An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2618  
By: Martin (Steve) of the House  
and  
Fields of the Senate

An Act relating to game and fish; prohibiting persons from capturing nuisance wildlife for commercial purposes without a nuisance wildlife control operator permit; requiring completion of the nuisance wildlife control operator certification examination; exempting certain persons from permit and testing requirements; setting the annual fee for the permit; providing penalty for violations; authorizing revocation of permit for violations; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Nuisance wildlife

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 4-135.1 of Title 29, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Except as otherwise provided in this title, no person shall trap, capture, possess, transport, relocate or euthanize any nuisance wildlife for commercial purposes under rules promulgated by the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission without first procuring a nuisance wildlife control operator permit from the Director of Wildlife Conservation.

B. A nuisance wildlife control operator permit may be issued only to those persons who have successfully completed the nuisance wildlife control operator certification examination provided by the Department of Wildlife Conservation.
C. Employees of any federal, state, county or local
governmental entity designated to control nuisance wildlife while on
duty shall be exempt from the nuisance wildlife control operator
permit and testing requirements set forth in this section.

D. The annual fee for the nuisance wildlife control operator
permit shall be Seventy-five Dollars ($75.00).

E. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this
section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not
less than One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) nor more than Two Hundred
Dollars ($200.00) for residents and not less than Five Hundred
Dollars ($500.00) for nonresidents.

F. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this
section may have his or her nuisance wildlife control operator
permit revoked for a period of up to three (3) years or permanently
revoked as deemed appropriate by the Director.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2014.
Passed the House of Representatives the 26th day of February, 2014.

[Signature]
Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 15th day of April, 2014.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 16\textsuperscript{th} day of \textbf{April}, 2014, at 3:20 o'clock P.M.

By: [Signature]

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 22\textsuperscript{nd} day of \textbf{April}, 2014, at 2:58 o'clock P.M.

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Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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