

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 928

BY: CAPPS and CULLISON of the
SENATE

and

WIDENER of the HOUSE

AN ACT RELATING TO THE OKLAHOMA APIARY ACT;
AMENDING 2 O.S. 1991, SECTION 3-113, WHICH
RELATES TO MIGRATORY BEEKEEPERS; RESTRICTING
APPLICABILITY OF REGISTRATION PROVISIONS;
CLARIFYING WHAT IS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED;
DECLARING INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE; PROVIDING
FOR NONCODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 2 O.S. 1991, Section 3-113, is amended to read as follows:

Section 3-113. A. Migratory beekeepers who move colonies of bees into this state shall be required to register with the State Board of Agriculture annually, on a form provided by the Board, for all seasonal or permanent locations of their apiaries. The registrant shall provide the Board by March 15 of each year:

1. ~~with the~~ The legal description of the location where the bees are and/or are to be located;
2. ~~the~~ The exact direction of the location of the bees from the nearest town;
3. ~~the~~ The location of the bees within a town; and
4. ~~the~~ The name of the owner or manager of the property where the bees are and/or are to be located.

B. A migratory beekeeper shall not locate an apiary closer than two (2) miles to an established apiary. Provided any resident of this state may establish an apiary on his farm, acreage, or home lot which is adjacent to another apiary. An annual fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be charged for the registration of each migratory beekeeper required to register pursuant to this section.

SECTION 2. It is the intent of the Legislature that prior to adopting any rules restricting or regulating the movement of or otherwise affecting Africanized honeybees, such rules shall be reviewed with regard to their impact upon the various types of honeybees in Oklahoma. Any such rules shall reflect the type of impact of the rules on Oklahoma honeybees.

SECTION 3. Section 2 shall not be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 4. This act shall become effective September 1, 1992.
Passed the Senate the 5th day of May, 1992.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 18th day of May, 1992.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives