1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025) COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE 3 HOUSE BILL NO. 1084 4 By: Tedford 5 6 7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE An Act relating to insurance; providing definitions; 8 prohibiting certain assignment of benefits; declaring 9 certain assignments null and void; providing exceptions; clarifying procedures and penalties for 10 violation; clarifying unprohibited activity; providing for codification; and providing an effective date. 11 12 1.3 14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified 16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1230 of Title 36, unless there 17 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows: 18 For purposes of this act: 19 "Assignment agreement" means any instrument by which post-20 loss benefits under an auto, or residential or commercial property 21 insurance, including, but not limited to, any right of action 22 against the insurer or any proceeds acquired from the insurer, are 23 assigned, transferred, or acquired in any other manner, in whole or

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in part, to or from a person providing services, including, but not

limited to, communicating with an insurer on an insured's behalf or inspecting, estimating, protecting, repairing, restoring, or replacing the property or mitigating against further damage to the property; and

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- a. a natural person,
- b. any type or form of corporation, company, partnership, proprietorship, association, or other legal entity, and
- c. a government, governmental subdivision or agency, or other governmental body.
- B. 1. A person shall not solicit or accept an assignment, in whole or in part, of any post-loss insurance benefit for property damage under an auto collision or comprehensive policy, residential property insurance policy, or commercial property insurance policy. An assignment agreement is against public policy and is null and void, and any contract entered in violation of this section shall be void and unenforceable.
- 2. The provisions of paragraph 1 of this subsection do not apply to any of the following:
 - a. an assignment, transfer, pledge, or conveyance granted to a federally insured financial institution, mortgagee, or a subsequent purchaser of the property, or

1 b. liability coverage under an auto, residential, or 2 commercial property insurance policy. C. Violation of subsection B of this section is considered an 3 4 unfair or deceptive trade practice. Any person found to have 5 violated the provisions of subsection B of this section shall be 6 subject to the procedures and penalties as other unfair or deceptive 7 trade practices outlined in Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes. D. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to prohibit an 8 9 attorney from collecting an attorney fee for an action related to a 10 property insurance claim. 11 E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit an 12 insured from authorizing or directing payment to, or paying, a 13 person for services, materials, or any other thing which may be, or 14 is, covered under an insurance policy. 15 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025. 16 17 60-1-13016 02/27/25 AO 18 19 20 2.1 22 23

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