

ENGROSSED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2279

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(George) of the HOUSE

and

STIPE of the SENATE

(LIENS - AMENDING 42 O.S. 1991, SECTIONS 91 AND

101 - POSSESSORY LIENS -

EFFECTIVE DATE)

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 42 O.S. 1991, Section 91, is amended to read as follows:

Section 91. ~~(a) Every~~ A. 1. Any person who, while lawfully in possession of an article of personal property, renders any service to the owner thereof by furnishing material, labor or skill for the protection, improvement, safekeeping, towing, storage or carriage thereof, has a special lien thereon, dependent on possession, for the compensation, if any, which is due to him from the owner for such service~~;~~;

~~(A) 2.~~ 2. Said lien may be foreclosed by a sale of such personal property upon the notice and in the manner following: The notice shall contain:

~~(1) The~~ a. the names of the owner and any other party or parties who may claim any interest in said property~~;~~;

~~(2) A~~ b. a description of the property to be sold~~;~~;

~~(3) The c.~~ the nature of the work, labor or service performed, material furnished, and the date thereof.

~~(4) The d.~~ the time and place of sale, and

~~(5) The e.~~ the name of the party, agent or attorney foreclosing such lien.

~~(B) 3.~~ Such notice shall be posted in three (3) public places in the county where the property is to be sold at least ten (10) days before the time therein specified for such sale, and a copy of said notice shall be mailed to the owner and any other party ~~or parties~~ claiming any interest in said property if known, at their last known post office address, by registered mail on the day of posting. ~~Party or parties~~ Any party who ~~elaim~~ claims any interest in said property shall include owners of chattel mortgages and conditional sales contracts as shown by the records in the office of the county clerk in the county where the lien is foreclosed.

~~(C) 4.~~ The lienor or any other person may in good faith become a purchaser of the property sold; and

~~(D) 5.~~ Proceedings for foreclosure under this act shall not be commenced until thirty (30) days after said lien has accrued.

~~(b) B. 1.~~ a. Any person who is induced by means of a check or other form of written order for immediate payment of money to deliver up possession of an article of personal property on which he has a special lien created by subsection ~~(a) A~~ of this section, which check or other written order is dishonored, or is not paid when presented, shall have a lien for the amount thereof upon said personal property ~~if~~.

b. The person claiming such lien shall, within thirty (30) days from the date of dishonor of said check or

other written order for payment of money, ~~he files~~
file in the office of the county clerk of the county
in which the property is situated a sworn statement
that:

(1) the check or other written order for immediate
payment of money, copy thereof being attached,
was received for labor, material or supplies for
producing or repairing an article of personal
property, ~~that it~~

(2) the check or other written order was not paid,
and ~~that~~

(3) the uttering ~~thereof~~ of the check or other
written order constituted the means for inducing
him, one possessed of a special lien created by
subsection ~~(a)~~ A of this section upon the
described article of personal property, to
deliver up the said article of personal property.

2. a. Any person who renders service to the owner of an
article of personal property by furnishing material,
labor, or skill for the protection, improvement,
safekeeping, towing, storage, or carriage to such
property shall have a special lien on such property
pursuant to this section if such property is removed
from his possession, without his written consent or
without payment for such service.

b. The person claiming such lien shall, within five (5)
days of such nonauthorized removal, file in the office
of the county clerk of the county in which the
property is located, a sworn statement that:

(1) services were rendered to the owner of the
property by furnishing material, labor, or skill
to such property,

- (2) the property was in his possession but was removed without his written consent, and
- (3) the debt for labor, material or supplies for producing or repairing the article of personal property was not paid.

3. The enforcement of said lien shall be within sixty (60) days after filing said lien in the manner provided by law for enforcing the lien of a security agreement and provided that the lien shall not affect the rights of innocent, intervening purchasers without notice.

4. For purposes of this subsection:

- a. "Possession" includes actual possession and constructive possession; and
- b. "Constructive possession" means possession by a person who, although not in actual possession, does not have an intention to abandon property, knowingly has both power and the intention at a given time to exercise dominion or control over the property, and who holds claim to such thing by virtue of some legal right.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 42 O.S. 1991, Section 101, is amended to read as follows:

Section 101. Any person selling ~~or~~, disposing of or removing property covered by such lien, without the written consent of the owner of such lien, upon conviction thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six (6) months or by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective September 1, 1992.

Passed the House of Representatives the 3rd day of March, 1992.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 1992.

President of the Senate