a patient of the owner-hospital, which patient
8 has been admitted to and not been discharged from the owner-
9 hospital, to or from another hospital or medical care facility at
10 which the patient receives a diagnostic or therapeutic procedure not
11 available at the owner-hospital;

12 3. Any ambulance engaged in a routine transport call to
13 transport a patient from a hospital, nursing home, or dialysis
14 center located within an EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance Service~~
15 ambulance service district or municipality to any location outside
16 the EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service district
17 or municipality;

18 4. Any ambulance engaged in the transport of a patient from a
19 location outside an EMS ~~Region~~ region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance
20 service district or municipality to a location inside an EMS ~~Region~~
21 region, ~~Ambulance Service~~ ambulance service district or
22 municipality; ~~or~~

23 5. Any ambulance engaged in the interstate transport of a
24 patient; or

1 6. Any ambulance operating under a contract or agreement with a
2 hospital in a county with a population in excess of five hundred
3 thousand (500,000) people and in use to transport a patient between
4 the hospital and a hospital helipad, or in use to transport a
5 patient of the hospital, immediately after discharge, to a step-down
6 facility, nursing home, or private residence.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

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