

An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 3135

By: Jackson of the House

and

Schulz of the Senate

An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-112, which relates to hunting licenses; adding quail to game excluded from five-day nonresident hunting license; and declaring an emergency.

SUBJECT: Hunting licenses

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-112, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-112. A. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code or the Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae Act, no person may hunt, pursue, trap, harass, catch, kill, take or attempt to take in any manner, use, have in possession, sell, or transport all or any portion of any wildlife except fish, without having first procured a license from the Department of Wildlife Conservation. The Wildlife Conservation Commission shall designate a consecutive Saturday and Sunday in September of each year as free hunting days in which residents of this state may hunt without first procuring a hunting license pursuant to the provisions of this section.

B. The following legal residents of Oklahoma shall be exempt from the annual hunting license requirement of paragraph 1 of subsection E of this section and the following nonresidents shall be exempt from the annual nonresident hunting licenses required pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection C of this section:

1. Legal residents under sixteen (16) years of age;

2. Legal residents sixty-five (65) years of age or older provided they have obtained a senior citizen lifetime hunting or combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-114 of this title;

3. Legal residents born on or before January 1, 1923;

4. Legal resident veterans having a disability of sixty percent (60%) or more;

5. Legal resident owners or tenants who hunt on land owned or leased by them;

6. Any nonresident under fourteen (14) years of age;

7. Legal residents having a proven disability which renders them nonambulatory and confines them to a wheelchair, as certified by a physician licensed in this state or in any state which borders this state;

8. Any legal resident or nonresident under eighteen (18) years of age who is in the physical custody of a child care facility as defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

9. Any legal resident or nonresident hunting, pursuing, trapping, harassing, catching, killing, taking, or attempting to take in any manner any species of rattlesnake during an organized rattlesnake-hunting event or festival and who has a rattlesnake permit issued pursuant to Section 4-143 of this title.

C. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code, the nonresident hunting licenses issued pursuant to this section and the fee for each license shall be:

1. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk or bear which expires on December 31 of the year purchased - One Hundred Forty-one Dollars (\$141.00). Nonresidents hunting big game or combination big game and upland game in a commercial hunting area shall be required to have this license;

2. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk or bear which expires on June 30 of the

fiscal year purchased - One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00). Nonresidents hunting big game or combination big game and upland game in a commercial hunting area shall be required to have this license;

3. Gun hunting license for deer for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer gun season - Two Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars (\$279.00);

4. Archery hunting license for deer for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer archery season - Two Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars (\$279.00);

5. Primitive firearms hunting license for deer for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer primitive firearms season - Two Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars (\$279.00);

6. Hunting license for antelope for nonresidents - Three Hundred Five Dollars (\$305.00);

7. Hunting license for elk for nonresidents - Three Hundred Five Dollars (\$305.00);

8. Five-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk, quail, turkey or bear - Seventy-four Dollars (\$74.00); and

9. Ten-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting small game in a commercial hunting area - Five Dollars (\$5.00).

D. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of subsection C of this section:

1. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee of each license issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 7 of subsection C of this section and Two Dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) of the license fee for each license issued pursuant to paragraph 8 of subsection C of this section shall be deposited in the Wildlife Land Acquisition Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-132 of this title; and

2. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee for each license issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 8 of subsection C of this

