

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2096

By: Menz and Waldron of the  
House

6 and

7 Murdock of the Senate

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10 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

11 An Act relating to wildlife; authorizing the  
12 Department of Wildlife Conservation to establish the  
13 Deer Management Assistance Program Plus (DMAP+);  
14 allowing for voluntary participation in DMAP+ by  
15 certain individuals; requiring the Department to  
16 prepare certain forms and application for  
17 participation; establishing criteria for  
18 participation; prohibiting individuals from certain  
19 provisions; establishing fees; requiring participants  
20 to submit certain report to the Department by certain  
21 time; providing for promulgation of rules; providing  
22 for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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

24 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-316 of Title 29, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1       A. The Department of Wildlife Conservation is hereby authorized  
2 to establish the Deer Management Assistance Program Plus (DMAP+).  
3 DMAP+ shall be a voluntary wildlife management program administered  
4 by the Department to provide private landowners, hunting clubs, or  
5 lease operators with an extended deer gun season and a regulated  
6 harvest quota system aimed at improving deer herd structure, habitat  
7 sustainability, and overall population management. Individuals  
8 participating in this program shall be required to adhere to  
9 property-specific harvest plans established by state biologists,  
10 comply with quota-based harvest limitations, and pay an enrollment  
11 fee as provided for in this section.

12       B. The Department shall provide all necessary forms and  
13 applications for individuals seeking to participate in DMAP+.  
14 Individuals participating in DMAP+ shall:

- 15       1. Own or manage no fewer than one thousand (1,000) contiguous  
16 acres;
- 17       2. Submit a completed application to the Department for  
18 enrollment; and
- 19       3. Comply with all management guidelines as determined by the  
20 Department.

21       C. DMAP+ shall allow for an extended deer gun season for  
22 enrolled properties, as follows:

- 23       1. Antlered deer rifle season beginning November 1 and ending  
24 December 31 each year; and

1        2. Antlerless deer rifle season beginning October 1 and ending  
2 January 15 of the following year.

3        D. Each DMAP+ property shall be subject to certain harvest  
4 requirements as established by the Department. Individuals who  
5 exceed the established harvest requirements shall be in violation of  
6 this subsection. Violations are subject to penalties as prescribed  
7 by the Department.

8        E. The annual fee for participation in DMAP+ shall be as  
9 follows:

10        1. For properties between one thousand (1,000) acres and five  
11 thousand (5,000) acres - One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars  
12 (\$1,500.00); and

13        2. For properties exceeding five thousand (5,000) acres - Two  
14 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).

15        F. Landowners participating in DMAP+ shall electronically  
16 submit an annual report to the Department detailing the number, age,  
17 and sex of deer harvested on the enrolled property. Failure to  
18 submit the report within thirty (30) days of the conclusion of each  
19 designated season may result in suspension or removal from DMAP+  
20 participation.

21        G. The Department shall promulgate all rules necessary for the  
22 implementation of this section.

23        SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
24 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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