

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1876

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to service of process; amending 36 O.S. 2021, Section 621, which relates to service of process on foreign or alien insurers; modifying persons that may be appointed as agent; modifying revocability of agent appointment; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2021, Section 621, is amended to read as follows:

Section 621. A. Each authorized foreign or alien insurer shall appoint the Insurance Commissioner, a resident of this state, or a person who is authorized to do business in this state as its agent to receive service of legal process, other than a subpoena, issued against it in this state upon any cause of action arising from its transaction of business in this state. ~~The appointment shall be irrevocable, shall bind any successor and shall remain in effect as long as there is in force in this state any contract made by the insurer or obligations arising therefrom.~~

1 B. Service of such process against a foreign or alien insurer
2 shall be made only by service of process upon the ~~Insurance~~
3 ~~Commissioner~~ agent appointed pursuant to subsection A of this
4 section. Service of process against a domestic insurer may be made
5 upon the insurer in the manner provided by laws applying to business
6 entities generally, or upon the insurer's attorney-in-fact if a
7 reciprocal insurer or a ~~Lloyds~~ Lloyd's association.

8 C. Each such insurer at the time of application for a
9 certificate of authority shall file with the Insurance Commissioner
10 designation of the name and address of the person to whom process
11 against it served upon the ~~Insurance Commissioner~~ agent appointed
12 pursuant to subsection A of this section is to be forwarded. The
13 insurer may change such designation by a new filing.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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