1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018)
3	COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4	FOR SENATE BILL 1488 By: Kidd
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8	An Act relating to the Wildlife Conservation Code; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-114, as amended by
9	Section 1, Chapter 112, O.S.L. 2014 (29 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 4-114), which relates to hunting and
10	fishing lifetime licenses; creating the lifetime landowner hunting license; establishing parameters
11	and fees; allowing for transfer of license after certain time; requiring Department of Wildlife
12	Conservation to promulgate rules; and providing an effective date.
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
16	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-114, as
17	amended by Section 1, Chapter 112, O.S.L. 2014 (29 O.S. Supp. 2017,
18	Section 4-114), is amended to read as follows:
19	Section 4-114. A. All legal residents who have resided in the
20	state for at least six (6) months and intend to remain residents may
21	purchase lifetime fishing licenses, lifetime hunting licenses,
22	lifetime landowner hunting licenses or lifetime combination hunting
23	and fishing licenses from the State Wildlife Conservation Director;
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1 provided, that nonresidents may also purchase a lifetime landowner
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2 <u>hunting license</u>.

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- B. The fee for these licenses shall be:
- 4 1. Lifetime fishing license, Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00);
- 5 | 2. Lifetime hunting license, Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00);
- 6 3. Lifetime landowner hunting license for any tract of land
- 7 | five hundred (500) up to one thousand (1,000) acres, Fifty Thousand
- 8 Dollars (\$50,000.00);
- 9 4. Lifetime landowner hunting license for any tract of land one
- 10 thousand (1,000) acres or more, Seventy-five Thousand Dollars
- 11 (\$75,000.00);
- 12 <u>5.</u> Lifetime combination hunting and fishing license, Seven
- 13 | Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00);
- 14 4. 6. Senior citizen lifetime hunting license for persons
- 15 | sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00);
- 16 5. 7. Senior citizen lifetime fishing license for persons
- 17 | sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00); and
- 18 6. 8. Senior citizen lifetime combination hunting and fishing
- 19 license for persons sixty-five (65) years of age or older, Twenty-
- 20 | five Dollars (\$25.00).
- 21 C. Legal resident having proper certification from the United
- 22 | States Department of Veterans Affairs or its successor certifying
- 23 | that the person is a disabled veteran may purchase a disability
- 24 lifetime combination hunting and fishing license from the State

1 Wildlife Conservation Director. The fees for the license shall be 2 as follows:

- 1. Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for veterans having a disability of less than sixty percent (60%); and
- 2. Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for veterans having a disability of sixty percent (60%) or more.

- D. The use of the licenses provided in this section are subject to those restrictions provided by statute and the regulations of the Wildlife Conservation Commission. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, each lifetime hunting license issued pursuant to subsections B and C of this section shall be in lieu of all annual hunting licenses and all special season permits.
- E. Should any lifetime license be lost or destroyed, a duplicate will be issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation for a fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00).
- F. A lifetime licensee, except for the lifetime landowner hunting license, shall not lose the privileges of such license by a subsequent transfer of residency.
- G. 1. In addition to the fees imposed pursuant to paragraphs 1 through  $\frac{3}{5}$  of subsection B of this section, a person purchasing a lifetime fishing, hunting, landowner hunting or combination license, excluding a senior citizen lifetime hunting, fishing or combination hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to paragraphs  $\frac{4}{6}$  through  $\frac{6}{8}$  of subsection B of this section and a disability

lifetime combination hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to subsection C of this section, shall be required to purchase a Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp. Each person shall have the stamp in their possession while hunting, fishing, or taking any wildlife. The fee for the Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00). The fee for the stamp shall be distributed as follows:

- a. Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) from each stamp shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used to retire the obligations and related expenses as authorized pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes or to purchase, lease, or purchase easements on real property to be used as public hunting, fishing, and trapping areas, and
- b. Five Dollars (\$5.00) from each stamp shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund, created in Section 4-141 of this title, to be used by the Commission for management of the real property acquired pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes or acquired with proceeds from the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee.

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

- 3. Within one (1) year of the final retirement, redemption, or defeasance of the obligations created pursuant to Section 168.9 of Title 73 of the Oklahoma Statutes, the Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp and Lifetime Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp fee requirements provided for in this subsection shall terminate.
- H. A person who is sixty-four (64) years of age shall be eligible to purchase a senior citizen lifetime license issued pursuant to paragraphs  $4 \underline{6}$  through  $6 \underline{8}$  of subsection B of this section during the calendar year in which the person turns sixty-five (65) years of age.
- I. The fee for a lifetime fishing license, a lifetime hunting license, or a lifetime combination hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 3, 2 and 5 of subsection B of this section for a legal resident under eighteen (18) years of age may be paid for by installments not to exceed a three-year period of time and in a manner determined by the Director. The lifetime license shall not be issued and become valid until full payment is received by the Department of Wildlife Conservation. If the entire amount of the license fee is not received within three (3) years from the date the application for installment payments is

submitted to the Department, all funds received shall be forfeited and shall not be refunded.

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J. Lifetime landowner hunting licenses shall be available for purchase by a recorded owner of a tract of land at least five hundred (500) acres in size and located in Oklahoma. The licenses shall only be valid for hunting on the land for which the lifetime landowner license was issued. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall issue up to twenty landowner licenses for tracts of land five hundred (500) up to one thousand (1,000) acres in size and forty licenses for tracts of land one thousand (1,000) acres or more to the landowner. The landowner may designate and assign licenses to other persons whom are authorized to hunt on his or her land for which the licenses were issued, provided, that each license shall only be assigned to one person per year. The landowner shall submit a yearly report to the Department. All licenses issued pursuant to this subsection, where the landowner has owned the land for seven (7) consecutive years, shall run with the land and shall automatically be transferred upon a change of ownership of the affected property within the chain of title of which the licenses have been recorded. All rights, privileges, obligations and responsibilities specified in the licenses eligible to be transferred shall be transferred to the new landowner upon recording of the changed ownership. The Department of Wildlife Conservation

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