

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 1275

By: Gumm of the Senate

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7 An Act relating to game and fish; authorizing certain
8 persons to sell certain items under certain
9 circumstances; stating requirements; providing for
10 notification; adding definition; providing for
11 codification; and providing an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-411.1 of Title 29, unless
15 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. Any taxidermist may sell any unclaimed specimen left in his
17 or her possession in excess of six (6) months following notification
18 by telephone that the specimen is completed provided that such
19 person complies with the following requirements:

20 1. Each taxidermist shall keep on file the name, address,
21 hunting license number, and any other information as may be required
22 by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation relating to the
23 owner of the unclaimed specimen;

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1 2. Each taxidermist shall provide to the hunter who brings in a
2 specimen a form to read as follows: "When your specimen is
3 finished, you will be notified by telephone that your specimen is
4 ready for pick up. If you do not pick up and pay any balances on
5 your specimen within six (6) months after that call, Oklahoma law
6 allows taxidermists to sell any unclaimed specimen to recover costs
7 in preparing the specimen."; and

8 3. Each taxidermist may sell the unclaimed specimen for an
9 amount not to exceed the original price for mounting, preserving,
10 tanning, or otherwise preparing the unclaimed specimen and any cost
11 for notification, and shall only sell the unclaimed specimen to
12 legal residents of Oklahoma.

13 B. As used in this section, "taxidermist" means a person who,
14 for consideration, mounts, preserves, or otherwise prepares the body
15 of any bird, animal, or fish, or any other part thereof, for
16 display.

17 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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