



Foreign Ownership of Land

2024 State Legislation

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Legislation is currently pending in 16 states in 2024 regarding foreign ownership of land.

State	Bill Number	Status	Summary
Arizona	2024 HB 2176	Pending	Relates to foreign ownership of agricultural land.
California	2023 AB 475	Pending-Carryover	Prohibits a prohibited foreign actor from purchasing, acquiring, leasing, or holding an interest in any land that is located within a specified number of miles of a United States military base or California National Guard base within the State. Exempts land held by a prohibited foreign actor before specified date from that prohibition.
	2023 SB 224	Pending-Carryover	Prohibits a foreign government from purchasing, acquiring, leasing, or holding an interest, as defined, in agricultural land within the state of California. Exempts land held by foreign governments before Jan. 1, 2024, from that prohibition. Requires the Department of Food and Agriculture to compile an annual report containing the total amount of agricultural land that is under foreign ownership, how that land is currently being put to use, and any legislative, regulatory, or administrative policy recommendations in light of that information.
Colorado	2024 HB 1029	Pending	Prohibits, on or after Jan. 1, 2025, a nonresident foreign citizen, foreign entity, or foreign government of the People's Republic of China, the Russian Federation, or any country determined by the U.S. secretary of state to be a state sponsor of terrorism from acquiring a controlling ownership share in agricultural land, mineral rights, or water rights in the state. No later than March 1, 2025, or 60 days after acquiring any ownership in a property interest in the state, a covered foreign person must register with the Colorado

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			secretary of state. Requires attorney general to commence a civil action for potential violation.
Hawaii	2024 SB 2617	Pending	Prohibits foreign principals from acquiring real property in the state or any interest in real property in the state, except a de minimus indirect interest. Defines foreign principal. Requires a foreign principal that owns real property that was acquired before this measure's effective date to register the ownership with the Attorney General. Requires a buyer of real property to provide a signed affidavit attesting that the buyer is not a foreign principal.
Illinois	2024 HB 4345	Pending	Provides that a foreign principal may not directly or indirectly own, have a controlling interest in, or acquire by purchase, grant, devise, or descent agricultural land or any interest, except a de minimis indirect interest, in such land in the state. Provides that a foreign principal has a de minimis indirect interest if any ownership is the result of the foreign principal's ownership of registered equities in a publicly traded.
	2024 SB 2668	Pending	Amends the Property Owned by Noncitizens Act. Provides that a prohibited foreign-party-controlled business shall not acquire by grant, purchase, devise, descent, or otherwise any interest in public or private land in the state. Provides that a prohibited foreign-party-controlled business entity in violation of the provisions has specified number of years to divest of the public or private land.
Indiana	2024 HB 1177	Pending	Prohibits the state, a state agency, and a political subdivision from entering into a contract with a prohibited person for the provision of goods or services. Amends the amount of a gift received from a foreign source that must be reported by a postsecondary educational institution. Prohibits certain individuals and business entities from purchasing real property located within the state.
	2024 HB 1183	Pending	Relates to foreign ownership of agricultural land. Provides that, beginning specified date, a real estate closing including agricultural land must include an affidavit in which the purchaser affirms that the purchaser is not prohibited from acquiring or leasing agricultural land. Provides that, beginning specified date, a prohibited person may not acquire or lease agricultural land or a mineral right or water or riparian right on agricultural land located in the state.
Michigan	2023 HB 4283	Pending-Carryover	Prohibits certain foreign entities from purchasing farmland.
	2023 HB 4881	Pending-Carryover	

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	2023 HB 5050	Pending-Carryover	
	2023 SB 270	Pending-Carryover	
Missouri	2024 HB 1571	Pending	Changes the laws regarding the foreign ownership of agricultural land.
	2024 HB 2138	Pending	
	2024 HB 2236	Pending	
	2024 SB 786	Pending	
	2024 SB 806	Pending	
	2024 SB 1244	Pending	
	2024 HB 1957	Pending	Changes the laws regarding the foreign ownership of real property.
	2024 SB 865	Pending	
	2024 HB 2318	Pending	Modifies conditions of foreign ownership of real estate.
	2024 SB 893	Pending	
	2024 SB 924	Pending	
	2024 SB 734	Pending	Prohibits an alien or foreign business from acquiring agricultural land located within 50 miles of a military installation or developer/manufacturer of classified military equipment.
	2024 SJR 52	Pending	Proposes to amend article 1 of the state constitution as it relates to foreign ownership of agricultural land.
Nebraska	2024 LB 1301	Pending	Adopt the Foreign-owned Real Estate National Security Act.
New Jersey	2023 AB 5383	Pending-Carryover	Prohibits foreign ownership of agricultural or horticultural land and agricultural woodlands in state.
	2024 AB 191	Pending	Bans foreign ownership of agricultural or horticultural land and agricultural woodlands.
	2024 SB 1861	Pending	
	2024 AB 1276	Pending	Prohibits ownership of agricultural land in state by foreign governments and persons.
	2024 SB 723	Pending	Prohibits ownership of agricultural land in state by foreign governments and persons.
New York	2023 AB 6444	Pending-Carryover	Relates to prohibiting the acquisition or transfer of agricultural land by foreign adversaries. Provides that such prohibition will not apply to any interest in agricultural land held by a foreign adversary prior to such date or any federally recognized Indian tribe or its government units and enterprises.
	2023 SB 6583	Pending-Carryover	
Oklahoma	2024 HB 3077	Pending	Prohibits real property ownership by certain parties. Requires divestment of violating property. Requires Attorney General to bring suit for violation. Provides certain documents to be recorded in the county records office.
	2024 HB 3125	Pending	
South Dakota	2024 HCR 6002	Pending	Provides for an interim study regarding foreign ownership of agricultural land.

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Virginia	2024 SB 295	Pending	Restricts any foreign adversary or foreign business from acquiring any interest in land in the commonwealth and requires registration. Requires the secretary to report annually on the registrations and any penalties assessed for failure to register.
Washington	2023 HB 1412	Pending-Carryover	Addresses foreign ownership of agricultural lands.
Wisconsin	2023 SB 264	Pending-Carryover	Prohibits a foreign adversary from acquiring agricultural or forestry land in this state. Retains the current law restriction on foreign person ownership of agricultural and forestry land and adds a provision that prohibits a foreign adversary from acquiring any land for agricultural or forestry purposes.
	2023 SB 269	Pending-Carryover	
	2023 AB 349	Pending-Carryover	Prohibits certain foreign persons from acquiring more than 50 acres of agricultural or forestry land in the state, changes enforcement authority regarding foreign ownership of agricultural or forestry land from the attorney general to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, and makes other changes to state laws restricting ownership of agricultural or forestry land by foreign persons.
	2023 SB 348	Pending-Carryover	