

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 60th Legislature (2026)

3 HOUSE BILL 4297

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to insurance; permitting certified  
8 certificate of death as proof for small life  
9 insurance policies; clarifying certificate must be  
accompanied by sworn statement; providing for  
codification; and providing an effective date.

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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 4013.1 of Title 36, unless there  
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 In the case of any life insurance policy with a value of Fifteen  
16 Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) or less, proof of death may be  
17 furnished by submission of a certified certificate of death with a  
18 pending manner or cause, accompanied by a sworn statement by the  
19 funeral director who conducted burial services that the certificate  
20 is authentic and the death has occurred.

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

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