1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT TΟ 2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 879 By: Allen of the Senate 3 and 4 Tadlock of the House 5 6 An Act relating to trapping; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-201, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 7 165, O.S.L. 2016 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 5-201), which relates to the means of taking wildlife; adding exception; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-405, 8 which relates to furbearers; providing for trapping 9 pursuant to rules promulgated by the Commission; removing exception; removing requirement to sell or 10 dispose of pelts in a certain amount of time; repealing 29 O.S. 2011, Sections 5-501, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 and 5-502, as 11 last amended by Section 3, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 12 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018, Sections 5-501 and 5-502), which relate to permission to trap on inhabited lands and 1.3 trapping devices; and providing an effective date. 14 15 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Delete the title, enacting clause and entire bill and replace with: 16 17 "An Act relating to game and fish; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-112, as last amended by Section 3, 18 Chapter 353, O.S.L. 2017 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 4-112), which relates to hunting licenses; 19 increasing certain license fees; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-201, as last amended by Section 2, 20 Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2016 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 5-201), which relates to the means of taking 21 wildlife; adding exception; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-405, which relates to furbearers; 22 providing for trapping pursuant to rules promulgated by the Commission; removing exception; removing 23 requirement to sell or dispose of pelts in a certain

amount of time; amending 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-

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combination licenses; decreasing certain license fee; creating annual landowner combination license; providing persons for which the license may be assigned; restricting validity of license to certain land; establishing fee; providing limit for the amount of licenses issued; authorizing the Department of Wildlife Conservation to require verification; requiring the Department to promulgate rules; repealing 29 O.S. 2011, Sections 5-501, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 and 5-502, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018, Sections 5-501 and 5-502), which relate to permission to trap on inhabited lands and trapping devices; and providing an effective date.

29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-112, as

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SECTION 1.

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

AMENDATORY

2018, Section 4-112), is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-112. A. Except as otherwise provided for in the
Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Code or the Oklahoma Farmed Cervidae
Act, no person may hunt, pursue, trap, harass, catch, kill, take or
attempt to take in any manner, use, have in possession, sell, or
transport all or any portion of any wildlife except fish, without
having first procured a license from the Department of Wildlife
Conservation. The Wildlife Conservation Commission shall designate
a consecutive Saturday and Sunday in September of each year as free
hunting days in which residents of this state may hunt without first
procuring a hunting license pursuant to the provisions of this

last amended by Section 3, Chapter 353, O.S.L. 2017 (29 O.S. Supp.

- 1 The following legal residents of Oklahoma shall be exempt from the annual hunting license requirement of paragraph 1 of subsection F of this section and the following nonresidents shall be exempt from the annual nonresident hunting licenses required pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection C of this section:
 - 1. Legal residents under sixteen (16) years of age;
 - Legal residents sixty-five (65) years of age or older provided they have obtained a senior citizen lifetime hunting or combination hunting and fishing license pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-114 of this title;
 - 3. Legal residents born on or before January 1, 1923;
- 12 4. Legal resident veterans having a disability of sixty percent 13 (60%) or more;
 - 5. Legal resident owners or tenants who hunt on land owned or leased by them;
 - 6. Any nonresident under fourteen (14) years of age;
 - Legal residents having a proven disability which renders them nonambulatory and confines them to a wheelchair, as certified by a physician licensed in this state or in any state which borders this state;
- 21 Any legal resident or nonresident under eighteen (18) years 22 of age who is in the physical custody of a child care facility as 23 defined by Section 402 of Title 10 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

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9. Any legal resident or nonresident hunting, pursuing, trapping, harassing, catching, killing, taking, or attempting to take in any manner any species of rattlesnake during an organized rattlesnake-hunting event or festival and who has a rattlesnake permit issued pursuant to Section 4-143 of this title.

