

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 59th Legislature (2023)

SENATE BILL 352

By: Murdock

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to fish and wildlife; amending 29 O.S. 2021, Section 5-213, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 253, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 5-213), which relates to air bows; removing type of take necessary for certain use; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 5-213, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 253, O.S.L. 2022 (29 O.S. Supp. 2022, Section 5-213), is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-213. A. The use of crossbows and conventional longbows with a device that permits the bow to be held mechanically at full or partial draw, shall be a legal hunting method during any open season when conventional longbows are a legal means of take.

B. The use of air bows shall be a legal hunting method during any open season ~~when rifles are a legal means of take~~. No person may hunt or take during the open season with an air bow unless the person has first obtained a stamp issued by the Oklahoma Wildlife

1 Conservation Commission for a one-time fee of Twenty Dollars
2 (\$20.00).

3 C. At such time as the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act
4 is amended to expand the excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition
5 to include air bows and air guns, the stamp pursuant to subsection B
6 of this section shall no longer be required, and authorization for
7 the continual use of air bows as a legal means of take shall be
8 established by rules promulgated by the Commission.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2023.

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

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