| 1  | ENGROSSED SENATE  |
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| 2  | BILL NO. 29  By: Bergstrom of the Senate  |
|    | and   |
| 3  | Hardin (David) of the House   |
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| 6  | An Act relating to forcible entry and detainer; amending 12 O.S. 2011, Sections 1148.10 and 1148.10A, |
| 7  | which relate to writs of execution; modifying certain   |
| 8  | form; specifying restoration of physical possession to plaintiff under certain circumstances; making  |
| 9  | language gender neutral; and providing an effective date.   |
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| 11 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:   |
| 12 | SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 12 O.S. 2011, Section 1148.10, is   |
| 13 | amended to read as follows:   |
| 14 | Section 1148.10. If judgment be for plaintiff, the court shall,                                       |
| 15 | at the request of the plaintiff, his or her agent or attorney, issue                                  |
| 16 | a writ of execution thereon, which shall be in substantially the                                      |
| 17 | following form:   |
| 18 | The State of Oklahoma, County.  |
| 19 | The State of Oklahoma to the Sheriff of County:   |
| 20 | Whereas, in a certain action for the forcible entry and   |
| 21 | detention (or for the forcible detention as the case may be) of the                                   |
| 22 | following described premises, to wit: lately tried  |
| 23 | before me, wherein was plaintiff, and was   |
| 24 | defendant, judgment was rendered on the day of, 1920_,  |

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    that the plaintiff have restitution of said premises; and also that
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    he recover rent, attorney fees and costs in the sum of ; you,
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    therefore, are hereby commanded to cause the defendant to be
    forthwith removed from said premises and the said plaintiff to have
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    restitution or physical possession or both of the same; also that
    you levy on the goods and chattels of the said defendant, and make
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    the costs aforesaid, and all accruing costs, and of this writ, make
    legal service and due return.
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        Witness my hand this _____ day of _____, \frac{19}{20}.
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        A motion for a new trial may be filed only within three (3) days
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    of judgment but shall not operate to stay execution.
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                                      12 O.S. 2011, Section 1148.10A, is
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    amended to read as follows:
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        Section 1148.10A. A. The plaintiff or agent of the plaintiff
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    or officer shall immediately notify the defendant in person or by
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    posting of said notice that the plaintiff or agent of the plaintiff
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    or officer shall return in forty-eight (48) hours to restore the
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    plaintiff possession of the premises by executing the writ
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    prescribed in Section 1148.10 of this title and shall make levy to
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    collect the amount of the judgment and all accruing costs.
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- B. The original writ of execution issued as provided by Section 1148.10 of this title shall be filed in the action in the manner provided for judgments in civil cases.
- C. The plaintiff or agent of the plaintiff may execute the writ upon the defendant by personally serving a certified copy of the writ upon the defendant or upon a person authorized to receive service of process as provided by Section 2004 of this title. If the plaintiff or agent of the plaintiff is unable to personally serve the defendant or a person authorized to receive service of process as provided by Section 2004 of this title, the plaintiff or agent of the plaintiff may post a notice in a conspicuous place at the premises address that the plaintiff or agent of the plaintiff shall return at a specified date and time, which shall be not less than forty-eight (48) hours from the time of posting, to restore the plaintiff to physical possession of the premises by executing the writ prescribed in Section 1148.10 of this title.
- D. Any person who wrongfully refuses to surrender <u>physical</u> possession of the premises described in the writ of execution upon service of the writ by the plaintiff or the agent of the plaintiff shall, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a trespass and may be punished by a fine in an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by confinement in the county jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

- E. The plaintiff or the agent of the plaintiff may summon either the sheriff of the county or the law enforcement agency of the city or town in which the premises are located for assistance in executing the writ.
- The plaintiff's, the agent of the plaintiff's, or the officer's return shall be as upon other executions. Within two (2) days of the date of the judgment, the defendant may post a supersedeas bond conditioned as provided by law. This time limit may be enlarged by a trial judge's order to not more than seven (7) days after the date of judgment. The posting of a supersedeas bond shall not be construed to relieve the defendant of his or her duty to pay current rent as it becomes due while the appeal is pending. The rent shall be paid into the court clerk's office together with poundage. If there be controversy as to the amount of rent, the judge shall determine by order how much shall be paid in what time intervals. Withdrawal by the plaintiff of rent deposited in the court clerk's office pending appeal shall not operate to estop him or her from urging on appeal his or her right to the possession of the premises. Failure to pay current rentals while the appeal is pending shall be considered as abandonment of the appeal.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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| 1   | Passed the Senate the 9th day of March, 2021.     |
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| 4   | Presiding Officer of the Senate                   |
| 5   | Passed the House of Representatives the day of,   |
| 6   | 2021.   |
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