

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 8, 2024

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
4 FOR ENGROSSED  
5 HOUSE BILL NO. 4086

By: Wallace of the House

and

Bullard of the Senate

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9 An Act relating to wildlife; authorizing the  
10 Department of Wildlife Conservation to produce  
11 certain study; requiring distribution of report to  
12 the Legislature and Governor; specifying geographic  
13 location for study; allowing the Department to use  
14 certain sources for data; permitting Department to  
15 enter into certain agreements to assist in data  
16 collection; allowing for Department to make  
17 recommendations; providing for codification; and  
18 providing an effective date.

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

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3-316 of Title 29, unless there  
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall produce an elk  
24 population study to be presented electronically to the Legislature  
and the Governor within one (1) year of the effective date of this  
act.

1 B. The study shall be used to determine Oklahoma's elk  
2 population in southeastern Oklahoma. The study may incorporate  
3 information available in other sources, such as studies produced by  
4 collegiate or federal resources, into an analysis of Oklahoma's elk  
5 population. The Department may also enter into agreements with  
6 other agencies, organizations operating in this state, or tribal  
7 governments to assist with the production of this study.

8 C. The study may include recommendations by the Department for  
9 the conservation of Oklahoma elk populations.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.

11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND WILDLIFE  
12 April 8, 2024 - DO PASS AS AMENDED BY CS

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