

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 18, 2019

3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 541

6 By: Murdock

7 [game - Department of Wildlife Conservation -
8 pronghorn antelope - requirements for harvesting -
9 codification - effective date]

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

12 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
13 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-416 of Title 29, unless there
14 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

15 A. Beginning in 2020, the Department of Wildlife Conservation
16 shall conduct experimental pronghorn antelope hunting seasons.
17 Landowners, or their designated agents, may determine the harvest
18 quota of pronghorn antelope and control the harvest of pronghorn
19 antelope on their property. The Department shall determine the
20 regions for the experimental pronghorn antelope hunting seasons on a
21 county by county basis as the pronghorn antelope migrate.

22 B. Hunters may obtain, at no cost, experimental pronghorn
23 antelope permits at locations provided by the Department before
24 harvesting pronghorn antelope during the experimental season.

1 Hunters shall obtain the landowner or their designated agent's
2 signature on the permit before harvesting pronghorn antelope.
3 Hunters shall present their harvest at a mandatory check station,
4 provided by the Department, within twenty-four (24) hours of
5 harvest.

6 C. The Department shall monitor the pronghorn antelope
7 population during the experimental pronghorn antelope hunting
8 seasons to ensure populations remain healthy. If a significant
9 negative biological impact is observed, the Department shall end the
10 experimental seasons.

11 D. The Department shall promulgate rules to enforce the
12 provisions of this act.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

14 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND WILDLIFE
15 February 18, 2019 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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