An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 1571

By: Allen and Stephens of the Senate

and

West (Rick) of the House

An Act relating to hunting; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 5-213, which relates to crossbows and longbows as a legal means of take; authorizing the use of air bows as a legal means of take during certain season; requiring an individual to obtain a stamp from the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission prior to use; providing contingent limitation; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Hunting method

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 5-213, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-213. \underline{A} . The use of crossbows and conventional longbows with a device that permits the bow to be held mechanically at full or partial draw, shall be a legal hunting method during any open season when conventional longbows are a legal means of take.

B. The use of air bows shall be a legal hunting method during any open season when rifles are a legal means of take. No person may hunt or take during the open season with an air bow unless the person has first obtained a stamp issued by the Oklahoma Wildlife

Conservation Commission for a one-time fee of Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).

C. At such time as the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act is amended to expand the excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition to include air bows and air guns, the stamp pursuant to subsection B of this section shall no longer be required, and authorization for the continual use of air bows as a legal means of take shall be established by rules promulgated by the Commission.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 9th day of May, 2022. Presiding Officer of the Senate Passed the House of Representatives the 19th day of April, 2022. Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Received by the Office of the Governor this day of _____, 20____, at ____ o'clock _____ M. By: _____ Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this day of _____, 20____, at ____ o'clock ____ M. Governor of the State of Oklahoma OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this day of _____, 20 ____, at ____ o'clock _____M. By: