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FLOOR AMENDMENT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend <u>SB941</u> Of the printed Bill Page Section Lines Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Amendment submitted by: Ty Burns

Adopted: _____

Reading Clerk

1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)
3	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE FOR ENGROSSED
4 5	SENATE BILL NO. 941 By: Bullard, Burns, Dugger, Pemberton, Stephens, Garvin, and Pederson of the
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7	and
8	Burns, Cornwell, Talley, Fetgatter, May, Moore, Waldron, Rosecrants,
9	Hardin, McDugle, and Munson of the House
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13	FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
14	An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 3-103, which relates to function,
15	powers, and duties of the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission; requiring a report to be
16	submitted to the Legislature regarding changes in license fees; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-110,
17	which relates to fishing licenses; increasing age threshold for licenses; increasing fees; removing
18	certain deposits of fees into certain fund; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-112, as last amended by
19	Section 2, Chapter 208, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp.
20	2022, Section 4-112), which relates to hunting license; increasing age threshold for license;
21	increasing fees; modifying requirements for disabled veterans; removing certain deposits of fees into
22	certain fund; eliminating certain licenses; providing for promulgation of rules; amending 29 O.S. 2021,
23	Section 4-112A, which relates to certificate of competency; increasing age threshold for certificate;
24	amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-113, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 208, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp.

1 2022, Section 4-113), which relates to hunting/fishing annual combination licenses; increasing age threshold for license; increasing fee; 2 removing certain deposit of fee into certain fund; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-113.1, which relates 3 to five-year licenses; decreasing time period of licenses; increasing fees; removing certain deposits 4 of fee into certain fund; amending 29 O.S. 2021, 5 Section 4-114, which relates to lifetime license; increasing fees; removing certain deposits of fee into certain fund; removing delayed payment of fee 6 for license; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-130, 7 which relates to waterfowl hunting stamp; increasing age threshold for stamp; removing certain deposit of fee into certain fund; increasing fees; amending 29 8 O.S. 2021, Section 4-138, which relates to the 9 Wildlife Conservation Passport; requiring passport for land managed by the Commission; increasing age 10 threshold for exemption; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-140, which relates to wildlife land stamp; removing provisions of distribution; allowing for 11 stamp fees to be used for certain purpose; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-144, which relates to black 12 bear hunting license; providing certain exemption 13 from license requirement; repealing 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-112, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 14 347, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 4-112), which relates to hunting license; updating statutory 15 language; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency. 16 17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 3-103, is 20 amended to read as follows: 21 Section 3-103. Α. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation 22 Commission shall constitute an advisory, administrative and 23 policymaking board for the protection, restoration, perpetuation, 24 conservation, supervision, maintenance, enhancement, and management of wildlife in this state as provided in the Oklahoma Wildlife
 Conservation Code.

B. The Director shall consult with the Commission regarding the
administration of the affairs of the Department of Wildlife
Conservation. The Commission is authorized and empowered to require
from the Director complete reports and information relative to the
affairs of the Department at the time and in the manner the
Commission may deem advisable.

9 C. The Commission shall meet in regular session at least nine times per year not to exceed one meeting per month with not more 10 11 than two consecutive calendar months between meetings and in special 12 sessions as may be called by the Chair or a majority of the 13 Commission. The Commission may hold any regular or special session 14 at any location within this state. Should a location be chosen 15 other than Commission headquarters in Oklahoma City for a regular or 16 special meeting, notice shall be posted at Commission headquarters 17 in Oklahoma City and advertised in the local newspaper of the city 18 in which the meeting is to be held, at least one time during each of the two (2) weeks prior to the meeting. The advertisements shall 19 20 include time, date, and address of location of the meeting.

D. In addition to the other powers and duties prescribed by law, the Commission shall:

23 1. Institute an affirmative action plan for hiring women and 24 minorities throughout the agency;

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2. Elect a chair, vice-chair vice chair, and secretary, who
 shall perform the duties required of them by statutes, rules of the
 Commission, and the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma. The
 chair, vice-chair vice chair, and secretary shall receive no extra
 compensation;

3. Appoint a Director, and determine the qualifications of the
Director and all assistants and employees. A Commissioner shall not
be eligible for employment in any position within the Department;

9 4. Prescribe rules and policies for the transaction of its10 business and the control of the Department;

5. Develop and implement a plan to provide step raises for Commission employees so that discrepancies of pay levels within a pay grade are eliminated;

Acquire by purchase, lease, gift, or devise, waters, real
property, and personal property incident to the exercise of its
functions and to maintain, operate, and dispose of the same;

17 7. Acquire real property by condemnation only when the Attorney
18 General or other counsel deems it an appropriate means of clearing
19 title from willing or unavailable sellers;

8. Supervise the establishment, extension, improvement, and
 operation of the wildlife refuges, propagation areas or stations,
 public hunting areas, public fishing areas, game management areas,
 and fish hatcheries;

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1 9. Prescribe the manner of cooperation with the Oklahoma 2 Tourism and Recreation Department, colleges and universities within the state, other state agencies, any agency of the federal 3 4 government, and any city, town, school district, or any other agency 5 or organization in study of conservation and propagation of wildlife and in the establishment, maintenance, and operation of visual 6 7 educational facilities, recreational facilities, and hunting and fishing facilities, in the study and propagation of wildlife; 8 9 10. Supervise the letting of all contracts and purchases for

10 the Department, with all purchases of personal property to be made 11 through the Office of Management and Enterprise Services;

12 11. Authorize all claims or expenditures prior to incurring13 payment except as otherwise provided in this Code;

14 12. Prescribe rules on the use of Department-owned vehicles by 15 the Director, department heads and other essential employees as the 16 Commission deems necessary in order to perform their duties;

17 13. Prescribe rules for the sale of all regular or special18 licenses;

19 14. Publicize and encourage the conservation and appreciation
20 of wildlife and all other natural resources;

21 15. Regulate the seasons and harvest of wildlife;

22 16. Promulgate rules to sell fishing and hunting licenses via 23 the Internet;

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17. Annually report to the Governor and the Legislature on the
 complete operation, activities, and plans of the Department,
 together with such recommendations for future activities as the
 Commission may deem to be in the best interest of the state; and
 18. Provide the Governor and the Legislature with an annual
 inventory of all property and equipment.

