

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB1024
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Impact:	No impact

Research Analysis

HB 1024 provides that any person who has been convicted of a violent crime or a crime that requires the person to register pursuant to the Sex Offenders Registration Act in this state or another state shall be prohibited from applying for or obtaining a license to serve process. Any person currently licensed that is subject to this prohibition shall not have their license renewed. The measure removes language which required a person making application to be a process server to publish notice of the hearing for a license. Requires notice of application to be sent to the Administrative Office of the Courts. Any person who knowingly and willfully serves process in Oklahoma without a process server license or who holds himself or herself out to be a process server licensed by the State of Oklahoma when the person is not licensed is guilty of a misdemeanor. The measure provides that assault of a process server is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to 1 year in the county jail, a fine of not more than \$1,000 or both fine and imprisonment. Provides that it is a crime to fail to control an animal at the time a legal process is being served.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure modifies the qualifications for process servers. The measure also provides penalties for assaulting process servers, resisting execution of any legal process, and retaliating against process servers by releasing or failing to control an animal at the time legal process is being executed.

Upon review, no direct impact to state revenues or expenditures is anticipated from passage of the measure.

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Other Considerations

None.