

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.:	HB 2395
Version:	CS
Request Number:	7875
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Impact:	ODWC: FY-18: Per the agency, impact is anticipated to be revenue neutral.

Research Analysis

The CS for HB 2395 modifies the residency definition to include minors who are in joint custody. The measure also divides commercial hunting areas licenses into two categories: The annual fee for big game commercial hunting area license is \$250. A combination upland and big game commercial hunting area license is \$350. The measure requires a hunting license for nonresidents and residents hunting big game, combination big game and upland game, or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area. Current law requires tags for wildlife killed at commercial hunting areas; the measure caps the tag at \$10, with an exception for female deer, whose tags have no fee.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure, per the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife (ODWC), will reduce the annual fee associated with licensing a commercial hunt property for big game from and combination big game and upland game. The bill adds a lower-cost license option for nonresidents hunting in commercial hunt areas by allowing them to use the 5-day nonresident hunting license when hunting in a commercial hunt area. The bill adds the requirement that all hunters carry a license when hunting exotic wildlife in a commercial hunt area. The bill adds the requirement that all exotic wildlife harvested in a commercial hunt area be tagged and limits the cost of the tags to \$10. The measure eliminates the fee for tags used on females of the cervidae family harvested at commercial hunt areas. Impact, per the agency, is anticipated to be revenue neutral.

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Other Considerations

None.