

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2518

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S.
8 2011, Section 4-114, which relates to lifetime
9 hunting and fishing licenses; adding residency
10 requirement for a lifetime hunting or fishing
11 license; and declaring an emergency.

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

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-114, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 4-114. A. All legal residents who have resided in the
16 state for at least six (6) months and intend to remain residents may
17 purchase lifetime fishing licenses, lifetime hunting licenses or
18 lifetime combination hunting and fishing licenses from the State
19 Wildlife Conservation Director.

20 B. The fee for these licenses shall be:

- 21 1. Lifetime fishing license, Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00);
22 2. Lifetime hunting license, Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00);
23 3. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing license, Seven
24 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00);

1 4. Senior citizen lifetime hunting license for persons sixty-
2 five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00);

3 5. Senior citizen lifetime fishing license for persons sixty-
4 five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00); and

5 6. Senior citizen lifetime combination hunting and fishing
6 license for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Twenty-
7 five Dollars (\$25.00).

8 C. Legal resident having proper certification from the United
9 States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor certifying
10 that the person is a disabled veteran may purchase a disability
11 lifetime combination hunting and fishing license from the State
12 Wildlife Conservation Director. The fees for the license shall be
13 as follows:

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

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

18 D. The use of the licenses provided in this section are subject
19 to those restrictions provided by statute and the regulations of the
20 Wildlife Conservation Commission. Except as otherwise provided for
21 in this section, each lifetime hunting license issued pursuant to
22 subsections B and C of this section shall be in lieu of all annual
23 hunting licenses and all special season permits.

1 E. Should any lifetime license be lost or destroyed, a
2 duplicate will be issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation
3 for a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00).

4 F. A lifetime licensee shall not lose the privileges of such
5 license by a subsequent transfer of residency.

6 G. 1. In addition to the fees imposed pursuant to paragraphs 1
7 through 3 of subsection B of this section, a person purchasing a
8 lifetime fishing, hunting or combination license, excluding a senior
9 citizen lifetime hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing
10 license issued pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of subsection B of
11 this section and a disability lifetime combination hunting and
12 fishing license issued pursuant to subsection C of this section,
13 shall be required to purchase a Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land
14 Stamp. Each person shall have the stamp in their possession while
15 hunting, fishing, or taking any wildlife. The fee for the Lifetime
16 Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).
17 The fee for the stamp shall be distributed as follows:

18 a. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) from each stamp shall be
19 deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created
20 in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used to retire
21 the obligations and related expenses as authorized
22 pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma
23 Statutes or to purchase, lease, or purchase easements
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1 on real property to be used as public hunting,
2 fishing, and trapping areas, and

3 b. Five Dollars (\$5.00) from each stamp shall be
4 deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created
5 in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used by the
6 Commission for management of the real property
7 acquired pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the
8 Oklahoma Statutes or acquired with proceeds from the
9 Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee.

10 2. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall
11 prescribe, by rule, the form, design, and manner of issuance of the
12 Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp.

13 3. Within one (1) year of the final retirement, redemption, or
14 defeasance of the obligations created pursuant to Section 168.9 of
15 Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife
16 Land Stamp and Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee
17 requirements provided for in this subsection shall terminate.

18 H. A person who is sixty-four (64) years of age shall be
19 eligible to purchase a senior citizen lifetime license issued
20 pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of subsection B of this section
21 during the calendar year in which the person turns sixty-five (65)
22 years of age.

23 I. The fee for a lifetime fishing license, a lifetime hunting
24 license, or a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license

1 issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 3 of subsection B of this
2 section for a legal resident under eighteen (18) years of age may be
3 paid for by installments not to exceed a three-year period of time
4 and in a manner determined by the Director. The lifetime license
5 shall not be issued and become valid until full payment is received
6 by the Department of Wildlife Conservation. If the entire amount of
7 the license fee is not received within three (3) years from the date
8 the application for installment payments is submitted to the
9 Department, all funds received shall be forfeited and shall not be
10 refunded.

11 SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
12 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
13 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
14 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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