- C. Except as otherwise provided for in the Oklahoma Wildlife
 Conservation Code, the nonresident hunting licenses issued pursuant
 to this section and the fee for each license shall be:
- 1. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk or bear which expires on December 31 of the year purchased One Hundred Forty-one Dollars (\$141.00) One Hundred Sixty-one Dollars (\$161.00). Nonresidents hunting big game, combination big game and upland game or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be required to have this license;
- 2. Annual hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk or bear which expires on June 30 of the fiscal year purchased One Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$175.00)

 One Hundred Ninety-five Dollars (\$195.00). Nonresidents hunting big game, combination big game and upland game or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be required to have this license;
 - 3. Gun hunting license for deer:
 - a. during deer gun seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for youth nonresidents seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be valid for hunting one

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- b. during deer gun seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for youth nonresidents seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be valid for hunting one antlered or antlerless deer allowed during the current calendar year deer gun season - Ninety-nine Dollars (\$99.00),
- c. during deer gun seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer gun season - Two Hundred Ninety-nine Dollars (\$299.00), and
- d. during any deer gun season occurring on or after January 16, 2021, for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer gun season - Two Hundred Seventynine Dollars (\$279.00);
- 4. Archery hunting license for deer for nonresidents which shall expire on January 15 of the calendar year after the year purchased or, if purchased during the deer archery season, it shall expire at the end of that deer archery season:
 - a. during deer archery seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for youth nonresidents seventeen (17) years

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- c. during deer archery seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current deer archery season - Two Hundred Ninety-nine Dollars (\$299.00), and
- d. during any deer archery season occurring on or after January 16, 2021, for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current deer archery season - Two Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars (\$279.00);
- 5. Primitive firearms hunting license for deer for:
 - a. during deer primitive firearms seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for youth nonresidents seventeen (17) years of age or younger which shall be valid for hunting one antlerless deer allowed during the current

calendar year deer primitive firearms season - Thirty

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- c. during deer primitive firearms seasons occurring prior to January 16, 2021, for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer primitive firearms season - Two Hundred Ninety-nine Dollars (\$299.00), and
- d. during any deer primitive firearms season occurring on or after January 16, 2021, for nonresidents which shall be valid for hunting all deer allowed during the current calendar year deer primitive firearms season -Two Hundred Seventy-nine Dollars (\$279.00);
- 6. Hunting license for antelope for nonresidents Three Hundred Five Dollars (\$305.00);
- 7. Hunting license for elk for nonresidents Three Hundred Five Dollars (\$305.00);
- 8. Five-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk, quail, turkey or bear Seventy-four

- Dollars (\$74.00). Nonresidents hunting big game, combination big game and upland game or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be required to have this license; and
 - 9. Ten-day hunting license for nonresidents hunting small game in a commercial hunting area Five Dollars (\$5.00).
 - D. The Department of Wildlife Conservation shall provide a report to both the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1 of 2019 and 2020 setting forth information regarding licenses issued pursuant to paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of subsection C of this section, which shall include, but not be limited to:
 - 1. The number of licenses issued during the most recent respective deer hunting seasons; and
 - 2. A fiscal analysis comparing revenue generated from the fees of the licenses issued during the most recent respective deer hunting seasons compared to previous years and whether the deer hunting license structure is beneficial to the Department.
 - E. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of subsection C of this section:
 - 1. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee of each license issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 7 of subsection C of this section and Two Dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) of the license fee for each license issued pursuant to paragraph 8 of subsection C of this section shall be deposited in the Wildlife Land Acquisition

1 Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-132 of this 2 title; and

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- 2. Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee for each license issued pursuant to paragraphs 1 through 8 of subsection C of this section shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp and shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title.
- F. Except as otherwise provided, the resident hunting licenses issued pursuant to this section and the fee for each license shall be:
- 1. Annual hunting license for residents eighteen (18) years of

 12 age and older which expires on December 31 of the year purchased
 13 Twenty-four Dollars (\$24.00);
 - 2. Annual hunting license for residents eighteen (18) years of age and older which expires on June 30 of the fiscal year purchasedThirty-one Dollars (\$31.00);
 - 3. Annual hunting license for residents sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age which expires on December 31 of the year purchased Four Dollars (\$4.00);
- 4. Annual hunting license for residents sixteen (16) or
 seventeen (17) years of age which expires on June 30 of the fiscal
 year purchased Six Dollars (\$6.00);
- 5. Ten-day hunting license for residents for small game in a commercial hunting area Five Dollars (\$5.00);

