

1 ENGROSSED SENATE AMENDMENT  
TO

2 ENGROSSED HOUSE  
3 BILL NO. 3462

By: Archer and Moore of the  
House

4 and

5 Green of the Senate

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8 An Act relating to live game; creating the Chronic  
9 Wasting Disease Genetic Improvement Act, providing  
10 for reference; requiring creation of certain pilot  
11 program by certain date; establishing program's  
12 purpose to enhance genetic durability of Oklahoma  
13 deer against chronic wasting disease; establishing  
14 program at the Department of Agriculture, Food, and  
15 Forestry; requiring certain assistance of the  
16 Oklahoma Department of Wildlife; requiring collection  
17 of DNA samples; requiring certain procedures and  
18 determinations; requiring program be administered in  
19 quadrants of the state; providing for the  
20 establishments of quadrants; limiting participation  
21 in program; providing for certain timeline of program  
22 activity; authorizing the promulgation of rules;  
23 providing for a one time permit fee; and providing an  
24 effective date.

AUTHOR: Add the following Senate Coauthor: Bullard

AMENDMENT NO. 1. Page 1, strike the title, enacting clause and  
entire bill and insert

"An Act relating to live game; creating the Chronic  
Wasting Disease Genetic Improvement Act; providing  
short title; requiring creation of certain pilot  
program by certain date; establishing program's  
purpose to enhance genetic durability of Oklahoma

1 deer against chronic wasting disease; establishing  
2 program at the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture,  
3 Food, and Forestry; requiring certain assistance of  
4 the Department of Wildlife Conservation; requiring  
5 collection of DNA samples; requiring certain  
6 procedures and determinations; allowing for the  
7 establishment of testing locations; limiting  
8 participation in program; providing for certain  
9 timeline of program activity; authorizing the  
10 promulgation of rules; providing for a one-time  
11 permit fee; providing for codification; and providing  
12 an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-520 of Title 2, unless there  
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Chronic  
18 Wasting Disease Genetic Improvement Act".

19 B. No later than November 1, 2024, the Oklahoma Department of  
20 Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall establish a pilot program to  
21 enhance the genetic durability of Oklahoma deer against chronic  
22 wasting disease. Such pilot program shall include, but not be  
23 limited to, the following program characteristics:

24 1. The Department of Wildlife Conservation will begin  
collecting DNA samples to establish a baseline of average genetic  
codon markers and genomic breeding values for native, free-ranging  
Oklahoma while-tailed deer. For establishing testing locations in  
the state, the Department shall use Interstates 35 and 40 as

1 dividing lines or established Department deer management zones as  
2 published in the current hunting regulations guide;

3 2. Limit participation in the program to native white-tailed  
4 deer, born and raised in Oklahoma with genetic resistance breeding,  
5 including the SS allele at codon 96, and that surpass the genomic  
6 estimated breeding value cutoff established for the program by the  
7 Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry; and

8 3. Beginning in 2026, during the months of February and March  
9 and through the 15th of April, bred female and male deer may be  
10 released.

11 C. The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry  
12 and the Department of Wildlife Conservation may promulgate rules as  
13 needed to implement the provisions of this act.

14 D. The Department of Wildlife Conservation may charge a one-  
15 time permit fee, which shall not exceed Five Hundred Dollars  
16 (\$500.00), for citizens purchasing deer as a result of criteria  
17 established in the pilot program.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 2024.”  
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1 Passed the Senate the 24th day of April, 2024.

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4 Presiding Officer of the Senate

5 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
6 2024.

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

24 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-520 of Title 2, unless there  
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Chronic  
Wasting Disease Genetic Improvement Act".

B. No later than November 1, 2024, the Department of  
Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall establish a pilot program to

1 enhance the genetic durability of Oklahoma deer against chronic  
2 wasting disease. Such pilot program shall include, but not be  
3 limited to, the following program characteristics:

4 1. With the assistance of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife,  
5 provide for the collection of DNA samples to establish a baseline of  
6 average genetic codon markers and genomic breeding values for  
7 Oklahoma deer in each quadrant of the state. For purposes of  
8 establishing quadrants of the state, the Department shall use  
9 Interstates 35 and 40 as dividing lines for such quadrants;

10 2. Limit participation in the program to native cervid, born  
11 and raised in Oklahoma with genetic resistance breeding, including  
12 the SS allele at codon 96, and that surpass the genomic estimated  
13 breeding value cutoff established for the program by the Department  
14 of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry;

15 3. Beginning in 2025, during the month of October buck deer  
16 with antlers removed beyond the second antler tine may be released;

17 4. Beginning in 2026, during the months of February, March, and  
18 through the 15th of April, bred female deer may be released.

19 C. The Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry and the  
20 Oklahoma Department of Wildlife may promulgate rules as needed to  
21 implement the provisions of this act.

22 D. The Oklahoma Department of Wildlife may charge a one time  
23 permit fee, which shall not exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00),  
24 for citizens purchasing deer for the pilot program.

