

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 898

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to citizenship; establishing criteria  
8 for determining Oklahoma citizenship; defining  
9 phrases; providing for codification; and providing an  
10 effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1321 of Title 25, unless there  
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. A person is a citizen of the State of Oklahoma if:

16 1. The person is born in the United States and subject to the  
17 jurisdiction thereof; and

18 2. The person is a resident of the State of Oklahoma.

19 B. For the purposes of this section, "subject to the  
20 jurisdiction of the United States" has the meaning that it bears in  
21 Section 1 of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States  
22 Constitution, namely that the person is a child of at least one  
23 parent who owes no allegiance to any foreign sovereignty, or a child  
24 without citizenship or nationality in any foreign country. For the

1 purposes of this section, a person who owes no allegiance to any  
2 foreign sovereignty is:

- 3 1. A United States citizen or national;
- 4 2. An immigrant accorded the privilege of residing permanently  
5 in the United States; or
- 6 3. A person without citizenship or nationality in any foreign  
7 country.

8 C. In addition to the criteria of citizenship described under  
9 subsections A and B of this section, a person is a citizen of the  
10 State of Oklahoma if:

- 11 1. The person is naturalized in the United States; and
- 12 2. The person is a resident of the State of Oklahoma.

13 D. Citizenship of the State of Oklahoma shall not confer upon  
14 the holder thereof any right, privilege, immunity, or benefit under  
15 law.

16 E. As used in this section, "resident of the State of Oklahoma"  
17 means any person who occupies a dwelling within this state and has  
18 the intent to remain within the state for a prolonged period of  
19 time.

20 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2011.

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