

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 56th Legislature

Bill No.:	SB 615
Version:	CS
Request Number:	7601
Author:	Rep. Roberts
Date:	4/25/2017
Impact:	ODWC: FY-18: Anticipated annual negative \$102,300 fiscal impact to agency. (ODWC unappropriated)

Research Analysis

The CS for SB 615 allows hunting of feral swine on private property, without a license, at night, with a vehicle and spotlight, while using night-vision equipment. If it is deer gun season, those hunting feral swine are required to notify the game warden. The measure also allows for removal of feral swine on public property in accordance with the administrative rules of the Wildlife Department. The measure clarifies residency status of minors. The measure repeals the special permit that is required for private property owners to kill/attempt to kill depredating feral swing during deer gun and primitive firearm season.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation estimates the measure will allow a surveyed number of approximately 5,115 feral hog hunters to become exempt from purchasing a deer firearms license when hunting hogs during “firearms” season. Per ODWC, those individual deer firearm license have a cost of \$20/each. Based on these numbers, the agency estimates a negative annual fiscal impact of \$102,300. (ODWC unappropriated)

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Other Considerations

None.