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**WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ...
PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS**

2007-08

(session year)

Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

**Committee on ... Environment and Natural
Resources (SC-ENR)**

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INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

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June-2014

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill 166

Relating to: issuance of certain hunting approvals to certain members of the U.S. armed forces.

By Senators Decker, Breske, Miller, Wirch, Kedzie, Schultz, Plale, Leibham, Grothman, Roessler, Darling, Erpenbach, Lassa and Sullivan; cosponsored by Representatives Nerison, Gunderson, J. Ott, Hraychuck, Bies, M. Williams, Mursau, Gundrum, Petrowski, Albers, Friske, Gronemus, Hahn, Jeskewitz, Kerkman, Meyer, Musser, A. Ott, Pridemore, Sheridan, Suder, Townsend and Vos.

April 25, 2007 Referred to Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

May 23, 2007 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (5) Senators Miller, Jauch, Wirch, Kedzie and Schultz.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Penny Kanable, Madison — DNR

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Lee Nerison, Westby — Representative, Wisconsin State Assembly
- Russ Decker, Weston — Senator, Wisconsin State Senate
- Larry Olson, Madison — Department of Military Affairs
- George Meyer, Madison — Wisconsin Wildlife Federation
- Kasey Kolberg, Madison — Wisconsin Bearhunters Association
- Mike "Gunner" Furgal, Monroe — Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Tom Thoresen, Madison — Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters
- Anne Sayers, Madison — Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

May 29, 2007

EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD

Present: (5) Senators Miller, Jauch, Wirch, Kedzie and Schultz.

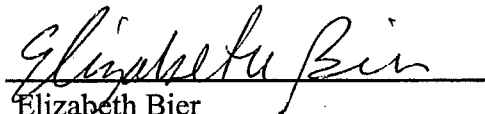
Absent: (0) None.

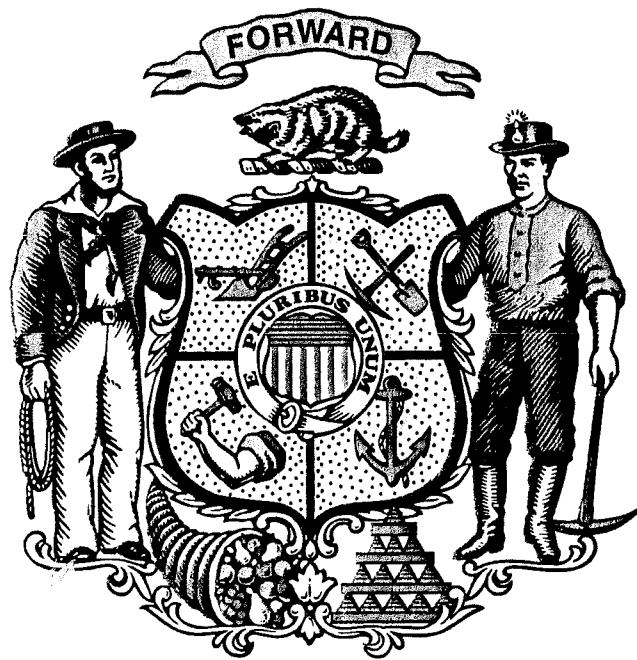
Moved by Senator Kedzie, seconded by Senator Jauch that **Senate Bill 166** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (5) Senators Miller, Jauch, Wirch, Kedzie and Schultz.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0


Elizabeth Bier
Committee Clerk



Vote Record

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Date: 5/29/07

Moved by: Kedzie

Seconded by: Jauch

AB _____ SB 1166 Clearinghouse Rule _____
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- Be recommended for:
- Passage Adoption Confirmation Concurrence Indefinite Postponement
 - Introduction Rejection Tabling Nonconcurrence

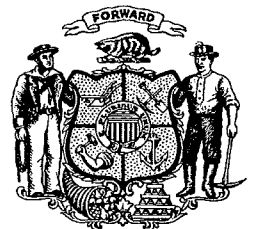
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Senator Mark Miller, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Robert Jauch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Robert Wirch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Neal Kedzie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Dale Schultz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Motion Carried

Motion Failed



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





LEE NERISON

96TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

SB 166
File

Remarks of Representative Lee Nerison
on Assembly Bill 131
Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources
May 23, 2007

Good afternoon Chairman Miller and committee members. Thank you for holding a public hearing today on Assembly Bill 131.

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I authored this bill because legislative offices have gotten requests in the past from constituents who find themselves home on leave during a hunting season and want to go out hunting with their families. Since license or permit drawings are established in statute, the Department of Natural Resources can't really accommodate the hunter once the application deadline has passed and the drawings have been held.

Assembly Bill 131 allows active duty military personnel home on furlough or leave to obtain hunting licenses or permits if they missed an application deadline. To qualify, personnel must be in active service outside of Wisconsin and their furlough or leave within Wisconsin must coincide with turkey, deer, or goose hunting seasons.