- 1 6. Five-year disability hunting license for residents of this 2 state for at least six (6) months who are receiving Social Security Disability benefits, Supplemental Security Income benefits or 3 4 disability benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act, 45 U.S.C.A., 5 Section 231a, or residents who are one-hundred-percent disabled and are receiving disability payments from the Multiple Injury Trust 6 7 Fund pursuant to Section 31 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes -Ten Dollars (\$10.00); 8
 - 7. Gun hunting license for deer for residents eighteen (18) years of age or older Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00). The following persons shall be exempt:
 - a. residents with proper certification from the United

 States Department of Veterans Affairs or its

 successor, certifying that the person is a disabled

 veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundredpercent rate, and
 - b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game and upland game commercial hunting areas;
 - 8. Gun hunting license for deer for residents under eighteen
 (18) years of age Nine Dollars (\$9.00);
 - 9. Archery hunting license for deer for residents eighteen (18) years of age or older Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00). The following persons shall be exempt:

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 - b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game and upland game commercial hunting areas;
 - 10. Archery hunting license for deer for residents under eighteen (18) years of age Nine Dollars (\$9.00);
 - 11. Primitive firearms hunting license for deer for residents eighteen (18) years of age or older Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00). The following persons shall be exempt:
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 veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundredpercent rate, and
 - b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game and upland game commercial hunting areas;
 - 12. Primitive firearms hunting license for deer for residents under eighteen (18) years of age Nine Dollars (\$9.00);
 - 13. Hunting license for elk for residents Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Residents hunting in big game or combination big game and

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- 1 upland game commercial hunting areas shall be exempt from this 2 license;
 - 14. Hunting license for antelope for residents Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). Residents hunting in big game or combination big game and upland game commercial hunting areas shall be exempt from this license; and
 - 15. Bonus, special or additional gun hunting license for deer for residents Nineteen Dollars (\$19.00). The following persons shall be exempt:
 - a. residents with proper certification from the United

 States Department of Veterans Affairs or its

 successor, certifying that the person is a disabled

 veteran in receipt of compensation at the one-hundred
 percent rate, and
 - b. residents hunting in big game or combination big game and upland game commercial hunting areas.
 - G. Residents hunting big game, combination big game and upland game or exotic wildlife in a commercial hunting area shall be required to have one of the following licenses:
 - An annual hunting license issued pursuant to paragraph 1, 2,
 or 4 of subsection F of this section;
- 22 2. An annual hunting and fishing combination license issued pursuant to Section 4-113 of this title;

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3. A five-year hunting license or five-year combination hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to Section 4-113.1 of this title; or

- 4. A lifetime hunting license or lifetime combination hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to Section 4-114 of this title.
- H. Of the fees collected pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection F of this section, Five Dollars (\$5.00) of the license fee shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Stamp and shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title.
- I. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require a hunting license, resident or nonresident, of any person merely because the person participates, as owner or handler of an entry, as an official, or as a spectator in the conduct of a field trial or performance test of dogs, whether a resident or nonresident of the State of Oklahoma. No license to hunt shall be required of any person engaged in training or working dogs, provided that person is in no way engaged in hunting and does not take or attempt to take in any manner any game.
- J. 1. Any person arrested for hunting game other than deer, antelope, elk, bear or turkey without a valid hunting license as required by the provisions of subsection A of this section may purchase a substitute temporary thirty-day license from the arresting game warden in lieu of posting bond. Proof of hunter

safety certification will not be required for the temporary substitute license. The fee for a substitute license purchased pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be:

- a. for legal residents, Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), and
- b. for nonresidents, One Hundred Forty-five Dollars (\$145.00).
- 2. Except as otherwise provided for by this subsection, the fees from licenses purchased pursuant to the provisions of this subsection shall be deposited in the Wildlife Conservation Fund to be used exclusively for developing, managing, preserving, and protecting wildlife and wildlife habitat.
- K. Any person producing proof in court that a current hunting license issued by the Department of Wildlife Conservation to that person was in force at the time of the alleged offense shall be entitled to dismissal of a charge of violating this section upon payment of court costs. If proof of a current hunting license issued by the Department to the person that was in force at the time of the alleged offense is presented to the court or district attorney within seventy-two (72) hours after the violation, the charge shall be dismissed without payment of court costs.
- L. Unless a substitute license is purchased as provided for by subsection J of this section, any resident convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by the imposition of a fine of not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more

