2010 Legislative Session

New Laws passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor 2010

Senate Bill 1275 by Sen. Gumm and Rep. Carey of the House. Would allow taxidermists to sell unclaimed taxidermy to other Oklahoma residents six months following notification that the specimen is completed for an amount not to exceed the original price for mounting the specimen. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Signed by the Governor.

Senate Bill 1594 by Sen. Marlatt and Rep. Sanders. Allows crossbows and conventional bows with draw lock devices as a legal means of hunting whenever conventional bows are allowed. Bill would be effective immediately. Signed by the Governor.

House Bill 1889 by Rep. Phil Richardson and Sen. Sparks. Would allow the Wildlife Department to establish Oklahoma as a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact and designate procedures for implementation. Signed by the Governor.

House Bill 2295 by Reps. Armes and Jordan and Sens. Shulz and Ivester. Codifying Department of Agriculture rules on farmed cervidae and allowing the sale of antlers and horns from farmed cervidae or commercial hunting areas; allowing the ODWC Director to grant an exemption for the sale of antlers and horns in other circumstances. Bill would be effective immediately. Awaiting action by the Governor.

House Bill 2861 by Rep. Richardson and Sen. Garrison. Increases fines for certain wildlife violations and provides for restitution in cases involving illegal killing or possession of wildlife. Allows courts to suspend or revoke hunting and fishing license privileges depending on the type of violation and a person's previous record of violations. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Signed by the Governor.

House Bill 2862 by Reps. Richardson and Roan and Sen. Justice. Specifies that the Wildlife Conservation Commission can establish an annual user license for people who do not have a hunting or fishing license for lands owned by the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation. Signed by the Governor.

House Bill 2963 by Rep. Sears and Sen. Schulz. Hunting and Fishing License consolidation bill. Bill would be effective Jan. 1, 2011.Signed by the Governor.

Directing that lifetime licenses sold to persons under 18 years age can be paid for through installments not to exceed a three-year period of time and in a manner determined by the Wildlife Department.

Would allow all residents and nonresidents to fish in state-designated trout areas without having to buy a special trout license. Costs for the trout program would be offset by increasing nonresident fishing license fees. Adds housekeeping language that incorporates the Fishing and Hunting Legacy Permit in with nonresident fishing licenses.

Changing the five-day nonresident fishing license to a six-day license.

Consolidates and simplifies nonresident deer licensing by providing only one license for each of the deer season – archery, muzzleloader and gun. Specifies a fee of $279 for a nonresident deer license.

Provides for the option of hunting license effective dates to expire June 30 of the following fiscal year or Dec. 31 the end of the calendar year.

Provides that all persons serving on active duty in the United States Armed Forces can purchase any resident annual fishing or hunting license.

Lifetime license consolidation bill would provide for uniform benefits between senior citizen lifetime licenses and regular lifetime licenses. Would also make lifetime license holders exempt from the trapping license and extend the effective dates for the trapping license through the end of February to include all of furbearer season. Would also consolidate some lifetime licenses.

Changed the year in which you can purchase the senior citizen license to seniors 65 and older that calendar year.

Bills that died during the 2001 Legislative Session

Senate Bill 1257 by Sen. Russell. Would remove the law prohibiting silencers for hunting. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Tourism and Wildlife Committee.

Senate Bill 1278 by Sen. Garrison. Allows the purchase a five-year disability hunting or fishing license for $10 for residents who have a written determination that they are 100 percent disabled from a doctor licensed to practice medicine in the state. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Tourism and Wildlife Committee.

Senate Bill 1312 by Sen. Ellis. Requiring 12-foot fencing, specifying sign placement and requiring quarterly inspections of commercial hunting areas. Would also require payment

for all animals that remain within an area enclosed for a commercial hunting area. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Tourism and Wildlife Committee.

Senate Bill 1322 by Sen. Sparks and Rep. Hilliard. Specifying that the sale of handguns, rifles and shotguns be exempt from state sales tax from the third Friday in August and continuing for a period of three days. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Finance Committee.

Senate Bill 1365 by Sens. Coffee and Gumm and Reps. Russ and Walker. Directing that lifetime licenses sold to persons under 18 years age can be paid for through installments not to exceed a three-year period of time and in a manner determined by the Wildlife Department. .* This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

Senate Bill 1378 by Sen. Sykes and Rep Richardson. Limiting the civil liability for persons engaged in firearm activities at gun ranges, shops or clubs. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Pre-filed Senate bill. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill 1393 by Sen. Schulz and Rep. Richardson. Would allow all residents and nonresidents to fish in state-designated trout areas without having to buy a special trout license. Costs for the trout program would be offset by increasing nonresident fishing license fees. Adds housekeeping language that incorporates the Fishing and Hunting Legacy Permit in with nonresident fishing licenses. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

Senate Bill 1594 by Sen. Schultz and Rep. Richardson. Consolidates and simplifies nonresident deer licensing by providing only one license for each of the deer season – archery, muzzleloader and gun. Specifies a fee of $279 for a nonresident deer license. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

Senate Bill 1597 by Sen. Stanislawski and Rep. J. Wright. Limits the terms of Wildlife Commissioners, and commissioners of other state agencies, to six-year terms and that they cannot serve more than 12 years. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill passed 26-16 by the Senate. Title restored and passed by the House Government Modernization Committee. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the full House.

Senate Bill 1680 by Sen. Marlatt. Shell bill relating to the office of the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Rules Committee.

Senate Bill 1728 by Sen. Schulz. Shell bill relating to the office of the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Rules Committee.

