

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

SENATE BILL 464

By: Hamilton

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to property; amending 60 O.S. 2021, Sections 121 and 122, which relate to alien ownership of land; prohibiting certain ownership of land through business entity or trust; modifying exception to certain ownership requirements; creating a felony offense for certain violations; decreasing time period for sale of certain land; making language gender neutral; updating statutory reference; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 60 O.S. 2021, Section 121, is amended to read as follows:

Section 121. No ~~alien or any person who is not a~~ foreign citizen ~~of the United States~~ shall acquire title to or own land in ~~the State of Oklahoma~~ this state either directly or indirectly through a business entity or trust, except as hereinafter provided, but he or she shall have and enjoy in ~~the State of Oklahoma~~ this state such rights as to personal property as are, or shall be accorded a citizen of the United States under the laws of the nation to which such ~~alien~~ foreign citizen belongs, or by the treaties of

1 such nation with the United States, except as the same may be  
2 affected by the provisions of ~~this act~~ Section 121 et seq. of this  
3 title or the Constitution of this state. Any person who knowingly  
4 acquires title to land in violation of this section shall upon  
5 conviction be guilty of a felony.

6 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 60 O.S. 2021, Section 122, is  
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Section 122. This article shall not apply to lands now owned in  
9 this state by ~~aliens~~ foreign citizens so long as they are held by  
10 the present owners, nor to any ~~alien~~ foreign citizen who is or shall  
11 take up bona fide residence in this state: ~~and~~; provided, that any  
12 ~~alien~~ foreign citizen who is or shall become a bona fide resident of  
13 the State of Oklahoma shall have the right to acquire and hold lands  
14 in this state upon the same terms as citizens of the State of  
15 Oklahoma during the continuance of such bona fide residence of such  
16 ~~alien~~ foreign citizen in this state: Provided, that if any such  
17 ~~resident alien~~ foreign citizen shall cease to be a bona fide  
18 inhabitant of this state, such ~~alien~~ foreign citizen shall have ~~five~~  
19 ~~(5) years~~ one (1) year from the time he or she ceased to be such  
20 bona fide resident in which to alienate such lands.

21 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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