

ENROLLED HOUSE  
BILL NO. 2520

By: Staggs of the House

and

Weedn and Shurden of the  
Senate

An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S. 1991, Section 5-209, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 54, O.S.L. 1997 (29 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 5-209), which relates to hunting provisions; authorizing the Director of the Department of Wildlife Conservation to issue certain lifetime permit; allowing crossbow permits to be renewed every five years; establishing cost for lifetime crossbow permits; providing for validity of certain permit for certain time period; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 1991, Section 5-209, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 54, O.S.L. 1997 (29 O.S. Supp. 1997, Section 5-209), is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-209. A. The Director of the Department of Wildlife Conservation may issue a lifetime permit for the hunting or taking of wildlife by the use of a crossbow to applicants, otherwise qualified, who have a permanent disability to the extent that they cannot physically use a conventional longbow, as certified by a ~~medical doctor~~ duly physician licensed to practice medicine in this state or in any state which borders this state. Holders of such a crossbow permit ~~shall~~ may renew the permit every five (5) years. The for Five Dollars (\$5.00) or pay the cost and renewal cost for a lifetime crossbow permit which shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00) Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

B. ~~The Director may issue a lifetime~~ Any crossbow permit only to amputees with the complete loss of at least the thumb or first finger of the bow hand or the index, first and ring finger of the draw hand. The cost issued by the Director before July 1, 1998, shall continue to be valid until the expiration date on the permit. After expiration, the applicant may apply for a lifetime crossbow permit shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00).

C. Any crossbow permit shall also allow any such permittee to take deer by crossbow according to Department rules during legal open archery deer season.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 1998.

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 21st day of April, 1998.

Speaker

of the House of  
Representatives

Passed the Senate the 31st day of March, 1998.

President

of the Senate