

**14A.2-140 Certificate of authorization. (Effective January 1, 2011)**

- (1) Anyone may apply to the Secretary of State to furnish a certificate of authorization for a foreign entity.
- (2) A certificate of authorization shall set forth:
  - (a) The foreign entity's real name and, if applicable, its fictitious name as adopted for use in this Commonwealth;
  - (b) That the foreign entity is authorized to transact business in this Commonwealth;
  - (c) That all fees, taxes, and penalties owed to this Commonwealth have been paid, if:
    1. Payment is reflected in the records of the Secretary of State; and
    2. Nonpayment affects the authorization of the foreign entity to transact business in this Commonwealth;
  - (d) That its most recent annual report required by KRS 14A.6-010 or predecessor law has been filed by the Secretary of State;
  - (e) That no certificate of withdrawal or document of similar import under prior law has been filed; and
  - (f) Other facts of record in the office of the Secretary of State that may be requested by the applicant.
- (3) Subject to any qualification stated in the certificate, a certificate of authorization issued by the Secretary of State may be relied upon as conclusive evidence that the foreign entity is authorized to transact business in this Commonwealth.
- (4) This section shall not apply to:
  - (a) A foreign partnership; or
  - (b) A foreign rural telephone cooperative or foreign rural electric cooperative not obligated to qualify to transact business by filing an application for a certificate of authority or document of similar import with the Secretary of State.

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