- 1 than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), or by imprisonment in the county 2 jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or by both.
 - M. Unless a substitute license is purchased as provided for by subsection J of this section, any nonresident convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be punished by the imposition of a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a period not to exceed six (6) months, or by both.
- 9 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-201, as
 10 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 165, O.S.L. 2016 (29 O.S. Supp.
 11 2018, Section 5-201), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 5-201. A. Except as otherwise provided for in this
 section or in rules promulgated by the Wildlife Conservation

 Commission, no person may utilize at any time, for the purpose of killing or capturing any game mammal, game bird, nongame bird or exotic wildlife, the following means:
 - 1. Any trap, net, snare, cage, pitfall, baited hook or similar device;
 - 2. Any drug, poison, narcotic, explosive or similar substance;
- 3. Any swivel or punt gun of greater calibre than ten (10) gauge;
- 4. Any device which generates electricity; or

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5. Any device which noticeably suppresses noise from a firearm, commonly known as a suppressor or silencer unless it is registered in compliance with the requirements of federal law.

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- B. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, no person shall hunt wildlife or exotic wildlife by computer-assisted remote control hunting.
- C. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, no person shall engage in any activity that provides, sells, offers for sale, assists in, or provides facilities for computer-assisted remote control hunting of wildlife or exotic wildlife.
- D. The following persons shall be exempt from the prohibition in subsection A of this section:
- 1. The Director, departmental employees and authorized agents when capturing wildlife for propagation or management purposes;
- 2. Any person, group or governmental agency the Director may by written permit authorize, where any species of nongame birds are causing a nuisance or undue economic loss, as may be determined by the Director. Such permit shall state the method of control and specific procedures and conditions as may be deemed appropriate by the Director;
- 3. Any person possessing a scientific purposes license under Section 4-118 of this title;
- 4. Employees of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry Wildlife Services Division and the United States

Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services while engaged in
wildlife management activities for the protection of agriculture,
property, human health and safety and natural resources; or

- 5. Any person using nonlethal, nonchemical capture or restraint of animals on licensed commercial hunt areas for management, viewing or photographic purposes.
- E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt any person using a device as described in paragraph 5 of subsection A of this section from the requirements and provisions of federal law, federal regulations and federal tax requirements for lawful use of the device.
- F. A person shall be exempt from the prohibition in subsection B of this section if the person is permanently physically disabled so that the person is physically incapable of using a firearm, crossbow, or conventional bow as certified in writing by a physician licensed to practice medicine. A person who has received certification as provided for in this paragraph shall have in their possession written evidence of the certification while in the field hunting.
- G. A person shall be exempt from the prohibition in subsection C of this section if the person is engaged in providing facilities for, assisting in, selling, or offering for sale a computer-assisted remote control hunting activity for a person who is physically disabled as described in subsection F of this section. The

- physically disabled person shall be physically present where the hunting activity is occurring and be in control and operating the computer-assisted remote control means to take wildlife or exotic wildlife.
 - H. 1. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection A of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).
 - 2. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection B or C of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by both the fine and imprisonment. In addition, the court may order that the hunting or fishing license and privileges of any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection B or C of this section be revoked for a period of not less than one (1) year but not exceeding five (5) years. The cost of reinstating a hunting or fishing license revoked pursuant to this subsection for residents shall be Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each license and for nonresidents shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each license. The reinstatement fee shall be in addition to any other fees required for the hunting or fishing license.

3. Any person convicted of a wildlife offense which involves a species of wildlife listed in Section 5-411 of this title, involves a species of wildlife referenced in Section 5-412 of this title or involves the unlawful possession, taking or killing of the wildlife from an unlawful hunt, chase, trap, capture, shooting, killing or slaughter while using a suppressed firearm during the commission of the wildlife offense, in addition to any other penalty otherwise provided for in law, shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by both the fine and imprisonment. In addition, the court may order that the hunting or fishing license and privileges of the person be revoked for a period of not less than one (1) year but not exceeding five (5) years.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-405, is amended to read as follows:

Section 5-405. A. Except as otherwise provided, no person may hunt, kill, capture or otherwise take or destroy any furbearer, except from the first day of December to the last day of February, both dates inclusive A person can hunt, kill, capture or otherwise take or destroy any furbearer pursuant to this section or pursuant to rules promulgated by the Wildlife Conservation Commission.

