

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 April 10, 2023

3 **AS AMENDED**

4 ENGROSSED HOUSE

5 BILL NO. 2862

6 By: Wallace of the House

7 and

8 Hall of the Senate

9 **[ Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and  
10 Forestry - regulation - rules - consultation -  
11 codification - effective date -**

12 **emergency ]**

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

14 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2.4F of Title 2, unless there is  
16 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. Except as may otherwise be provided by law, the Oklahoma  
18 Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry shall be the state  
19 entity empowered to implement all policy of the state regarding the  
20 care, testing, and regulation of Chronic Wasting Disease and its  
21 presence or lack thereof among cervidae in the state.

22 B. The Department shall, in consultation with no less than two  
23 (2) out-of-state individuals or researchers reasonably considered by  
24 the Department to be experts in the field of animal diseases,  
promulgate rules as needed to implement the provisions of this act.

1 No county or other state agency or political subdivision of this  
2 state shall enact or enforce any order, ordinance, or regulation, or  
3 perform actions which conflict with, duplicate, or impede the  
4 authority provided to the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food,  
5 and Forestry pursuant to Section A of this act.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

7 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
8 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
9 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
10 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

11 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS  
12 April 10, 2023 - DO PASS AS AMENDED

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