

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 27, 2012

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 1178

By: Allen of the Senate

and

Bennett of the House

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9 [wildlife - fees for bear hunting licenses -
10 effective date - emergency]

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-144, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 4-144. A. No person may hunt or take black bear
17 without having first procured a license from the Director of
18 Wildlife Conservation or an agent of the Director.

19 B. The Wildlife Conservation Commission shall decide the open
20 season, the bag limits, and territorial limitations for hunting or
21 taking black bear.

22 C. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, any resident of
23 this state who has a lifetime hunting license or a lifetime
24 combination hunting and fishing license issued by the Director of

1 Wildlife Conservation or an agent of the Director before July 1,
2 2012, shall not be required to attach a tag to a killed black bear.

3 D. The fees for a license issued pursuant to this section shall
4 be:

5 1. For legal residents, One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00); and

6 2. For nonresidents, Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

7 ~~D.~~ E. Any person who fails to obtain a license as required in
8 subsection A of this section and pay the fee as required in
9 paragraph 1 of subsection ~~E~~ D of this section, upon conviction,
10 shall be punished by a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars
11 (\$200.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by
12 imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed six (6)
13 months, or by both ~~said~~ fine and imprisonment.

14 ~~E.~~ F. Any person who fails to obtain a license as required in
15 subsection A of this section and pay the fee as required in
16 paragraph 2 of subsection ~~E~~ D of this section, upon conviction,
17 shall be punished by a fine of not less than Eight Hundred Dollars
18 (\$800.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by
19 imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed six (6)
20 months, or by both ~~said~~ fine and imprisonment.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2012.

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

3 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TOURISM & WILDLIFE, dated 2-14-12
4 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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