Five (5) years after the effective date of this act, and
every five (5) years thereafter, the Commission shall prepare a
report for the Legislature with proposed licensing fees based on the
latest Consumer Price Index year-to-date percent change release as
of the date of the annual average county wage data release from the
Bureau of Economic Analysis of the U.S. Department of Commerce for
Legislature approval or rejection.

14SECTION 2.AMENDATORY29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-110, is15amended to read as follows:

16 Section 4-110. A. Except as otherwise provided in the Oklahoma 17 Wildlife Conservation Code, no person shall fish, pursue, harass, 18 catch, kill, take in any manner, use, have in possession, sell, or 19 transport all or any portion of fish without having first procured a 20 license for such from the Director or from any of the authorized 21 agents of the Department of Wildlife Conservation. The Oklahoma 22 Wildlife Conservation Commission may designate two (2) days per year 23 in which residents and nonresidents may fish without first procuring 24 a fishing license pursuant to the provisions of this section.

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B. The following legal residents of Oklahoma <u>and the following</u>
<u>nonresidents</u> shall be exempt from the annual fishing license
requirements of subsection C of this section and the following
nonresidents shall be exempt from the annual nonresident fishing
licenses required pursuant to subsection E of this section:

Legal residents under sixteen (16) eighteen (18) years of
age and nonresidents under sixteen (16) eighteen (18) years of age
from states which do not require nonresident fishing licenses for
persons under sixteen (16) years of age;

10 2. Legal residents sixty-five (65) years of age or older and 11 nonresidents sixty-five (65) years of age or older from states which 12 do not require nonresident fishing licenses for persons sixty-five 13 (65) years of age or older, provided a legal resident has obtained a 14 senior citizen lifetime fishing or combination hunting and fishing 15 license pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-114 of this title;

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3. Legal residents born on or before January 1, 1923;

17 4. Legal resident veterans having a disability of sixty percent 18 (60%) or more and registered with the veterans registry created by 19 the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; provided, that if the 20 veteran has previously received an exemption pursuant to this 21 paragraph, no registration with the veterans registry shall be 22 The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall required. 23 promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this 24 paragraph;

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5. <u>4.</u> Legal resident owners or tenants, their spouses, parents,
 grandparents, children and their spouses, grandchildren and their
 spouses who fish in private ponds on land owned or leased by them;

6. <u>5.</u> Any legal resident or nonresident who is a patient of an
institution of the State of Oklahoma established for the care and
treatment of mental illness or alcohol or drug dependency or any
developmentally disabled person residing in any group home or other
institution or developmentally disabled persons when accompanied by
an attendant of the institution or legal guardian of the patient, or
when fishing on institutional property;

11 7. Any legal resident or nonresident under eighteen (18) years 12 of age who is in the legal and physical custody of the State of 13 Oklahoma or one of its agencies by court order;

14 8. Any legal resident or nonresident under eighteen (18) years 15 of age who is in the physical custody of a child care facility as 16 defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

17 9. 6. Any legal resident or nonresident who is legally blind or 18 who has any other physical impairment, as certified by a physician 19 licensed in this state or any state which borders this state, which 20 prevents the person from properly using fishing apparatus without 21 the assistance of another person, and any one person actually 22 accompanying and actually assisting such legally blind or otherwise 23 physically impaired person while the latter is fishing. This 24 certification shall be carried by the individual while fishing;

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10. Nonresidents under fourteen (14) years of age;

2 11. 7. Any legal resident or nonresident who is a Job Corps 3 trainee of this state, provided that the trainees shall have on 4 their persons a duly authorized identification card issued by their 5 respective Job Corps Center and shall present the card upon request, 6 in lieu of a fishing license. The trainees shall return their cards 7 to their respective Job Corps Center when the trainees leave their 8 respective Job Corps training programs;

9 <u>12.</u> <u>8.</u> Any legal resident having a proven disability which 10 renders the resident nonambulatory and confined to a wheelchair as 11 certified by a physician licensed in this state or any state which 12 borders this state;

13 <u>13. 9.</u> Any legal resident who is fishing with a pole and line, 14 trotline, or throwline in streams, natural lakes, natural ponds, and 15 mine pits in the county in which the person is a resident, or in 16 streams, natural lakes, natural ponds, and mine pits which form a 17 part of the boundary line of the county in which the person is a 18 resident, when using any bait other than commercial or artificial 19 bait, blood, stink bait, cut fish, and shrimp; and

20 <u>14. 10.</u> Any legal resident or nonresident participating in an 21 aquatic education event or clinic sanctioned by the Department of 22 Wildlife Conservation.

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C. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife
 Conservation Code, the resident fishing licenses issued pursuant to
 the provisions of this section and the fee for each shall be:

Annual fishing license for legal residents eighteen (18)
years of age and older, valid for one (1) year from the date of
<u>issuance</u> - Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) Thirty Dollars (\$30.00);
Annual fishing license for legal residents sixteen (16) or
seventeen (17) years of age - Four Dollars (\$4.00); and
Two-day fishing license for legal residents - Fourteen
Dollars (\$14.00).

D. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of 11 12 paragraphs 1 and 3 of subsection C of this section, Five Dollars 13 (\$5.00) of the license fee shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land 14 Stamp and shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund 15 created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title. 16 E. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife 17 Conservation Code, the nonresident fishing licenses issued pursuant 18 to the provisions of this section and the fee for each shall be: 19 1. Annual fishing license for nonresidents, valid for one (1) 20 year from the date of issuance - Fifty-four Dollars (\$54.00) Eighty 21 Dollars (\$80.00), provided the Commission may enter into reciprocity 22 agreements with states wherein nonresident license fees shall be in 23 conformity with such reciprocal agreements;

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1 2. Six-day fishing license for nonresidents - Thirty-four
2 Dollars (\$34.00); and

3 3. One-day fishing license for nonresidents - Fourteen Dollars 4 (\$14.00) Daily fishing license for residents - Ten Dollars (\$10.00); 5 and

6 <u>4. Daily fishing license for nonresidents - Twenty-five Dollars</u>
7 (\$25.00).

F. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of 8 9 paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of subsection E of this section, Five Dollars 10 (\$5.00) of the annual license fee for nonresidents, One Dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) of the six-day fishing license for nonresidents 11 12 fee and One Dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) of the one-day fishing 13 license for nonresidents fee shall be deposited in the Wildlife Land 14 Acquisition Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-132 15 of this title. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of 16 paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of subsection E of this section, Five Dollars 17 (\$5.00) of the license fee shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land 18 Stamp and shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title. 19 20 G. D. Legal residents who have resided in this state for at 21 least six (6) months and who are receiving Social Security 22 Disability benefits, Supplemental Security Income benefits, 23 disability benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act, 45 U.S.C.A., 24 Section 231a, postal employees receiving disability benefits

pursuant to 5 U.S.C., Section 8451 (1998) or legal residents who are one hundred percent (100%) disabled and are receiving disability payments from the Multiple Injury Trust Fund pursuant to Section 403 <u>31</u> of Title 85 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes, may purchase a five year disability fishing combination hunting/fishing license from the Director for Ten Dollars (\$10.00) Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for five (5) years.

8 H. E. 1. Any person arrested while violating the provisions of 9 this section who does not meet the requirements of subsection $\frac{1}{2}$ H of 10 this section, may purchase a substitute temporary thirty-day license 11 from the arresting game warden in lieu of posting bond. The fee for 12 a substitute license purchased pursuant to the provisions of this 13 subsection shall be:

- 14a. for legal residents, Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)One15Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), and
- 16 b. for nonresidents, Ninety Dollars (\$90.00) One Hundred 17 Fifty (\$150.00).

18 2. Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, the fees 19 from licenses purchased pursuant to the provisions of this 20 subsection shall be deposited in the Wildlife Conservation Fund to 21 be used exclusively for developing, managing, preserving, and 22 protecting wildlife and wildlife habitat.

23 I. F. Unless a substitute license is purchased as provided for 24 by subsection H \underline{E} of this section, any resident of this state 1 convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be 2 punished by the imposition of a fine of not less than Twenty-five 3 Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) or by 4 imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed thirty 5 (30) days, or by both said such fine and imprisonment.

G. Unless a substitute license is purchased as provided for
by subsection H E of this section, any nonresident convicted of
violating this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than
Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)
or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not more than
thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

12 K. H. Any person producing proof in court that a current 13 fishing license issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation to 14 that person was in force at the time of the alleged offense shall be 15 entitled to dismissal of a charge of violating this section upon 16 payment of court costs. If proof of a current fishing license 17 issued by the Department to the person that was in force at the time 18 of the alleged offense is presented to the court or district 19 attorney within seventy-two (72) hours after the violation, the 20 charge shall be dismissed without payment of court costs. 21 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-112, as 22 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 96, O.S.L. 2023 (29 O.S. Supp. 23 2023, Section 4-112), is amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 4-112. A. Except as otherwise provided for in the 2 Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code or the Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae Act, no person may hunt, pursue, trap, harass, catch, kill, take or 3 attempt to take in any manner, use, have in possession, sell, or 4 5 transport all or any portion of any wildlife except fish, without having first procured a license from the Department of Wildlife 6 7 Conservation. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall designate a consecutive Saturday and Sunday in September of each 8 9 year as free hunting days in which residents of this state may hunt 10 without first procuring a hunting license pursuant to the provisions of this section. 11

B. The following legal residents of Oklahoma shall be exempt from the annual hunting license requirement of paragraph 1 of subsection F of this section and the following nonresidents shall be exempt from the annual nonresident hunting licenses required pursuant to paragraphs paragraph 1 and 2 of subsection C of this section:

18 1. Legal residents under sixteen (16) eighteen (18) years of 19 age;

20 2. Legal residents sixty-five (65) years of age or older
21 provided they have obtained a senior citizen lifetime hunting or
22 combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to the provisions
23 of Section 4-114 of this title;

24 3. Legal residents born on or before January 1, 1923;

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4. Legal resident veterans having a disability of sixty percent
(60%) or more <u>and registered with the veterans registry created by</u>
<u>the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; provided, that if the</u>
<u>veteran has previously received an exemption pursuant to this</u>
<u>paragraph, no registration with the veterans registry shall be</u>
<u>required;</u>

7 <u>5. 4.</u> Legal resident owners or tenants who hunt on land owned
8 or leased by them;

9 6. 5. Any nonresident under fourteen (14) eighteen years of
10 age;

11 7. 6. Legal residents having a proven disability which renders 12 them nonambulatory and confines them to a wheelchair, as certified 13 by a physician licensed in this state or in any state which borders 14 this state;

15 8. 7. Any legal resident or nonresident under eighteen (18) 16 years of age who is in the physical custody of a child care facility 17 as defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and 18 9. 8. Any legal resident or nonresident hunting, pursuing, 19 trapping, harassing, catching, killing, taking, or attempting to 20 take in any manner any species of rattlesnake during an organized 21 rattlesnake-hunting event or festival and who has a rattlesnake 22 permit issued pursuant to Section 4-143 of this title.

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1	C. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife
2	Conservation Code, the nonresident hunting licenses issued pursuant
3	to this section and the fee for each license shall be:
4	1. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other
5	than deer, antelope, elk or bear which expires on December 31 of the
6	year purchased - One Hundred Forty-one Dollars (\$141.00).
7	Nonresidents hunting big game, combination big game and upland game
8	or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be required to
9	have this license;
10	2. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other
11	than deer, antelope, elk or bear which expires on June 30 of the
12	fiscal <u>one (1)</u> year purchased after the date of issuance - One
13	Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00) Two Hundred Eight Dollars
14	(\$208.00). Nonresidents hunting big game, combination big game and
15	upland game or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be
16	required to have this license;
17	3. <u>2.</u> Gun hunting license for deer÷
18	a. during deer gun seasons for youth nonresidents
19	seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be
20	valid for hunting one antlerless deer allowed during
21	the current calendar year deer gun seasons - Thirty
22	Dollars (\$30.00),
23	b. during deer gun seasons for youth nonresidents
24	seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be

1	valid for hunting one antlered or antlerless deer
2	allowed during the current calendar year deer gun
3	seasons - Ninety-nine Dollars (\$99.00), and
4	c. during deer gun seasons for nonresidents which shall
5	be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the
6	current calendar year deer gun season – Two Hundred
7	Ninety-nine Dollars (\$299.00) Five Hundred Dollars
8	(\$500.00) in addition to the nonresident annual
9	hunting license required in paragraph 1 of this
10	subsection;
11	4. 3. Archery hunting license for deer for nonresidents which
12	shall expire on January 15 of the calendar year after the year
13	purchased or, if purchased during the deer archery season, it shall
14	expire at the end of that deer archery season÷
15	a. during deer archery seasons for youth nonresidents
16	seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be
17	valid for hunting one antlerless deer allowed during
18	the current deer archery seasons - Thirty Dollars
19	(\$30.00),
20	b. during deer archery seasons for youth nonresidents
21	seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be
22	valid for hunting one antlered or antlerless deer
23	allowed during the current deer archery seasons -
24	Ninety-nine Dollars (\$99.00), and

