

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1416

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to hunting and fishing licenses;
8 amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-114, which relates
9 to lifetime hunting and fishing licenses; providing
10 for free or discounted licenses for certain veterans;
11 providing an effective date; and declaring an
12 emergency.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-114, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 4-114. A. All legal residents who have resided in the
17 state for at least six (6) months may purchase lifetime fishing
18 licenses, lifetime hunting licenses or lifetime combination hunting
19 and fishing licenses from the State Wildlife Conservation Director.

20 B. The fee for these licenses shall be:

- 21 1. Lifetime fishing license, Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00);
- 22 2. Lifetime hunting license, Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00);
- 23 3. Lifetime combination hunting and fishing license, Seven
24 Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00);

1 4. Senior citizen lifetime hunting license for persons sixty-
2 five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00);

3 5. Senior citizen lifetime fishing license for persons sixty-
4 five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00); and

5 6. Senior citizen lifetime combination hunting and fishing
6 license for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Twenty-
7 five Dollars (\$25.00).

8 C. Legal ~~resident~~ residents having proper certification from
9 the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor
10 ~~certifying that the person is a disabled veteran may purchase a~~
11 ~~disability~~ may receive a free or discounted lifetime combination
12 hunting and fishing license from the State Wildlife Conservation
13 Director. ~~The fees for the license shall be as follows:~~

14 1. ~~Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for veterans having a~~
15 ~~disability of less than sixty percent (60%); and~~

16 2. ~~Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for veterans having a~~
17 ~~disability of sixty percent (60%) or more~~ Persons who have proper
18 documentation certifying that they were deployed in a combat zone
19 may receive a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license from
20 the State Wildlife Conservation Director at no cost;

21 2. Persons who have proper documentation certifying that they
22 are a disabled veteran with a disability of less than sixty percent
23 (60%) may receive a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license
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1 from the State Wildlife Conservation Director for Two Hundred
2 Dollars (\$200.00);

3 3. Persons who have proper documentation certifying that they
4 are a disabled veteran with a disability of sixty percent (60%) or
5 more may receive a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license
6 from the State Wildlife Conservation Director for Twenty-five
7 Dollars (\$25.00); and

8 4. Persons who have proper documentation certifying that they
9 are a veteran but who were not deployed in a combat zone or who are
10 not a disabled veteran may receive a lifetime combination hunting
11 and fishing license from the State Wildlife Conservation Director
12 for Three Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$325.00).

13 D. The use of the licenses provided in this section are subject
14 to those restrictions provided by statute and the regulations of the
15 Wildlife Conservation Commission. Except as otherwise provided for
16 in this section, each lifetime hunting license issued pursuant to
17 subsections B and C of this section shall be in lieu of all annual
18 hunting licenses and all special season permits.

19 E. Should any lifetime license be lost or destroyed, a
20 duplicate will be issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation
21 for a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00).

22 F. A lifetime licensee shall not lose the privileges of such
23 license by a subsequent transfer of residency.

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1 G. 1. In addition to the fees imposed pursuant to paragraphs 1
2 through 3 of subsection B of this section, a person purchasing a
3 lifetime fishing, hunting or combination license, excluding a senior
4 citizen lifetime hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing
5 license issued pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of subsection B of
6 this section and a disability lifetime combination hunting and
7 fishing license issued pursuant to subsection C of this section,
8 shall be required to purchase a Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land
9 Stamp. Each person shall have the stamp in their possession while
10 hunting, fishing, or taking any wildlife. The fee for the Lifetime
11 Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).
12 The fee for the stamp shall be distributed as follows:

13 a. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) from each stamp shall be
14 deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created
15 in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used to retire
16 the obligations and related expenses as authorized
17 pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma
18 Statutes or to purchase, lease, or purchase easements
19 on real property to be used as public hunting,
20 fishing, and trapping areas, and

21 b. Five Dollars (\$5.00) from each stamp shall be
22 deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created
23 in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used by the
24 Commission for management of the real property

1 acquired pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the
2 Oklahoma Statutes or acquired with proceeds from the
3 Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee.

4 2. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission shall
5 prescribe, by rule, the form, design, and manner of issuance of the
6 Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp.

7 3. Within one (1) year of the final retirement, redemption, or
8 defeasance of the obligations created pursuant to Section 168.9 of
9 Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife
10 Land Stamp and Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee
11 requirements provided for in this subsection shall terminate.

12 H. A person who is sixty-four (64) years of age shall be
13 eligible to purchase a senior citizen lifetime license issued
14 pursuant to paragraphs 4 through 6 of subsection B of this section
15 during the calendar year in which the person turns sixty-five (65)
16 years of age.

17 I. The fee for a lifetime fishing license, a lifetime hunting
18 license, or a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license
19 issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 3 of subsection B of this
20 section for a legal resident under eighteen (18) years of age may be
21 paid for by installments not to exceed a three-year period of time
22 and in a manner determined by the Director. The lifetime license
23 shall not be issued and become valid until full payment is received
24 by the Department of Wildlife Conservation. If the entire amount of

1 the license fee is not received within three (3) years from the date
2 the application for installment payments is submitted to the
3 Department, all funds received shall be forfeited and shall not be
4 refunded.

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

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

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