Senate Bill 1781 by Sen. Schulz. Lifetime license consolidation bill would provide for uniform benefits between senior citizen lifetime licenses and regular lifetime licenses. Would also make lifetime license holders exempt from the trapping license and extend the effective dates for the trapping license through the end of February to include all of furbearer season. Would also consolidate some lifetime licenses. Bill would be effective Jan. 1, 2011. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Tourism and Wildlife Committee.

Senate Bill 1798 by Sen. Anderson. Prohibits possession of certain animals, including bears, cougars, lions, tigers and nonhuman primates. Provides for certain exemptions. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill failed in the Senate Tourism and Wildlife Committee.

Senate Bill 2091 by Sen. Sparks. Shell bill relating to the office of the Director of the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Senate Rules Committee.

Senate Bill 2093 by Sen. Sparks and Rep. Sanders. Specifying that anyone who shoots from or across a public roadway onto the land of another is guilty of trespassing. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Title stricken. Bill passed by the Senate 40-0. Title restored and passed by the House Judiciary Committee. Bill goes dormant in Conference Committee.

House Bill 2275 by Rep. Cox and Sen. Wyrick. Sets the year-round normal elevation of Grand Lake at 745 feet above sea level. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill passed by the House 54-41; emergency fails. Bill goes dormant in the Senate Energy and Environment Committee.

House Bill 2314 by Rep. Smithson and Roan and Sen. Ballenger. Changing the five-day nonresident fishing license to a six-day license. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

House Bill 2334 by Rep. Murphey. Shell bill on consolidation of state agencies. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Rules Committee.

House Bill 2555 by Rep. Steve Martin. Restricts fishing guide license requirement to Lake Texoma only. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Wildlife Committee.

House Bill 2557 by Rep. McCullough. Allows tag agents to sell 5-year hunting and fishing licenses, providing that this information would be added to a person's drivers license. Requires game to be checked in within 24 hours but specifying that they can be checked in at the most convenient location. Provides that senior citizen licenses will have the same benefits as regular lifetime licenses. Sets the total yearly buck limit at one whitetail buck and one mule deer buck, with antlerless whitetail and mule deer harvest allowed on any day the season is open. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Wildlife Committee.

House Bill 2585 by Reps. Pruett and Roan and Sen. Justice. Consolidates and simplifies nonresident deer licensing by providing only one license for each of the deer season – archery, muzzleloader and gun. Specifies a fee of $279 for a nonresident deer license. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

House Bill 2595 by Rep. Sears and Sen. Schultz. Provides for the option of hunting license effective dates to expire June 30 of the following fiscal year or Dec. 31 the end of the calendar year. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

House Bill 2701 by Reps. McDaniel and Hoskin and Sen. Lamb. Provides that all persons serving on active duty in the United States Armed Forces can purchase any resident annual fishing or hunting license. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

House Bill 2850 by Rep. Pruett and Sen. Barrington. Would allow all residents and nonresidents to fish in state-designated trout areas without having to buy a special trout license. Costs for the trout program would be offset by increasing nonresident fishing license fees. Adds housekeeping language that incorporates the Fishing and Hunting Legacy Permit in with nonresident fishing licenses. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

House Bill 2963 by Rep. Sears and Sen. Schulz. Lifetime license consolidation bill would provide for uniform benefits between senior citizen lifetime licenses and regular lifetime licenses. Would also make lifetime license holders exempt from the trapping license and extend the effective dates for the trapping license through the end of February to include all of furbearer season. Would also consolidate some lifetime licenses. * This bill was consolidated into House Bill 2963 which was passed by the Governor.

House Bill 2993 by Rep. Enns. Allows people who are actively serving in the military and are children of Oklahoma residents to buy resident licenses regardless of their state of

residency. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Wildlife Committee.

House Bill 3137 by Rep. Ownbey. Shell bill relating to raccoons. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Wildlife Committee.

House Bill 3206 by Rep. Armes and Sen. Schultz. Spells out licensing and facility requirements for farmed cervidae. Bill would be effective Nov. 1, 2010. Title stricken and bill passed by the House 83-0. Bill goes dormant in the Senate Appropriations Committee, subcommittee on Natural Resources and Regulatory Services.

House Bill 3207 by Rep. Armes. Increases the fine for shooting from a public road to a minimum of $1,500 and a maximum of $3,000 and in addition the court shall order restitution for actual damages incurred. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Wildlife Committee.

House Bill 3260 by Rep. Blackwell and Sen. Marlatt. Requiring the Wildlife Conservation Commission to declare an open season in any counties or parts of counties in the state for a species of wildlife if a state contiguous with Oklahoma has declared and established an open season on that species of wildlife. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Title stricken and bill passed by the House 69-24; emergency failed. Enacting clause struck and passed 10-0 by the Senate Tourism and Wildlife Committee. Bill passed by the Senate 44-0. Senate amendments rejected conference committee requested. Conference Committee named Sens. Marlatt, Schulz, Justice, Wyrick, Ellis and Reps. Blackwell, Richardson, Pruett, Smithson and Jordan. Title restored. Conference Committee report rejected in the House, further conference requested, same conferees. Bill goes dormant in Conference Committee.

House Bill 3281 by Rep. Jackson. Providing for public fishing on any watershed lake operated or maintained by the Oklahoma Conservation Commission or a conservation district or which was funded with monies from the Small Watersheds Flood Control Fund. Bill would be effective immediately upon passage. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the Rules Committee.

House Joint Resolution 1073 by Reynolds. Proposed constitutional amendment specifying non-appropriated agencies would have their budgets cut in the same manner as other state agencies during times when the state is experiencing a budget shortfall. Bill goes dormant awaiting action by the House Rules Committee.