1	c.	during deer archery seasons for nonresidents which
2		shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the
3		current deer archery season - Two Hundred Ninety-nine
4		Dollars (\$299.00) <u>Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) in</u>
5		addition to the nonresident annual hunting license
6		required in paragraph 1 of this subsection;
7	5. <u>4.</u> Pri	mitive firearms hunting license for deer for :
8	a.	during deer primitive firearms seasons for youth
9		nonresidents seventeen (17) years of age or younger
10		which shall be valid for hunting one antlerless deer
11		allowed during the current calendar year deer
12		primitive firearms seasons - Thirty Dollars (\$30.00),
13	b.	during deer primitive firearms seasons for youth
14		nonresidents seventeen (17) years of age or younger
15		which shall be valid for hunting one antlered or
16		antlerless deer allowed during the current calendar
17		year deer primitive firearms seasons - Ninety-nine
18		Dollars (\$99.00), and
19	c.	during deer primitive firearms seasons for
20		nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer
21		allowed during the current calendar year deer
22		primitive firearms season - Two Hundred Ninety-nine
23		Dollars (\$299.00) <u>Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) in</u>
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1	addition to the nonresident annual hunting license
2	required in paragraph 1 of this subsection;
3	6. <u>5.</u> Hunting license for antelope for nonresidents - Three
4	Hundred Five Dollars (\$305.00) Five Hundred Five Dollars (\$505.00);
5	7. <u>6.</u> Hunting license for elk for nonresidents - Three Hundred
6	Five Dollars (\$305.00) Five Hundred Five Dollars (\$505.00);
7	8. 7. Five-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting game
8	other than deer, antelope, elk, quail, turkey or , bear <u>, or waterfowl</u>
9	- Seventy-four Dollars (\$74.00) . Nonresidents hunting big game,
10	combination big game and upland game or exotic wildlife in a
11	commercial hunting area shall be required to have this license;
12	9. 8. Ten-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting small
13	game in a commercial hunting area - Five Dollars (\$5.00) Annual
14	youth hunting license for nonresidents under eighteen (18) years of
15	age, which shall include all species and all seasons for which a
16	hunting license is required - One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00);
17	and
18	10. 9. Five-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting winged
19	upland game, excluding wild turkey, in a commercial hunting area -
20	Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00).
21	D. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall provide a
22	report to both the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the
23	Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1 of 2019 and
24	2020 setting forth information regarding licenses issued pursuant to

1	paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of subsection C of this section, which shall
2	include, but not be limited to:
3	1. The number of licenses issued during the most recent
4	respective deer hunting seasons; and
5	2. A fiscal analysis comparing revenue generated from the fees
6	of the licenses issued during the most recent respective deer
7	hunting seasons compared to previous years and whether the deer
8	hunting license structure is beneficial to the Department.
9	E. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of
10	subsection C of this section:
11	1. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee of each license
12	issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 7 of subsection C of this
13	section and Two Dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) of the license fee
14	for each license issued pursuant to paragraph 8 of subsection C of
15	this section shall be deposited in the Wildlife Land Acquisition
16	Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-132 of this
17	title; and
18	2. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee for each license
19	issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 8 of subsection C of this
20	section shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp and shall be
21	deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund created pursuant to the
22	provisions of Section 4-141 of this title.
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1	The nonresident hunting license for hunting in a commercial
2	hunting area issued pursuant to this section and the fee for each
3	license shall be:
4	1. Five-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting big game
5	or combination big game - Seventy-four Dollars (\$74.00);
6	2. Ten-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting small game
7	and upland winged game, excluding turkeys - Twenty Dollars (\$20.00);
8	3. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting big game or
9	combination big game - One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00).
10	E. For the purpose of hunting in a commercial hunting area,
11	nonresidents who acquire a license pursuant to subsection D of this
12	section shall be exempted from licensure requirements in subsection
13	<u>C of this section.</u>
14	F. Except as otherwise provided, the resident hunting licenses
15	issued pursuant to this section and the fee for each license shall
16	be:
17	1. Annual hunting license for residents eighteen (18) years of
18	age and older which expires on December 31 of the year purchased -
19	Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00) - Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00);
20	2. Annual <u>youth</u> hunting license for residents <u>under</u> eighteen
21	(18) years of age, which shall include all species and all season
22	for which a hunting license is required - Twenty-five Dollars
23	(\$25.00) and older which expires on June 30 of the fiscal year
24	purchased - Thirty-one Dollars (\$31.00);

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3. Annual hunting license for residents sixteen (16) or
 seventeen (17) years of age which expires on December 31 of the year
 purchased - Four Dollars (\$4.00);
 4. Annual hunting license for residents sixteen (16) or

5 seventeen (17) years of age which expires on June 30 of the fiscal 6 year purchased - Six Dollars (\$6.00);

7 5. Ten-day hunting license for residents for small game <u>and</u> 8 <u>upland winged game, excluding wild turkeys</u> in a commercial hunting 9 area - Five Dollars (\$5.00);

6. 4. Five-year disability hunting combination hunting/fishing 10 11 license for residents of this state for at least six (6) months who 12 are receiving Social Security Disability benefits, Supplemental 13 Security Income benefits or disability benefits under the Railroad 14 Retirement Act, 45 U.S.C.A., Section 231a, or residents who are one-15 hundred-percent disabled and are receiving disability payments from 16 the Multiple Injury Trust Fund pursuant to Section 31 of Title 85A 17 of the Oklahoma Statutes - Ten Dollars (\$10.00) Twenty Dollars 18 (\$20.00);

19 7. 5. Gun hunting license for deer for residents eighteen (18)
 20 years of age or older, which shall include all deer allowed for
 21 <u>harvesting during gun season</u> - Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00) Thirty-five
 22 <u>Dollars (\$35.00)</u>. The following persons shall be exempt:
 23 a. residents with proper certification from the United
 24 States Department of Veterans Affairs or its