B. Any person who takes a pelt or pelts during the season shall have ten (10) working days after the close of the season to sell or

- dispose of the pelts or to provide written notification to the

 Department of Wildlife Conservation that the person intends to hold

 the pelts for later sale. Written notification shall be made on a

 form prescribed by the Department.
 - C. Nothing contained in these provisions shall prevent the killing of furbearers actually found destroying livestock, poultry or exotic livestock, nor the running or chasing of fox, bobcat and raccoon with dogs for sport only. For purposes of this section, the term "exotic livestock" means commercially raised exotic livestock including animals of the families bovidae, cervidae and antilocapridae or birds of the ratite group.
- SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 4-113, is amended to read as follows:
 - Section 4-113. A. Legal residents who are not the individuals excepted from the license requirement as provided in subsection B of Section 4-112 of this title may purchase an annual combination hunting/fishing license from the Director or agents of the Director.
 - B. The fee for each combination hunting/fishing license issued under this section shall be:
 - 1. For legal residents eighteen (18) years of age and older for a license that expires on December 31 of the year purchased Forty-one Dollars (\$41.00) Thirty-six Dollars (\$36.00);

- 2. For residents eighteen (18) years of age and older for a license that expires on June 30 of the fiscal year purchased Fifty-two Dollars (\$52.00);
 - 3. For legal residents sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age for a license that expires on December 31 of the year purchased Thirteen Dollars (\$13.00); and
 - 4. For legal residents sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age for a license that expires on June 30 of the fiscal year purchased Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00).
- 10 C. Legal residents and nonresidents may purchase an annual 11 combination hunting and fishing landowner license. The license 12 provided for in this subsection may be assigned to the landowner's 13 spouses, parents, grandparents, children and their spouses and 14 grandchildren and their spouses, whether or not they are Oklahoma 15 residents. The license shall only be valid on the land for which it 16 is issued. The license fee shall be Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00). 17 The total number of annual combination hunting and fishing landowner 18 licenses issued shall not exceed one license for each eighty (80) 19 acres owned by the landowner. Evidence of ownership, parental, 20 grandparental, child or grandchild spousal relationship, if 21 requested, shall be provided to the Department of Wildlife 22 Conservation. The Department shall promulgate rules to enforce the 23 provisions of this subsection.

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2	paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection B of this section, Five Dollars
3	(\$5.00) of the license fee shall be for the Oklahoma Wildlife Land
4	Stamp and shall be deposited in the Oklahoma Wildlife Land Fund
5	created pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141 of this title.
6	SECTION 5. REPEALER 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-501, as
7	amended by Section 2, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018,
8	Section 5-501), is hereby repealed.
9	SECTION 6. REPEALER 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-502, as last
10	amended by Section 3, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018,
11	Section 5-502), is hereby repealed.
12	SECTION 7. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019."
13	Passed the House of Representatives the 25th day of April, 2019.
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18	Passed the Senate the day of, 2019.
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exotic wildlife, the following means:

- 1 1. Any trap, net, snare, cage, pitfall, baited hook or similar device;
 - 2. Any drug, poison, narcotic, explosive or similar substance;
 - 3. Any swivel or punt gun of greater calibre than ten (10) gauge;
 - 4. Any device which generates electricity; or
 - 5. Any device which noticeably suppresses noise from a firearm, commonly known as a suppressor or silencer unless it is registered in compliance with the requirements of federal law.
 - B. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, no person shall hunt wildlife or exotic wildlife by computer-assisted remote control hunting.
 - C. Except as otherwise provided for in this section, no person shall engage in any activity that provides, sells, offers for sale, assists in, or provides facilities for computer-assisted remote control hunting of wildlife or exotic wildlife.
 - D. The following persons shall be exempt from the prohibition in subsection A of this section:
 - 1. The Director, departmental employees and authorized agents when capturing wildlife for propagation or management purposes;
 - 2. Any person, group or governmental agency the Director may by written permit authorize, where any species of nongame birds are causing a nuisance or undue economic loss, as may be determined by the Director. Such permit shall state the method of control and