District:

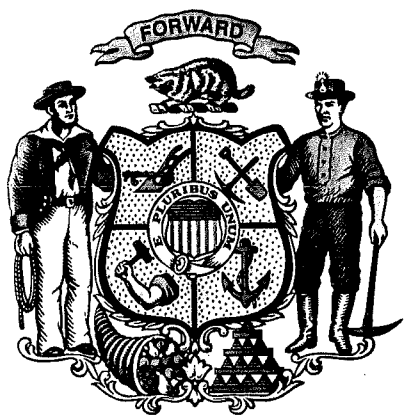
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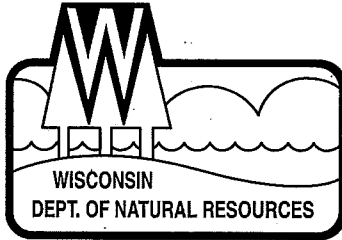
These days, a quick trip back from overseas service isn't the kind of thing you can anticipate months ahead or that you can even guess might happen. This bill provides flexibility to the DNR to be able to accommodate hunters.

Our service men and women deserve the chance to enjoy an important Wisconsin tradition with their families. This bill is a small way to thank them for the large sacrifices they make for us every day.

I hope you will join the Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress, the Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters, the Wisconsin Bear Hunters Association, and the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation in supporting Assembly Bill 131. This bill also passed the State Assembly unanimously on April 24th.

Thank you for your time and consideration.





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Department of Natural Resources Testimony – Senate Bill 166 / AB131

~~_____~~ Wednesday, May 23, 2007, 10:00 AM, 400 Southeast, State Capitol

Penny Kanable, Registration & Permitting Section
Bureau of Customer Service & Licensing, WDNR

Subject: Senate Bill 166 - AB 131 – Resident Hunting Permits for
certain members of the armed forces

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill 166 / AB 131,
which would allow certain members of the armed forces to obtain
licenses, permits and tags for turkey, Canada goose and deer hunting.
Today I am testifying on behalf of the Department of Natural Resources
in support of Senate Bill 166 / AB 131.

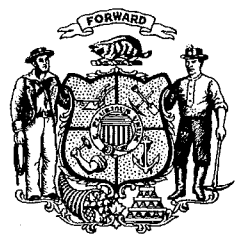
This bill would allow a resident member of the armed forces who is in
active service on furlough or leave to obtain a license, permit or tag at
any time. These permits are normally issued through the preference
drawing. No other deadlines or restrictions would be imposed as long
as the customer requests the approval prior to or during the open
season. Current law does not allow these service personnel to obtain a
permit until they have submitted an application prior to the established
deadline.

The department is prepared to implement this bill by the proposed
effective date. We believe it honors those men and women serving our
country who are also outdoor enthusiasts.

Again, I thank you for providing me with the opportunity to testify on
this bill today I would be happy to offer any additional information or
answer any questions.



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



Support SB 119: Controlling Great Lakes Invasive Species

The Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters urges you to support SB 119, which will be before the Senate Committee on the Environment and Natural Resources on Wednesday.

Invasive species have the ability to change aquatic systems and the plants and animals that live in them by shading out native plant species or by consuming plants and animals that fish rely on for food. There are currently 164 aquatic nuisance species in the Great Lakes. Ballast water from ocean-liners are mostly responsible for the introduction of new species, which is occurring every eight months on average.

SB 119 will help to stop ocean-going vessels from discharging ballast water polluted with harmful biological contaminants in the Great Lakes. Michigan has already passed similar legislation and other Great Lakes states are likely to follow suit. Wisconsin should be one of them.

Support AB 130: Granting Resident Hunting Licenses to Members of the Wisconsin National Guard

The Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters urges you to support AB 130, which will be before the Senate Committee on the Environment and Natural Resources on Wednesday.

AB 130 allows the DNR to issue resident hunting licenses to members of the Wisconsin National Guard who are residents of other states. Often times, these Guard members spend extensive time in Wisconsin. Allowing any person enrolled in a Wisconsin National Guard unit to purchase resident hunting licenses is an appropriate way to honor their service and to pass on Wisconsin's proud hunting traditions.

