

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1312

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to game and fish; making licensees
8 under the Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae Act subject to
9 certain requirements; providing penalties; providing
10 for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 7-209A of Title 29, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife
16 Conservation Code, owners and operators of farmed cervidae
17 facilities licensed pursuant to the Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae Act,
18 shall comply with the following requirements:

19 1. Fencing shall be at least twelve (12) foot of welded or
20 woven wire or cyclone fence and the top two feet of the twelve-foot-
21 fence can be barbed wire, and must be fenced in a way to prevent
22 licensed wildlife from escaping and big game animals belonging to
23 the state from entering and be capable of retaining animals within
24 the specified area.

1 2. Signage to be used on a commercial hunting area must be
2 metal signs, or other weather-proof material, be at least twenty
3 four inches by twelve inches in size with a white background with
4 red lettering. Signs shall be posted at all corners and entrances
5 and along the boundary at two hundred yard intervals and must be
6 placed facing outside on boundary lines.

7 3. Signs on a commercial hunting area must contain the wording,
8 "Commercial Hunting Area Licensed by the Oklahoma Department of
9 Wildlife Conservation". The signs must also display the commercial
10 hunting area license number for the area on the same side of the
11 sign as the mandated wording.

12 4. Enclosure of areas for the hunting of wildlife other than
13 birds must be preceded by a drive throughout the area in the
14 presence of the Department of Wildlife Conservation employees to
15 make a reasonable effort to ensure that any wild whitetail or mule
16 deer, elk, antelope, or other big game, are not present on the area.
17 No wild whitetail or mule deer, elk, antelope, or other big game are
18 to be introduced into the area after the final inspection. An
19 inventory shall be kept by the Department of any remaining game
20 animals and the owner or operator shall pay fair market value for
21 all remaining game animals to the Department.

22 5. Commercial hunting areas to be hunted must be inspected and
23 approved every three (3) months by personnel of the Department and
24 all records, and facilities, of such areas shall be available for

1 inspection at all reasonable times by authorized representatives of
2 the Department and the Oklahoma Department of Food, Forestry, and
3 Agriculture. The Department of Food, Forestry, and Agriculture may
4 request blood or meat samples or both blood and meat samples may be
5 collected from all deer and elk killed. The samples shall be sent
6 to their Department for further inspection.

7 B. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this
8 section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five Hundred
9 Dollars (\$500.00) and not more than One Thousand Five Hundred
10 Dollars (\$1,500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail not to
11 exceed sixty (60) days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

12 C. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this
13 section shall have the commercial hunting area license revoked. No
14 new license shall be issued for a period of six (6) months from and
15 after the date on which the revocation order becomes effective.

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

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