

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL 447

6 By: Boren

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8 An Act relating to state property; permitting  
9 residents to forage for nuts and edible plants or  
10 fungi on state-owned or state-managed property;  
11 providing exceptions; limiting times for foraging  
12 during certain seasons; encouraging certain apparel  
13 during foraging; defining terms; providing for  
14 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
17 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 335 of Title 61, unless there is  
18 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

19 A. Any person may forage for nuts and edible plants or fungi on  
20 state-owned or state-managed property for personal use and not for  
21 resale except when such nuts and other edible plants or fungi are:

22 1. From crops certified by the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment  
23 Station system or the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service of the  
24 Oklahoma State University Division of Agricultural Sciences and

1 Natural Resources, as provided in Section 8-33 of Title 2 of the  
2 Oklahoma Statutes;

3 2. Located on state-owned or University-owned test or research  
4 farms;

5 3. On property otherwise restricted for access by state or  
6 federal law; or

7 4. From plants that are threatened or endangered.

8 B. 1. Any person foraging pursuant to this section on a state  
9 or federal wildlife refuge or a Wildlife Management Area shall limit  
10 his or her foraging to between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.  
11 during those months coinciding with hunting seasons when the gun is  
12 a legal means of take.

13 2. Any person foraging pursuant to this section is encouraged  
14 to wear an outer garment of hunter orange that is clearly visible  
15 while in the field.

16 C. As used in this section:

17 1. "State-owned or state-managed property" means property owned  
18 or managed by an agency, municipality, or political subdivision of  
19 this state, unless otherwise stated in subsection A of this section;

20 2. "Edible plant or fungus" means a plant or fungus commonly  
21 found in the wild, which is edible to humans in part or in its  
22 entirety and may require cooking to make safe for consumption; and

23 3. "Nut" means a dry fruit that has a single seed, a hard  
24 shell, and a protective husk.

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SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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