

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 792

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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to wildlife; amending 29 O.S. 1991, Section 4-107, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 402, O.S.L. 1992 (29 O.S. Supp. 1993, Section 4-107), which relates to commercial wildlife breeder's license; providing for certain exceptions; prohibiting sale of cats or bears to certain persons; removing certain exceptions; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 1991, Section 4-107, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 402, O.S.L. 1992 (29 O.S. Supp. 1993, Section 4-107), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-107. A. Except as otherwise provided for in this title, no person may breed, possess or raise native wildlife, except fish, amphibians, reptiles or aquatic invertebrates, for commercial purposes without having first procured a license for such from the Director.

B. No person licensed under this section may sell cats or bears to any person who does not possess a commercial wildlife breeder's license or noncommercial wildlife breeder's license.

C. Such license may be issued to any person whom the Director believes to be acting in good faith, and whom he believes does not intend to use such license for the purpose of violating any of the laws of the State of Oklahoma, and who proves that the brood stock he uses will be obtained in a lawful manner.

~~C.~~ D. Without exception, any person shall be licensed under this section who keeps or maintains on premises any bear or cat that will grow to reach the weight of fifty (50) pounds or more and shall at all times keep such wildlife confined, controlled and

restrained in such manner so the life, limb or property of any person lawfully entering such premises shall not be endangered.

~~D. Persons excepted from the license requirements of this section are resident owners or lessees who seine minnows upon their premises, or places where permission is granted, and sell such minnows from a place of business upon their property.~~

E. The fees for a license under this section, and all renewals of such license, shall be ~~Forty-eight Dollars (\$48.00)~~ Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

F. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00); and, if applicable, shall have his wildlife license revoked. No such person whose license has been revoked shall be eligible to obtain a new license until after the date on which the revoked license would have expired.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective September 1, 1994.

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