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1	successor, certifying that the person is a disabled
2	veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundred-
3	percent rate and registered with the veterans registry
4	created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
5	Affairs; provided that if the veteran has previously
6	received an exemption pursuant to this subparagraph,
7	no registration with the veterans registry shall be
8	required, and
9	b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game
10	and upland game commercial hunting areas;
11	8. Gun hunting license for deer for residents under eighteen
12	(18) years of age - Nine Dollars (\$9.00);
13	9.6. Archery hunting license for deer for residents eighteen
14	(18) years of age or older, which shall include all deer allowed for
15	harvesting during archery season - Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00) Thirty-
16	<u>five Dollars ($\$35.00$)</u> . The following persons shall be exempt:
17	a. residents with proper certification from the United
18	States Department of Veterans Affairs or its
19	successor, certifying that the person is a disabled
20	veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundred-
21	percent rate and registered with the veterans registry
22	created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
23	Affairs; provided that if the veteran has previously
24	received an exemption pursuant to this subparagraph,

1	no registration with the veterans registry shall be
2	required, and
3	b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game
4	and upland game commercial hunting areas;
5	10. Archery hunting license for deer for residents under
6	eighteen (18) years of age - Nine Dollars (\$9.00);
7	11. 7. Primitive firearms hunting license for deer for
8	residents eighteen (18) years of age or older, which shall include
9	all deer allowed for harvesting during primitive firearm season -
10	Nincteen Dollars (\$19.00) Thirty-five Dollars (\$35.00). The
11	following persons shall be exempt:
12	a. residents with proper certification from the United
13	States Department of Veterans Affairs or its
14	successor, certifying that the person is a disabled
15	veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundred-
16	percent rate and registered with the veterans registry
17	created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans
18	Affairs; provided that if the veteran has previously
19	received an exemption pursuant to this subparagraph,
20	no registration with the veterans registry shall be
21	required, and
22	b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game
23	and upland game commercial hunting areas;

1	12. Primitive firearms hunting license for deer for residents
2	under eighteen (18) years of age - Nine Dollars (\$9.00);
3	13. <u>8.</u> Hunting license for elk for residents – Fifty Dollars
4	(\$50.00). Residents hunting in big game or combination big game and
5	upland game commercial hunting areas shall be exempt from this
6	license;
7	14. <u>9.</u> Hunting license for antelope for residents – Fifty
8	Dollars (\$50.00). Residents hunting in big game or combination big
9	game and upland game commercial hunting areas shall be exempt from
10	this license ; and
11	15. Bonus, special or additional gun hunting license for deer
12	for residents - Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00). The following persons
13	shall be exempt:
14	a. residents with proper certification from the United
15	States Department of Veterans Affairs or its
16	successor, certifying that the person is a disabled
17	veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundred-
18	percent rate, and
19	b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game
20	and upland game commercial hunting areas.
21	G. Residents hunting big game, combination big game and upland
22	game or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be
23	required to have one of the following licenses:
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- 1 1. An annual hunting license issued pursuant to paragraph 1, 2, 2 3 or 4 of subsection F of this section;
- 3 2. An annual hunting and fishing combination license issued 4 pursuant to Section 4-113 of this title;
- 5 3. A five-year hunting license or five-year combination hunting 6 and fishing license issued pursuant to Section 4-113.1 of this 7 title; or
- 4. A lifetime hunting license or lifetime combination hunting
 and fishing license issued pursuant to Section 4-114 of this title.
 H. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of
 paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection F of this section, Five Dollars
 (\$5.00) of the license fee shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land
 Stamp and shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund
 ereated pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title.
- 15 I. G. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to 16 require a hunting license, resident or nonresident, of any person 17 merely because the person participates, as owner or handler of an 18 entry, as an official, or as a spectator in the conduct of a field 19 trial or performance test of dogs, whether a resident or nonresident of the State of Oklahoma. No license to hunt shall be required of 20 21 any person engaged in training or working dogs, provided that person 22 is in no way engaged in hunting and does not take or attempt to take 23 in any manner any game.
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1 J. H. 1. Any person arrested for hunting game other than deer, 2 antelope, elk, bear or turkey without a valid hunting license as required by the provisions of subsection A of this section may 3 4 purchase a substitute temporary thirty-day license from the 5 arresting game warden in lieu of posting bond. Proof of hunter safety certification will not be required for the temporary 6 7 substitute license. The fee for a substitute license purchased pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be: 8

for legal residents, Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) One

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Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), and

b. for nonresidents, One Hundred Forty-five Dollars
 (\$145.00) Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00).

13 2. Except as otherwise provided for by this subsection, the 14 fees from licenses purchased pursuant to the provisions of this 15 subsection shall be deposited in the Wildlife Conservation Fund to 16 be used exclusively for developing, managing, preserving, and 17 protecting wildlife and wildlife habitat.

18 K. I. Any person producing proof in court that a current 19 hunting license issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation to 20 that person was in force at the time of the alleged offense shall be 21 entitled to dismissal of a charge of violating this section upon 22 payment of court costs. If proof of a current hunting license 23 issued by the Department to the person that was in force at the time 24 of the alleged offense is presented to the court or district

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1 attorney within seventy-two (72) hours after the violation, the 2 charge shall be dismissed without payment of court costs.

3 H. J. Unless a substitute license is purchased as provided for
4 by subsection J H of this section, any resident convicted of
5 violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by the
6 imposition of a fine of not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00)
7 nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), or by imprisonment in
8 the county jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or by
9 both.

10 M. K. Unless a substitute license is purchased as provided for 11 by subsection $\neq \underline{H}$ of this section, any nonresident convicted of 12 violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by the 13 imposition of a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) 14 nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in 15 the county jail for a period not to exceed six (6) months, or by 16 both.

17 <u>L. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall</u>
 18 promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this
 19 <u>section.</u>
 20 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-113, as

21 amended by Section 3, Chapter 208, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp. 2023, 22 Section 4-113), is amended to read as follows:

23 Section 4-113. A. Legal residents who are not the individuals 24 exempted from the license requirement as provided in subsection B of

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Section 4-112 of this title may purchase an annual combination 1 hunting/fishing license from the Director or agents of the Director. 2 The fee for each combination hunting/fishing license issued 3 Β. under this section shall be: 4 1. For for residents eighteen (18) years of age and older for a 5 license that which expires one (1) year after the date of issuance -6 7 Fifty-two Dollars (\$52.00); and 2. For legal residents sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of 8 9 age for a license that expires one (1) year after the date of 10 issuance - Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00). 11 C. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of 12 paragraph 1 of subsection B of this section, Five Dollars (\$5.00) of 13 the license fee shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp and 14 shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund created 15 pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-113.1, is 16 SECTION 5. 17 amended to read as follows: 18 Section 4-113.1. A. All legal residents who have resided in 19 the state for at least six (6) months may purchase five-year fishing 20 licenses, five-year hunting licenses or five-year a three (3) year 21 combination hunting/fishing licenses license from the State Wildlife 22 Conservation Director. 23 The fee for these licenses the three (3) year combination в. 24 hunting/fishing license shall be:

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1. Five-year fishing license, Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00);
2. Five-year hunting license, Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00);
and

3. Five-year combination hunting/fishing license, One Hundred
Thirty-five Dollars (\$135.00) One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$120.00).
C. The use of the licenses license provided in this section is

7 subject to those restrictions provided by statute and the
8 regulations of the <u>Oklahoma</u> Wildlife Conservation Commission.

