

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

4 FOR

5 HOUSE BILL NO. 4086

By: Wallace

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8 An Act relating to wildlife; increasing certain ages  
9 for certain exemptions; requiring certain licenses at  
10 certain ages; creating certain licenses for specific  
11 residencies; determining price of certain licenses;  
12 and providing an effective date.

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

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2021, Section 4-130, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 A. Except as otherwise provided in the Oklahoma Wildlife  
17 Conservation Code, no person may hunt or take any waterfowl during  
18 the open season on waterfowl unless the person has first obtained an  
19 Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license from the Director or  
20 authorized agents of the Director. Each person shall have the stamp  
21 or license in their possession when hunting or taking any waterfowl.  
22 When a stamp is purchased, the stamp shall be validated by the  
23 signature of the licensee written across the face of the stamp.

1 B. Persons excepted from the Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp  
2 or license requirement of this section are:

3 1. Legal residents of Oklahoma under ~~sixteen (16)~~ eighteen (18)  
4 years of age; and

5 2. Legal residents of Oklahoma sixty-five (65) years of age or  
6 older.

7 C. ~~1.~~ The Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp fee and waterfowl  
8 license shall each be ~~Nine Dollars (\$9.00)~~. ~~The remainder of the~~  
9 ~~fee shall be deposited in the Wildlife Conservation Fund, to be used~~  
10 ~~exclusively in the State of Oklahoma, for the purpose of developing,~~  
11 ~~managing, preserving, restoring and maintaining wetland habitats and~~  
12 ~~for the conservation and management of waterfowl and ecologically~~  
13 ~~related species~~ be for:

14 1. Residents eighteen (18) years of age or older - Twenty  
15 Dollars (\$20.00); and

16 2. Nonresidents eighteen (18) years of age or older - Thirty  
17 Dollars (\$30.00).

18 ~~2.~~ D. 1. The collection and remittance procedures applicable  
19 to hunting license fees under this title shall apply to waterfowl  
20 stamp or license fees.

21 ~~3.~~ 2. The waterfowl stamp or license issued pursuant to this  
22 section shall expire on June 30 of each year.

23 ~~D.~~ E. The Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission may  
24 prescribe, by regulation, the form, design and manner of issuance,

1 if any, of the waterfowl stamp, which could include the selection of  
2 art for such stamp from an art contest regulated by the Commission.

3 ~~E.~~ F. 1. Any person arrested for hunting or taking any  
4 waterfowl during the open season on waterfowl without a valid  
5 Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license as required by the  
6 provisions of subsection A of this section may purchase a substitute  
7 temporary thirty-day stamp or license from the arresting game warden  
8 in lieu of posting bond. Proof of hunter safety certification shall  
9 not be required for the temporary substitute stamp or license. The  
10 fee for a substitute stamp or license purchased pursuant to the  
11 provisions of this subsection shall be:

- 12 a. for legal residents - Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), and
- 13 b. for nonresidents - One Hundred Forty-five Dollars  
14 (\$145.00).

15 2. The fees from the temporary stamp and license purchased  
16 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in  
17 the Wildlife Conservation Fund, to be used exclusively in the State  
18 of Oklahoma, for the purpose of developing, managing, preserving,  
19 restoring and maintaining wetland habitats and for the conservation  
20 and management of waterfowl and ecologically related species.

21 ~~F.~~ G. Any person convicted of violating any of the provisions  
22 of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Twenty-  
23 five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

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1        ~~G.~~ H. Nothing in this title shall prohibit a person from  
2 hunting waterfowl exclusively on their own property without an  
3 Oklahoma waterfowl hunting stamp or license.

4            SECTION 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 2024.

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