

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 February 19, 2021

3 SENATE BILL NO. 899

By: Leewright

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7 An Act relating to the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor  
8 Registration Act; amending 63 O.S. 2011, Section  
9 4005, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 13, O.S.L.  
10 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 4005), which  
11 relates to exemptions; exempting kiteboards from  
12 title and registration requirements; updating  
13 statutory language; and providing an effective date.

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

15 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 63 O.S. 2011, Section 4005, as  
16 amended by Section 2, Chapter 13, O.S.L. 2019 (63 O.S. Supp. 2020,  
17 Section 4005), is amended to read as follows:

18 Section 4005. A. A vessel or motor shall not be required to be  
19 titled and registered pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma  
20 Vessel and Motor Registration Act if:

21 1. Such vessel or motor is owned by the United States, a state  
22 other than the State of Oklahoma, any agency thereof, or any  
23 subdivision of the state; provided, however, if such vessel is used  
24 for recreational or rental purposes on the waters of this state,

1 ~~said~~ the vessel shall be registered and numbered in accordance with  
2 Section 4002 et seq. of this title;

3 2. Such vessel or motor is owned by a visiting nonresident and  
4 is currently registered in another state. Provided that if any such  
5 vessel or motor remains in Oklahoma in excess of sixty (60) calendar  
6 days, such vessel or motor shall be registered pursuant to the  
7 provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act and the  
8 registration fees due thereon from the date of entry into Oklahoma  
9 must be paid;

10 3. Such vessel or motor is from a country other than the United  
11 States provided such vessel or motor does not remain in Oklahoma in  
12 excess of sixty (60) calendar days;

13 4. Such vessel is used exclusively and solely as a lifeboat;

14 5. Such vessel is used exclusively and solely for racing  
15 purposes;

16 6. Such vessel is a commercial flotation device which is issued  
17 a license by the Grand River Dam Authority pursuant to the  
18 provisions of the Scenic Rivers Act; provided, a commercial  
19 flotation device shall be required to be titled pursuant to the  
20 provisions of Section 4008 of this title;

21 7. Such vessel is a documented vessel provided such documented  
22 vessel shall be required to be registered pursuant to the provisions  
23 of Section 4016 of this title; or

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1        8. Such vessel is a canoe, kayak, kiteboard or paddleboat as  
2 defined in Section 4002 of this title, except that such vessels,  
3 when powered by any means other than human power, shall be titled  
4 and registered pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and  
5 Motor Registration Act.

6        B. Motors classified as inboard motors shall not be required to  
7 be titled or registered pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma  
8 Vessel and Motor Registration Act.

9        C. All vessels and motors which are owned by the State of  
10 Oklahoma, its agencies or departments, or political subdivisions  
11 thereof, or which, under the law, would be exempt from direct ad  
12 valorem taxation, shall be titled and registered pursuant to the  
13 provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act.  
14 Provided, all vessels and motors titled and registered to the  
15 Department of Public Safety shall be exempt from all registration  
16 fees.

17        D. All other vessels shall be titled and registered pursuant to  
18 the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and Motor Registration Act.

19        E. At the request of the owner, any vessel exempt from the  
20 title and registration provisions of this section shall be titled  
21 and registered pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Vessel and  
22 Motor Registration Act for the purposes of proof of ownership or  
23 vessel identification. All title and registration fees shall be  
24 paid by the owner of the vessel.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.

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