9 D. Should any lifetime license be lost or destroyed, a 10 duplicate will be issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation 11 for a fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) <u>not more than Ten Dollars</u> 12 (\$10.00).

13 E. A five-year three (3) year licensee shall not lose the 14 privileges of such license by a subsequent transfer of residency. 15 F. 1. In addition to the fees imposed pursuant to subsection B 16 of this section, a person purchasing a five-year fishing, hunting or 17 combination license shall be required to purchase a five-year 18 Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp. Each person shall have the stamp in 19 their possession while hunting, fishing, or taking any wildlife. 20 The fee for the five-year Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp shall be 21 Twelve Dollars (\$12.00). The fee for the stamp shall be distributed 22 as follows: 23 Ten Dollars (\$10.00) from each stamp shall be

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deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created

1	in Section 4-141 of Title 29 of the Oklahoma Statutes,
2	to be used to retire the obligations and related
3	expenses as authorized pursuant to Section 168.9 of
4	Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes or to purchase,
5	lease, or purchase easements on real property to be
6	used as public hunting, fishing, and trapping areas,
7	and
8	b. Two Dollars (\$2.00) from each stamp shall be deposited
9	in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created in Section
10	4-141 of Title 29 of the Oklahoma Statutes, to be used
11	by the Commission for management of the real property
12	acquired pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the
13	Oklahoma Statutes or acquired with proceeds from the
14	Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee.
15	2. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall
16	prescribe, by rule, the form, design, and manner of issuance of the
17	five-year Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp.
18	3. Within one (1) year of the final retirement, redemption, or
19	defeasance of the obligations created pursuant to Section 168.9 of
20	Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the five-year Oklahoma Wildlife
21	Land Stamp and five-year Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee
22	requirements provided for in this subsection shall terminate.
23	SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-114, is
24	amended to read as follows:

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1	Section 4-114. A. All legal residents who have resided in the
2	state for at least six (6) months and intend to remain residents may
3	purchase lifetime fishing licenses, lifetime hunting licenses or
4	lifetime combination hunting and fishing licenses from the State
5	Wildlife Conservation Director.
6	B. The fee for these licenses shall be:
7	1. Lifetime fishing license, Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)
8	Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$375.00);
9	2. Lifetime hunting license, Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00);
10	3. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing license, Seven
11	Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) One Thousand Twenty-four Dollars
12	<u>(\$1,024.00)</u> ;
13	4. Senior citizen lifetime hunting license for persons sixty-
14	five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00);
15	$\frac{5}{2}$ Senior citizen lifetime fishing license for persons
16	sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00)
17	Thirty Dollars (\$30.00); and
18	$\frac{6}{6}$ <u>4.</u> Senior citizen lifetime combination hunting and fishing
19	license for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Twenty-
20	five Dollars (\$25.00) <u>Sixty Dollars (\$60.00)</u> .
21	C. Legal resident having proper certification from the United
22	States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor certifying
23	that the person is a disabled veteran and registered with the
24	veterans registry created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans

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Affairs may purchase a disability lifetime combination hunting and
 fishing license from the State Wildlife Conservation Director. The
 fees for the license shall be as follows:

4 1. Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for veterans having a
5 disability of less than sixty percent (60%); and

6 2. Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for veterans having a
7 disability of sixty percent (60%) or more.

D. The use of the licenses provided in this section are subject
to those restrictions provided by statute and the regulations of the
Wildlife Conservation Commission. Except as otherwise provided for
in this section, each lifetime hunting license issued pursuant to
subsections B and C of this section shall be in lieu of all annual
hunting licenses and all special season permits.

E. Should any lifetime license be lost or destroyed, a duplicate will be issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation for a fee of not more than Ten Dollars (\$10.00).

F. A lifetime licensee shall not lose the privileges of suchlicense by a subsequent transfer of residency.

19 G. 1. In addition to the fees imposed pursuant to paragraphs 1 20 through 3 of subsection B of this section, a person purchasing a 21 lifetime fishing, hunting or combination license, excluding a senior 22 citizen lifetime hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing 23 license issued pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of subsection B of 24 this section and a disability lifetime combination hunting and

1	fishing license issued pursuant to subsection C of this section,
2	shall be required to purchase a Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land
3	Stamp. Each person shall have the stamp in their possession while
4	hunting, fishing, or taking any wildlife. The fee for the Lifetime
5	Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).
6	The fee for the stamp shall be distributed as follows:
7	a. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) from each stamp shall be
8	deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created
9	in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used to retire
10	the obligations and related expenses as authorized
11	pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma
12	Statutes or to purchase, lease, or purchase easements
13	on real property to be used as public hunting,
14	fishing, and trapping areas, and
15	b. Five Dollars (\$5.00) from each stamp shall be
16	deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created
17	in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used by the
18	Commission for management of the real property
19	acquired pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the
20	Oklahoma Statutes or acquired with proceeds from the
21	Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee.
22	2. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall
23	prescribe, by rule, the form, design, and manner of issuance of the

24 Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp.

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1 3. Within one (1) year of the final retirement, redemption, or 2 defeasance of the obligations created pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife 3 Land Stamp and Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee 4 5 requirements provided for in this subsection shall terminate. 6 H. A person who is sixty-four (64) years of age shall be 7 eligible to purchase a senior citizen lifetime license issued pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of subsection B of this section 8 9 during the calendar year in which the person turns sixty-five (65) 10 years of age. I. The fee for a lifetime fishing license, a lifetime hunting 11 12 license, or a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license 13 issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 3 of subsection B of this 14 section for a legal resident under eighteen (18) years of age may be 15 paid for by installments not to exceed a three-year period of time 16 and in a manner determined by the Director. The lifetime license 17 shall not be issued and become valid until full payment is received 18 by the Department of Wildlife Conservation. If the entire amount of 19 the license fee is not received within three (3) years from the date 20 the application for installment payments is submitted to the 21 Department, all funds received shall be forfeited and shall not be 22 refunded. 23 24

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J. H. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall
 promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this
 section.

