

ENROLLED HOUSE
BILL NO. 2292

By: Adair of the House

and

Shurden of the Senate

An Act relating to open records; prohibiting the release of certain information relating to hunting and fishing licenses; allowing information to be used for certain purposes; giving public bodies access to information under certain circumstances; exempting certain commercial license information; providing for codification; providing an effective date; 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 24A.23 of Title 51, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall keep confidential the information provided by persons, including the name and address of the person, applying for or holding any permit or license issued by the Department, to the extent the information individually identifies the person. The Department may use the information for Department purposes or allow the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to use the information for survey purposes only. The Department shall allow any public body to have access to the information for purposes specifically related to the public bodies function.

B. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not apply to information provided by persons applying for or holding a commercial hunting or fishing license.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1996.

SECTION 3. 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 6th day of March, 1996.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 1st day of April, 1996.

President of the Senate