

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 March 3, 2025

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 447

By: Boren

6 [ state property - nuts and edible plants or fungi -  
7 exceptions - times for foraging - promulgation of  
8 rules - codification - effective date ]

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

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

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

16 1. From crops certified by the Oklahoma Agricultural Experiment  
17 Station system or the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service of the  
18 Oklahoma State University Division of Agricultural Sciences and  
19 Natural Resources, as provided in Section 8-33 of Title 2 of the  
20 Oklahoma Statutes;

21 2. Located on state-owned or University-owned test or research  
22 farms;

23 3. On property otherwise restricted for access by state or  
24 federal law; or

1 4. From plants that are threatened or endangered.

2 B. 1. Any person foraging pursuant to this section on a state  
3 or federal wildlife refuge or Wildlife Management Area shall limit  
4 his or her foraging to days and times authorized by the Oklahoma  
5 Wildlife Conservation Commission.

6 2. The Commission shall promulgate all rules necessary to  
7 implement the provisions of this section.

8 C. As used in this section:

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

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

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

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

18 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND WILDLIFE  
19 March 3, 2025 - DO PASS AS AMENDED BY CS