4 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-130, is 5 amended to read as follows:

6 Section 4-130. A. Except as otherwise provided in the Oklahoma 7 Wildlife Conservation Code, no person may hunt or take any waterfowl during the open season on waterfowl unless the person has first 8 9 obtained an Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license from the 10 Director or authorized agents of the Director. Each person shall 11 have the stamp or license in their possession when hunting or taking 12 any waterfowl. When a stamp is purchased, the stamp shall be 13 validated by the signature of the licensee written across the face 14 of the stamp.

B. Persons excepted from the Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license requirement of this section are:

17 1. Legal residents of Oklahoma under sixteen (16) eighteen (18)
18 years of age; and

Legal residents of Oklahoma sixty-five (65) years of age or
 older.

C. 1. The Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp fee and waterfowl license shall each be Nine Dollars (\$9.00). The remainder of the fee shall be deposited in the Wildlife Conservation Fund, to be used exclusively in the State of Oklahoma, for the purpose of developing, 1 managing, preserving, restoring and maintaining wetland habitats and 2 for the conservation and management of waterfowl and ecologically 3 related species. <u>be for:</u> 4 <u>1. Residents eighteen (18) years of age or older - Twenty</u> 5 Dollars (\$20.00); and

6 <u>2. Nonresidents eighteen (18) years of age or older - Thirty</u>
7 Dollars (\$30.00).

8 2. D. 1. The collection and remittance procedures applicable
9 to hunting license fees under this title shall apply to waterfowl
10 stamp or license fees.

3. 2. The waterfowl stamp or license issued pursuant to this
section shall expire on June 30 of each year.

13 D. E. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission may 14 prescribe, by regulation, the form, design and manner of issuance, 15 if any, of the waterfowl stamp, which could include the selection of 16 art for such stamp from an art contest regulated by the Commission. 17 E. F. 1. Any person arrested for hunting or taking any 18 waterfowl during the open season on waterfowl without a valid 19 Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license as required by the 20 provisions of subsection A of this section may purchase a substitute 21 temporary thirty-day stamp or license from the arresting game warden 22 in lieu of posting bond. Proof of hunter safety certification shall 23 not be required for the temporary substitute stamp or license. The

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1 fee for a substitute stamp or license purchased pursuant to the 2 provisions of this subsection shall be:

a. for legal residents - Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) One
 Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), and

5 6 b. for nonresidents - One Hundred Forty-five Dollars (\$145.00) One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00).

7 2. The fees from the temporary stamp and license purchased 8 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in 9 the Wildlife Conservation Fund, to be used exclusively in the State 10 of Oklahoma this state, for the purpose of developing, managing, 11 preserving, restoring and maintaining wetland habitats and for the 12 conservation and management of waterfowl and ecologically related 13 species.

14 F. G. Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions 15 of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Twenty-16 five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

17 G. H. Nothing in this title shall prohibit a person from
18 hunting waterfowl exclusively on their own property without an
19 Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license.

20 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-138, is 21 amended to read as follows:

Section 4-138. A. The <u>Oklahoma</u> Wildlife Conservation
 Commission may establish special use permits to be designated the:

24 1. "Annual Wildlife Conservation Passport"; and

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1 2. "Three-Day Wildlife Conservation Passport". 2 A Passport shall be required of all persons not otherwise exempt as provided for in subsection C of this section, who enter or use 3 4 land owned or managed by the Commission and that has been designated 5 by the Commission as requiring a Passport. The Commission may establish and assess: 6 в. 7 1. A fee of not more than One Dollar (\$1.00) Ten Dollars (\$10.00) above the cost of an annual resident hunting or fishing 8 9 license for residents and not more than Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) 10 above such cost for nonresidents for the Annual Wildlife 11 Conservation Passport; and 12 2. A fee of not more than Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) Twenty-five 13 Dollars (\$25.00) for residents and not more than Fifty Dollars 14 (\$50.00) for nonresidents for the Three-Day Wildlife Conservation 15 Passport. 16 Each person, not otherwise exempt as provided for in subsection 17 C of this section, entering or using a designated area of land shall 18 be required to have a Passport in their possession while in the 19 area. 20 The following persons shall be exempt from the Passport С. 21 requirements of this section: 22 1. All persons who possess a valid Oklahoma fishing, hunting or 23 combination license, a lifetime resident or nonresident fishing, 24

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hunting, or combination license, a senior citizen lifetime fishing
 or hunting license, or a disability fishing or hunting license;

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Persons under sixteen (16) eighteen (18) years of age; and
 Students and instructors participating in bona fide

educational tours or activities sponsored or organized by an
educational institution or entity or any other organized event
sanctioned in advance by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife
Conservation. Sponsors of such activities shall provide notice of
the date and number of persons participating in the activity to the
Department of Wildlife Conservation for approval not less than
twenty (20) days prior to the date of the activity.

D. 1. Any person arrested while violating the provisions of this section may purchase a temporary thirty-day license from the arresting game warden in lieu of posting bond. The fee for a substitute license purchased pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be:

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a. Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for legal residents of this state, and

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b. Ninety Dollars (\$90.00) One Hundred Seventy-five
 Dollars (\$175.00) for nonresidents.

21 2. The fees from licenses purchased pursuant to the provisions 22 of this subsection shall be deposited in the Wildlife Conservation 23 Fund to be used exclusively for developing, managing, preserving and 24 protecting wildlife and wildlife habitat.