- 1 specific procedures and conditions as may be deemed appropriate by 2 the Director;
 - 3. Any person possessing a scientific purposes license under Section 4-118 of this title;
 - 4. Employees of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry Wildlife Services Division and the United States

 Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services while engaged in wildlife management activities for the protection of agriculture, property, human health and safety and natural resources; or
 - 5. Any person using nonlethal, nonchemical capture or restraint of animals on licensed commercial hunt areas for management, viewing or photographic purposes.
 - E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to exempt any person using a device as described in paragraph 5 of subsection A of this section from the requirements and provisions of federal law, federal regulations and federal tax requirements for lawful use of the device.
 - F. A person shall be exempt from the prohibition in subsection

 B of this section if the person is permanently physically disabled

 so that the person is physically incapable of using a firearm,

 crossbow, or conventional bow as certified in writing by a physician

 licensed to practice medicine. A person who has received

 certification as provided for in this paragraph shall have in their

- possession written evidence of the certification while in the field
 hunting.
- 3 G. A person shall be exempt from the prohibition in subsection C of this section if the person is engaged in providing facilities 4 5 for, assisting in, selling, or offering for sale a computer-assisted remote control hunting activity for a person who is physically 6 disabled as described in subsection F of this section. 7 The physically disabled person shall be physically present where the 9 hunting activity is occurring and be in control and operating the 10 computer-assisted remote control means to take wildlife or exotic wildlife. 11
 - H. 1. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection A of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).
 - 2. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection B or C of this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by both the fine and imprisonment. In addition, the court may order that the hunting or fishing license and privileges of any person convicted of violating the provisions of subsection B or C of this section be revoked for a period of not less than one (1) year but not exceeding five (5) years. The cost

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- of reinstating a hunting or fishing license revoked pursuant to this subsection for residents shall be Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each license and for nonresidents shall be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each license. The reinstatement fee shall be in addition to any other fees required for the hunting or fishing license.
 - 3. Any person convicted of a wildlife offense which involves a species of wildlife listed in Section 5-411 of this title, involves a species of wildlife referenced in Section 5-412 of this title or involves the unlawful possession, taking or killing of the wildlife from an unlawful hunt, chase, trap, capture, shooting, killing or slaughter while using a suppressed firearm during the commission of the wildlife offense, in addition to any other penalty otherwise provided for in law, shall be punished by a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by both the fine and imprisonment. In addition, the court may order that the hunting or fishing license and privileges of the person be revoked for a period of not less than one (1) year but not exceeding five (5) years.
 - SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-405, is amended to read as follows:
- Section 5-405. A. Except as otherwise provided, no person may

 hunt, kill, capture or otherwise take or destroy any furbearer,

except from the first day of December to the last day of February,

both dates inclusive A person can hunt, kill, capture or otherwise

take or destroy any furbearer pursuant to this section or pursuant

to rules promulgated by the Wildlife Conservation Commission.

B. Any person who takes a pelt or pelts during the season shall
have ten (10) working days after the close of the season to sell or
dispose of the pelts or to provide written notification to the
Department of Wildlife Conservation that the person intends to hold
the pelts for later sale. Written notification shall be made on a

form prescribed by the Department.

- C. Nothing contained in these provisions shall prevent the killing of furbearers actually found destroying livestock, poultry or exotic livestock, nor the running or chasing of fox, bobcat and raccoon with dogs for sport only. For purposes of this section, the term "exotic livestock" means commercially raised exotic livestock including animals of the families bovidae, cervidae and antilocapridae or birds of the ratite group.
- SECTION 10. REPEALER 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-501, as
 amended by Section 2, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 (29 O.S. Supp. 2018,
 Section 5-501), is hereby repealed.
- 21 SECTION 11. REPEALER 29 O.S. 2011, Section 5-502, as
 22 last amended by Section 3, Chapter 132, O.S.L. 2015 (29 O.S. Supp.
 23 2018, Section 5-502), is hereby repealed.
- SECTION 12. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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