

ENGROSSED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 1429

By: Erwin, Leist and Tyler  
of the House

and

Shurden and Bell of the  
Senate

An Act relating to game and fish; directing the Department of Wildlife Conservation to establish a preference point system for certain hunts; stating rationale for system; stating the procedure for the system and granting preference; providing for disqualification for certain successful applicants; authorizing the Department to promulgate rules to implement system; limiting application of preference system to certain hunts for disabled persons; providing for codification; and declaring an emergency.

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 3-314 of Title 29, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. In order that the limited number of licenses available for special or limited hunts of certain species of wildlife be more fairly distributed among the applicants, the Department of Wildlife Conservation shall establish a preference point system. The preference point system shall automatically give preference to each

applicant who properly applies for a limited license and is unsuccessful in the initial drawing for a license. Preference shall be given to the unsuccessful applicant by allowing the applicant to submit an extra application during the next application period and each subsequent period as long as the applicant continues to submit an application or until the applicant is successfully drawn. If an applicant is successfully drawn for a limited license for a controlled hunt at a site the applicant shall either be disqualified from applying for the next controlled hunt drawing at that site or for a longer period if the Department requires a longer disqualification period.

B. The Department shall promulgate rules pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act to implement the preference point system.

C. The requirements of this section shall not apply to or affect any category of hunts which are limited to disabled persons.

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

Passed the House of Representatives the 15th day of March, 1995.

Speaker of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1995.

President of the Senate