

Senate Bill 554

Sponsored by Senator BOQUIST; Senators BAERTSCHIGER JR, FERRIOLI, GEORGE, GIROD, HANSELL, KNOPP, KRUSE, OLSEN, THOMSEN, WHITSETT

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Authorizes certain hunters to use certain mechanical and fixed blade broadheads on arrows.
Authorizes certain hunters to attach illuminating nocks to arrows.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to hunting; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 498.142.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 498.**

5 **SECTION 2. A person who is lawfully hunting may use mechanical blade broadheads or**
6 **fixed blade broadheads on arrows when hunting, provided that each blade broadhead:**

7 (1) **Is unbarbed;**

8 (2) **Weighs at least 85 grams;**

9 (3) **Has at least two sharpened blades;**

10 (4) **Is at least seven-eighths of an inch long; and**

11 (5) **Has a maximum diameter of two inches.**

12 **SECTION 3. ORS 498.142 is amended to read:**

13 498.142. (1) Except as provided in [*subsection (2)*] **subsections (2) and (3)** of this section, [*no*
14 *person shall*] **a person may not** hunt wildlife with the aid of any artificial light.

15 (2) The State Fish and Wildlife Commission, by rule, may authorize hunting with the aid of an
16 artificial light for the purpose of taking raccoon, opossum or bobcat or to alleviate damage by
17 wildlife to other resources.

18 (3) **A person who is lawfully hunting:**

19 (a) **May attach an illuminatingnock to an arrow when hunting.**

20 (b) **May not attach any electronic tracking device to an arrow when hunting.**
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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.