

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

SENATE BILL 1582

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to alien ownership of land; amending 60 O.S. 2021, Section 122, which relates to exceptions; defining terms; modifying exception; updating statutory language; making language gender neutral; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 60 O.S. 2021, Section 122, is amended to read as follows:

Section 122. A. For purposes of this section:

1. "Bona fide resident" shall mean a lawful permanent resident of the United States; and

2. "Lawful permanent resident" shall mean a foreign national who has been granted the right to reside permanently in the United States.

B. This article shall not apply to lands now owned in this state by aliens so long as they are held by the present owners, nor to any alien who is ~~or shall take up a bona fide residence~~ resident in this state~~;~~; and any alien who is ~~or shall become~~ a bona fide

1 resident of ~~the State of Oklahoma~~ this state shall have the right to
2 acquire and hold lands in this state upon the same terms as ~~citizens~~
3 United States citizen residents of ~~the State of Oklahoma~~ this state
4 during the continuance of such bona fide residence of such alien in
5 this state~~+~~. Provided, that if any such resident alien shall cease
6 to be a bona fide ~~inhabitant~~ resident of this state, such alien
7 shall have five (5) years from the time he or she ceased to be such
8 bona fide resident in which to alienate such lands.

9 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
10 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
11 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
12 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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