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1	SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-140, is
2	amended to read as follows:
3	Section 4-140. A. Except as otherwise provided for in this
4	section, no person may hunt, pursue, trap, harass, catch, kill,
5	take, or attempt to take in any manner, use, have in possession,
6	sell, or transport all or any portion of any wildlife including fish
7	unless the person has first obtained an Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp
8	from the Director or any authorized agents of the Department of
9	Wildlife Conservation. Each person shall have the stamp in their
10	possession when hunting, fishing, or taking any wildlife.
11	B. Persons exempt from the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp
12	requirements of this section are:
13	1. Legal residents of Oklahoma under eighteen (18) years of
14	age;
15	2. Legal residents of Oklahoma sixty-five (65) years of age or
16	older;
17	3. Legal residents of Oklahoma who have a valid lifetime
18	fishing, hunting, or combination license;
19	4. Legal residents of Oklahoma who have a valid senior citizen
20	lifetime fishing, hunting or combination hunting and fishing
21	license;
22	5. Nonresidents holding a valid nonresident lifetime fishing
23	license;
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1	6. Legal residents and nonresidents who have acquired a license
2	pursuant to Section 4-110 or Section 4-128 of this title for fishing
3	in the area of Lake Texoma located within the state;
4	7. Nonresidents under sixteen (16) years of age from states
5	which do not require nonresident fishing licenses for persons under
6	sixteen (16) years of age;
7	8. Nonresidents sixty-four (64) years of age or older from
8	states which do not require nonresident fishing licenses for persons
9	sixty-four (64) years of age or older;
10	9. Legal resident veterans having a disability of sixty percent
11	(60%) or more and registered with the veterans registry created by
12	the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs; provided, that if the
13	veteran has previously received the exemption pursuant to this
14	paragraph, no registration with the veterans registry shall be
15	required;
16	10. Legal resident owners or tenants, their spouses, parents,
17	grandparents, children and their spouses, grandchildren and their
18	spouses who hunt on land owned or leased by them or fish in private
19	ponds on land owned or leased by them;
20	11. Any legal resident or nonresident who is a patient of an
21	institution of the State of Oklahoma established for the care and
22	treatment of mental illness or alcohol or drug dependency or any
23	developmentally disabled person residing in any group home or other
24	institution or developmentally disabled persons when accompanied by

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1 an attendant of such institution or legal guardian of said patient, 2 or when fishing on institutional property;

3	12. Any legal resident or nonresident who is legally blind or
4	who has any other physical impairment, as certified by a physician
5	licensed in this state or any state which borders this state, which
6	prevents the person from properly using fishing apparatus without
7	the assistance of another person, and any one person actually
8	accompanying and actually assisting such legally blind or otherwise
9	physically impaired person while the latter is fishing. This
10	certification shall be carried by the individual while fishing;
11	13. Nonresidents under fourteen (14) years of age;
12	14. Any legal resident or nonresident who is a Job Corps
13	traince of this state, provided that the trainces shall have on
14	their persons a duly authorized identification card issued by their
15	respective Job Corps Center and shall present the card upon request,
16	in lieu of a fishing license. The trainees shall return their cards
17	to their respective Job Corps Center when the trainees leave their
18	respective Job Corps training programs;
19	15. Any legal resident having a proven disability which renders
20	the resident nonambulatory and confined to a wheelchair as certified
21	by a physician licensed in this state or any state which borders
22	this state;
23	16. Any legal resident or nonresident who is fishing with a
24	pole and line, trotline, or throwline in streams, natural lakes,

1 natural ponds, and mine pits when using any bait other than
2 commercial or artificial bait, blood, stink bait, cut fish, and
3 shrimp; and

4 17. Any legal resident or nonresident hunting, pursuing,
5 trapping, harassing, catching, killing, taking, or attempting to
6 take in any manner any species of rattlesnake during an organized
7 rattlesnake hunting event or festival and who has a rattlesnake
8 permit issued pursuant to Section 4-143 of this title.

9 C. 1. Any fees received for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp 10 and required to be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund₇ 11 created in Section 4-141 of this title and any other money deposited 12 in the fund, shall be used exclusively for:

13	a.	the payment of bond debt and related expenses incurred
14		pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma
15		Statutes for the purchase of public hunting, fishing,
16		and trapping areas where the public may hunt, fish, or
17		trap as authorized by law or for the purchase, lease,
18		or purchasing of easements on real property to be used
19		as public hunting, fishing, and trapping areas, and
20	b.	the management of the real property acquired pursuant
21		to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes
22		or acquired with proceeds from the Oklahoma Wildlife
23		Land Stamp fee.

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1	2. The collection and remittance procedures applicable to
2	hunting license fees under this title shall apply to the Oklahoma
3	Wildlife Land Stamp fees.

3. The Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp issued pursuant to this 4 5 section for hunting licenses issued pursuant to paragraph 1 of 6 subsection C and paragraphs 1 and 3 of subsection E of Section 4-112 7 of this title and paragraphs 1 and 3 of subsection B of Section 4-113 of this title, shall expire on December 31. The Oklahoma 8 9 Wildlife Land Stamp issued pursuant to this section for hunting 10 licenses issued pursuant to paragraph 2 of subsection C and paragraphs 2 and 4 of subsection E of Section 4-112 of this title 11 12 and paragraphs 2 and 4 of subsection B of Section 4-113 of this 13 title, shall expire on June 30. 14 D. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall 15 prescribe, by rule, the form, design, and manner of issuance of the

16 Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp and any rules necessary to implement 17 the provisions of this section shall be transferred to an operation 18 fund.

SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-144, is amended to read as follows: Section 4-144. A. No person may hunt or take black bear

22 without having first procured a license from the Director of 23 Wildlife Conservation or an agent of the Director.

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B. The <u>Oklahoma</u> Wildlife Conservation Commission shall decide
 the open season, the bag limits, and territorial limitations for
 hunting or taking black bear.

4 C. The fees for a license issued pursuant to this section shall 5 be:

For legal residents, One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00); and
For nonresidents, Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

D. Any person who fails to obtain a license as required in
subsection A of this section and pay the fee as required in
paragraph 1 of subsection C of this section, upon conviction, shall
be punished by a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00)
nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in
the county jail for a period not to exceed six (6) months, or by
both said fine and imprisonment.

E. Any person who fails to obtain a license as required in subsection A of this section and pay the fee as required in paragraph 2 of subsection C of this section, upon conviction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed six (6) months, or by both said such fine and imprisonment.

22 <u>F. A resident in possession of a lifetime hunting license or a</u> 23 <u>lifetime combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to the</u> 24 provisions of Section 7 of this act prior to and after the effective

1	date of this act shall be exempt from the annual black bear license
2	requirement of subsection A of this section.
3	SECTION 11. REPEALER 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-112, as
4	last amended by Section 1, Chapter 347, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp.
5	2022, Section 4-112), is hereby repealed.
6	SECTION 12. This act shall become effective July 1, 2024.
7	SECTION 13. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
8	of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
9	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
10	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.
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