

An Act

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 819

By: Shortey of the Senate

and

Bennett, Roberts (Dustin)
and Ritze of the House

An Act relating to wildlife; prohibiting use of a laser sighting device as a hunting aid; providing exception for certain devices; allowing possession of a laser sighting device under certain circumstances; defining term; providing exception to certain persons; specifying penalty; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Hunting aid devices

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 5-203.2 of Title 29, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Except for battery-powered scoping devices that project a light or dot inside the scope and pin sight lights on archery equipment, no person shall use a laser sighting device as a hunting aid.

B. Nothing in this section shall prevent a person from possessing a .22 caliber rimfire rifle or pistol with a laser sighting device while hunting or taking furbearers with hounds during the legal, open furbearer season, while possessing a valid hunting license.

C. As used in this section, "laser sighting device" means any artificial light of any form that casts or reflects a beam of light onto or otherwise illuminates wildlife.

D. The provisions of subsection A of this section shall not apply to persons who are one hundred percent (100%) disabled as certified by the Social Security Administration or the United States Department of Veterans Affairs or who are certified as being legally blind by a physician licensed in this state or any state which borders this state if the person is hunting on private property and is accompanied by a licensed hunter.

E. Any person convicted of violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

Passed the Senate the 6th day of May, 2013.

A. Griffin

Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 16th day of April, 2013.

Ann Hubbard

Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Received by the Office of the Governor this 7th

day of May, 20 13, at 3:07 o'clock P M.

By: Kandi C. Batts

Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this 13th

day of May, 20 13, at 4:02 o'clock P M.

Mary Fallin

Governor of the State of Oklahoma

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this 13th

day of May, 20 13, at 5:15 o'clock P. M.

By: Chris Travis