

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 2226

6 By: Smithson

7 SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

8 An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S.
9 2001, Sections 5-209, 5-210 and 5-211, which relate
10 to hunting with a crossbow; allowing legal residents
11 over a certain age to hunt with a crossbow;
12 clarifying statutory language; and declaring an
13 emergency.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2001, Section 5-209, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Section 5-209. A. The Director of the Department of Wildlife
18 Conservation may permit the hunting or taking of wildlife by the use
19 of a crossbow by persons, otherwise qualified, who ~~have~~:

20 1. Have a permanent disability to the extent that they cannot
21 physically use a conventional longbow, as certified by a physician
22 licensed to practice medicine in this state or in any state which
23 borders this state. A person who qualifies to use a crossbow
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1 pursuant to this paragraph shall have in their possession while in
2 the field, written evidence of ~~such~~ the certification; or

3 2. Are legal residents of Oklahoma and are fifty-five (55)
4 years of age or older.

5 B. Any crossbow permit shall also allow ~~any such~~ the permittee
6 to take deer by crossbow according to Department rules during legal
7 open archery deer season.

8 C. Upon the request of a person holding a crossbow permit
9 issued by the Director before July 1, 2000, the Department shall
10 send to the person a copy of the physician-issued certificate on
11 file for that person.

12 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2001, Section 5-210, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 5-210. ~~Except for the provisions of this act as~~
15 otherwise authorized in Section 5-209 of this title, the use of the
16 crossbow shall be prohibited in the hunting, taking or attempting to
17 take of any wildlife.

18 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2001, Section 5-211, is
19 amended to read as follows:

20 Section 5-211. Any person convicted of violating the provisions
21 of Section ~~2~~ 5-210 of this ~~act~~ title shall be punished by a fine of
22 not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than Five Hundred
23 Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for not
24 more than thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

1 SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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