Support AB 131: Hunting Approvals to Members of the U.S. Armed Forces

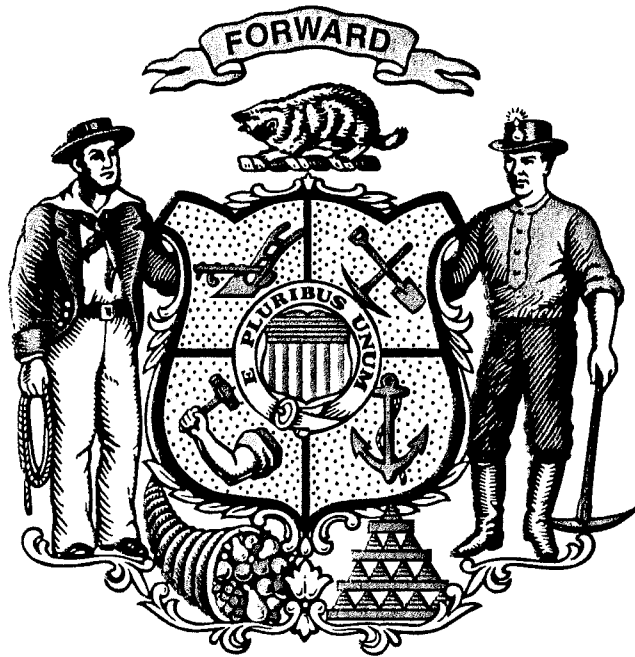
The Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters urges you to support AB 131, which will be before the Senate Committee on the Environment and Natural Resources on Wednesday.

AB 131 makes it easier for Wisconsin members of the armed forces to enjoy Wisconsin's hunting traditions by allowing the DNR to issue wild turkey hunting licenses, Canada goose hunting permits, and hunter's choice and other special deer hunting permits to Wisconsinites who are in active service in the U.S. armed forces outside the state but who are on furlough or leave within the state.

Conservation NOW announces to Legislators and other stakeholders the pro-conservation positions on issues before the Senate and/or Assembly in the week ahead. Some of these policies are the priorities of the conservation community and can be found on the Conservation Priorities Agenda which was delivered to legislative offices on February 21, 2007. All of these issues will be tracked on the Conservation Vote Tracker (<http://www.conservationvoters.org>). Many of the issues in Conservation NOW will be scored on the Conservation Scorecard to be released in the summer of 2008. Conservation NOW is produced and distributed by the Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters. Please contact Anne Sayers at anne@conservationvoters.org if you have any questions.

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SB 166 (Reg Session)

AB 131 (REG Session)

Nickname Veterans' Hunting Permits

Asm Author: nerison

Sen Author: decker

Bill Description AB131 would allow a resident member of the armed forces who is in active service on furlough or leave to obtain a license, permit and tags for turkey, Canada goose & deer hunting.

Committee vote: 13 to 0 (Rep. Steinbrink absent) on 4/11/07

Assembly vote: Passage 96 to 0 on 4/24/07

Supporting Arguments Rep. Nerison: Currently, permits or licenses to hunt turkey, deer, & geese are issued through drawings held months in advance of the hunting seasons. As the law stands now, a person can't get a permit or license to hunt these species once the application deadline has passed & the drawings have been held.

In the past, legislative offices have gotten requests from constituents who find themselves home on leave during a hunting season & want to go out hunting with their family. However, since these permit drawings are established in statute, DNR can't accommodate the hunter.

These days, a quick trip back from overseas service isn't the kind of thing you can anticipate months ahead or that you can even guess might happen. This bill provides flexibility to the DNR to be able to accommodate hunters.

AB131 gives our service men and women the chance to enjoy an important Wisconsin tradition with their families & it is a way to thank them for the sacrifices they make for us every day.

Department of Natural Resources: This bill would allow a resident member of the armed forces who is in active service on furlough or leave to obtain a license, permit or tag at any time. These permits are normally issued through the preference drawing. No other deadlines or restrictions would be imposed as long as the customer requests the approval prior to or during the open season. Current law does not allow these services personnel to obtain a permit until they have submitted an application prior to the established deadline.

We believe the bill honors those men and women serving our country who are also outdoor enthusiasts.

Organizations in Support of AB131:
WI Wildlife Federation
WI Conservation Congress
WI Bear Hunters Association

Opposing Arguments None that we know of at this time.

Important Amendments

Governor's Public Position None

Vocal Legislative Support:

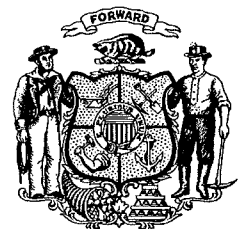
Issues

Interest Groups

<i>Date</i>	<i>Nickname</i>	AB 131 <i>ACTION</i>	<i>QUESTION</i>	<i>House:</i>
4/24/2007		Read a third time and passed, Ayes 96, Noes 0	PASSAGE	A



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE



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as of Thursday, May 17, 2007

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Assembly Bill 131

issuance of certain hunting approvals to certain members of the U.S. armed forces. (FE)

TEXT
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and votes
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COST & HOURS
of lobbying efforts
directed at this
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Organization		These organizations have reported lobbying on this proposal:	Place pointer on icon to display comment click icon to display prior comments		
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●	●	Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters (WLCV)	4/10/2007	↑	

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