

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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

3 HOUSE BILL 2896

By: Townley

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S.  
8 2021, Section 4-114, as amended by Section 6, Chapter  
9 6, O.S.L. 2024 (29 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 4-114),  
10 which relates to lifetime fishing and combination  
11 hunting and fishing licenses; creating lifetime  
12 nonresident fishing and combination hunting and  
13 fishing licenses; establishing requirements for  
14 license; providing license fee; providing an  
15 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

17 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-114, as  
18 amended by Section 6, Chapter 6, O.S.L. 2024 (29 O.S. Supp. 2024,  
19 Section 4-114), is amended to read as follows:

20 Section 4-114. A. All legal residents who have resided in the  
21 state for at least six (6) months and intend to remain residents,  
22 and nonresidents who have owned real property in the state for at  
23 least six (6) months may purchase lifetime fishing licenses or  
24 lifetime combination hunting and fishing licenses from the State  
Wildlife Conservation Director.

B. The fee for these licenses for legal residents shall be:

1 1. Lifetime fishing license, Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars  
2 (\$375.00);

3 2. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing license, One  
4 Thousand Twenty-four Dollars (\$1,024.00);

5 3. Senior citizen lifetime fishing license for persons sixty-  
6 five (65) years of age or older, Thirty Dollars (\$30.00); and

7 4. Senior citizen lifetime combination hunting and fishing  
8 license for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Sixty  
9 Dollars (\$60.00).

10 C. ~~Legal~~ For nonresidents who own real property in this state,  
11 the license fees shall be as follows: The fee for these licenses  
12 for nonresidents who own real property in the state shall be:

13 1. Lifetime fishing license, Three Thousand Dollars  
14 (\$3,000.00);

15 2. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing license, Seven  
16 Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00);

17 3. Senior citizen lifetime fishing license for persons sixty-  
18 five (65) years of age or older, Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00); and

19 4. Senior citizen lifetime combination hunting and fishing  
20 license for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Four  
21 Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).

22 D. A resident having proper certification from the United  
23 States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor certifying  
24 that the person is a disabled veteran and registered with the

1 veterans registry created by the Oklahoma Department of Veterans  
2 Affairs may purchase a disability lifetime combination hunting and  
3 fishing license from the State Wildlife Conservation Director. The  
4 fees for the license shall be as follows:

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

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

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

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

19 ~~F.~~ G. A lifetime licensee shall not lose the privileges of such  
20 license by a subsequent transfer of residency.

21 ~~G.~~ H. A person who is sixty-four (64) years of age shall be  
22 eligible to purchase a senior citizen lifetime license issued  
23 pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of ~~subsection~~ subsections B and C

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1 of this section during the calendar year in which the person turns  
2 sixty-five (65) years of age.

3 ~~H.~~ I. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall  
4 promulgate any rules necessary to implement the provisions of this  
5 section.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025.

7 SECTION 3. 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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