

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 212 clarifies that no alien or any person who is not a citizen of the United States may directly or indirectly, through a business entity or trust, own land in the state unless otherwise authorized by current law. Businesses that have operated lawfully within the United States for a minimum of 20 years shall be exempted from this prohibition. The measure also required any deed recorded with a county clerk to include an affidavit executed by the person or entity coming into title attesting that the person, business entity, or trust is lawfully obtaining the land. Additionally, the measure creates the Citizen Land Ownership Unit within the Office of the Attorney General.

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