

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2029

6 By: Cornwell

7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

8 An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S.
9 2011, Section 4-136, as amended by Section 1, Chapter
10 134, O.S.L. 2016 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 4-136),
11 which relates to special use permits; creating
12 certain special use permits on private land for
13 nonprofit events; exempting certain permit holders
14 from certain hunting and fishing licenses;
15 establishing fee; defining term; directing the
16 Department of Wildlife Conservation to promulgate
17 certain rules; and providing an effective date.

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

19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-136, as
20 amended by Section 1, Chapter 134, O.S.L. 2016 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018,
21 Section 4-136), is amended to read as follows:

22 Section 4-136. A. The Wildlife Conservation Commission may
23 establish an annual special use permit which would be required of
24 all persons who hunt or fish or otherwise use private lands leased
and administered by the Department of Wildlife Conservation. The
Department shall not require a special use permit for persons
traveling through such private land in a motor vehicle, unless the

1 person is also involved in hunting or fishing or other use of the
2 private land for which a special permit is required.

3 B. The Commission may establish a three-day special use permit
4 which would allow residents to use the private land administered by
5 the Department of Wildlife Conservation for nonhunting- or
6 nonfishing-related activities for up to three (3) consecutive days.

7 ~~B. C.~~ The Commission may establish and assess a fee for ~~an~~
8 ~~annual resident and nonresident special use permit or a three-day~~
9 ~~resident special use permit to use the private land leased and~~
10 ~~administered by the Department. The fees from permits purchased~~
11 ~~pursuant to the provisions~~ subsections A and B of this section which
12 shall be expended by the Department exclusively for lease payments
13 and for developing, managing, preserving, and protecting wildlife
14 and wildlife habitat on the private land leased and administered by
15 the Department.

16 D. The Commission shall establish a three-day special use
17 permit to be purchased by a landowner with tracts of land of three
18 hundred (300) acres or more for the purpose of hosting or
19 accommodating a nonprofit event. The special use permit would allow
20 residents and nonresidents to hunt and fish on a specific piece of
21 private land with three hundred (300) acres or more with permission
22 of the landowner for up to three (3) consecutive days. The permit
23 shall exempt individuals from any other hunting or fishing license
24 or permit requirements only for the three (3) days and on the land

1 for which the permit was issued. The Commission may establish and
2 assess a fee for permits purchased pursuant to this subsection that
3 shall not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). As used in this
4 subsection, "nonprofit event" shall mean an event or special
5 occurrence held, organized or coordinated by a private, nonprofit
6 entity, organization or association that occurs only within the
7 three (3) days and on the land for which the permit was issued. The
8 Commission shall promulgate any rules necessary to implement the
9 provisions of this subsection.

10 ~~C.~~ E. Legal residents of Oklahoma who are under eighteen (18)
11 years of age on the first day of the current calendar year or are
12 sixty-four (64) years of age or older shall be exempt from the
13 permit requirements of this section.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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