

SENATE CHAMBER

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

DISPOSITION

FLOOR AMENDMENT

No. 1

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

(Date)

I move to amend Senate Bill No. 753, by the attached floor substitute (Request #1963) for the title, enacting clause, and entire body of the measure.

Submitted by:

Justin Deevers
Senator Deevers

I hereby grant permission for the floor substitute to be adopted.

Cay Murdock
Senator Murdock, Chair (required)

Roland Pederson
Senator Pederson

Senator Bullard

George Burns
Senator Burns

Senator Green

Senator Grellner

Senator Paxton, President Pro Tempore

Senator Hicks

Senator Kern

Senator Nice

Dora Prieto
Senator Prieto

Senator Wingard

Senator Woods

Senator Daniels, Majority Floor Leader

Note: Agriculture and Wildlife committee majority requires seven (7) members' signatures.

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(Floor Amendments Only)

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1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 753

By: Deevers of the Senate

and

West (Rick) of the House

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9 FLOOR SUBSTITUTE

10 [invasive woody species control - rates -
11 inspections - violations - resources - contests of
12 findings - promulgation of rules - codification -
13 effective date]

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

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
16 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-9-100 of Title 27A, unless
17 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
19 Invasive Woody Species Stewardship for State-Leased Lands Act".

20 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-9-101 of Title 27A, unless
22 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. As used in this act, "invasive woody species" means a native
24 or non-native tree or shrub species that threatens and causes harm

1 to the environment, water resources, or economy. Invasive woody
2 species include, but are not limited to, Juniperus virginiana
3 (Eastern Redcedar), Juniperus scopulorum (Rocky Mountain juniper),
4 Juniperus monosperma (oneseed juniper), and Tamarix ramosissima
5 (salt cedar).

6 B. As established in the Oklahoma Constitution, the
7 Commissioners of the Land Office are responsible for the management
8 of the permanent school fund and the management of trust assets for
9 the exclusive purpose of providing maximum benefits of current and
10 future beneficiaries. Invasive woody species threaten to, and have
11 caused harmed to, the environment, water resources, and the economy,
12 including having caused harm to and devaluing the trust assets and
13 the permanent school fund. Invasive woody species are likely to
14 cause further harm to and further devalue the Office's trust assets
15 of the permanent school fund. In order to protect and maintain the
16 value of trust assets of the permanent school fund, and to manage
17 trust assets for the benefit of current and future beneficiaries,
18 the Office is hereby authorized to remove and manage invasive woody
19 species as provided in this act.

20 C. By December 15 of each year, the Office shall identify and
21 prioritize trust lands that have been harmed and devalued by
22 invasive woody species and shall submit a management plan to the
23 Oklahoma Conservation Commission, outlining the strategy that the
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1 Commissioners of the Land Office intend to employ for the removal
2 and ongoing maintenance of invasive woody species on trust lands.

3 D. The Office shall be authorized to:

4 1. Enter into programs run by, in coordination with, or in
5 contract with the Oklahoma Conservation Commission, other state or
6 federal agencies, or entities lawfully engaging in prescribed burns
7 for the removal and management of invasive woody species;

8 2. Contract with vendors for the removal and management of
9 invasive woody species;

10 3. Contract with its lessee for the removal and management of
11 invasive woody species; and

12 4. Engage in any other lawful activity for the removal and
13 management of invasive woody species.

14 E. By February 15 each year, the Commissioners of the Land
15 Office shall submit electronically a report to the Legislature
16 detailing the actions taken and the program made under the
17 provisions of this act.

18 F. Beginning in fiscal year 2026, and each subsequent fiscal
19 year, the Commissioners of the Land Office shall expend no greater
20 than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) to carry out the provisions
21 of this act. The Office may also receive state resources through
22 coordination with the Oklahoma Conservation Commission or other
23 state agencies.

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1 G. The Commissioners of the Land Office shall promulgate all
2 rules necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

3 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.
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