

By: Henry of the Senate
and
Toure of the House

An Act relating to civil procedure; amending 12 O.S. 1991, Sections 134 and 137, which relate to venue of actions against domestic and foreign corporations and nonresidents; clarifying language; updating statutory reference; authorizing actions against certain corporations to be brought in county where corporation is doing business; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 12 O.S. 1991, Section 134, is amended to read as follows:

Section 134. An action, other than ~~one of these~~ an action mentioned in ~~first three sections~~ Section 131, 132 or 133 of this ~~article~~ title, against a corporation created by the laws of this state, may be brought in the county in which ~~it~~:

1. It is situated, or has its principal office or ~~place of~~ is doing business, ~~or in which any;~~

2. Any of the principal officers ~~thereof may~~ reside, or may be summoned, ~~or in the county where the;~~

3. The cause of action or some part thereof arose, ~~or in any county where a~~

4. A codefendant of ~~such~~ the corporation created by the laws of this state may properly be sued.

SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 12 O.S. 1991, Section 137, is amended to read as follows:

Section 137. A. In addition to the other counties in which an action may be brought against a nonresident of this state, or a

foreign corporation, ~~such~~ an action may be brought in any county in which ~~there~~:

1. There may be property of or debts owing to ~~such~~ the defendant, ~~or where such~~;

2. The defendant may be found, ~~;~~;

3. The defendant is doing business; or ~~in any county where a~~

4. A codefendant may properly be sued, ~~if such~~.

B. If the defendant ~~be~~ is a foreign insurance company the action may be brought in any county ~~where such~~ in which:

1. The cause of action, or any part thereof, arose, ~~or where~~ the;

2. The plaintiff resides; or ~~where such~~

3. The company has an agent.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

Passed the Senate the 8th day of March, 2000.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives