

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 46th Legislature (1997)

HOUSE BILL NO. 1537

By: Hutchison

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S. 1991, Section 4-103, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 318, O.S.L. 1994 (29 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 4-103), which relates to commercial fishing licenses; clarifying statutory cites; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 1991, Section 4-103, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 318, O.S.L. 1994 (29 O.S. Supp. 1996, Section 4-103), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-103. A. No person may take for commercial purposes, by the use of nets, traps, seines and other similar devices, nongame fish from the waters of this state without having first procured a license for such from the Director.

B. Prior to the issuance of each license, the applicant must file with the Director:

1. A true inventory of the equipment to be utilized in the operations of that fisherman;

2. Under special management or research conditions, the Commission may require a good and sufficient surety bond to the

Department, by a surety company licensed to do business in this state, in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) conditioned upon the observance and the compliance with the provisions of this section and Sections 6-201 and 6-202 of this ~~Code~~ title, which bond shall be subject to forfeiture upon the conviction of the violation of any of the provisions of this ~~Code~~ title, as provided in paragraph 2, subsection F of Section 4-101 of this ~~Code~~ title.

C. The fee for a license under this section shall be Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) for residents and Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for nonresidents of the State of Oklahoma.

D. 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) nor more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

E. Commercial fishermen whose licenses have been revoked under subsection F of Section 4-101 of this ~~Code~~ title may not engage in commercial fishing operations in any manner during such revocation.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 1997.

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