



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Bill 61

Assembly Amendment 1

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Current Law

Currently, under rules promulgated by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the DNR and designated county clerks are required to issue annual disabled person fishing licenses to eligible state residents. Other agents who issue fishing licenses, such as sporting goods stores, are not authorized to issue annual disabled person fishing licenses.

Assembly Bill 61

Assembly Bill 61 authorizes nongovernmental issuing agents to issue a 14-day temporary fishing license to qualified disabled persons and requires these agents to forward the evidence submitted by the applicant of his or her disability to the DNR for its review. During that 14-day period, the DNR must grant or deny the application for an annual disabled person fishing license. The bill also specifies the fees charged for issuing a temporary license and the portion of the fee that the issuing agent may retain.

Assembly Amendment 1

Assembly Amendment 1 changes the duration of the temporary fishing license for disabled persons and the DNR's associated review period from 14 days to 30 days.

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representatives Miller and Sykora on the Assembly floor on May 1, 2001, and adopted by the Assembly by voice vote. Assembly Bill 61, as amended, was passed by the Assembly on May 1, 2001 on a vote of Ayes, 97, Noes, 0.

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