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For: **Frank Lasee (608) 266-3512** By/Representing: **Rob Kovach**  
May Contact: Drafter: **rkite**  
Subject: **Nat. Res. - fish and game** Addl. Drafters:  
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Submit via email: **YES**  
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**Pre Topic:**

No specific pre topic given

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**Topic:**

Unattended decoys left in water

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**Instructions:**

See attached

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**Rose, Stefanie**

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**From:** LRB.Legal  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 27, 2013 9:50 AM  
**To:** Kite, Robin  
**Cc:** Kovach, Robert  
**Subject:** FW: Co-Sponsorship of LRB-0671/3: decoys placed in private ponds for migratory game bird hunting

**From:** Kovach, Robert  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 27, 2013 9:31 AM  
**To:** LRB.Legal  
**Subject:** FW: Co-Sponsorship of LRB-0671/3: decoys placed in private ponds for migratory game bird hunting

I need a Senate Version of this bill jacketed for Senator Lasee

Thanks!

**Rob Kovach**

Policy Advisor/Committee Clerk  
Office of Senator Frank Lasee  
(608) 266-3512

**From:** Hansen, Alex  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 27, 2013 8:56 AM  
**To:** Jacque, Andre; Kovach, Robert  
**Subject:** RE: Co-Sponsorship of LRB-0671/3: decoys placed in private ponds for migratory game bird hunting

Please add Senator Leibham as a co-sponsor, if possible.

Thank you.

**Alex Hansen**

*Office of Senator Joe Leibham*  
Phone: (608) 266-2056  
Room 15 South, State Capitol  
[www.leibhamsenate.com](http://www.leibhamsenate.com)

**From:** Jacque, Andre  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 12, 2013 1:57 PM  
**To:** \*Legislative All Assembly; \*Legislative All Senate  
**Subject:** Co-Sponsorship of LRB-0671/3: decoys placed in private ponds for migratory game bird hunting

CO-SPONSORSHIP MEMORANDUM

TO: All Legislators  
FROM: Rep. Jacque & Senator Lasee  
DATE: March 12, 2013  
RE: Co-Sponsorship of LRB-0671/1: decoys placed in private ponds for migratory game bird hunting

DEADLINE: TUESDAY, MARCH 26 AT 5:00 PM

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At the request of directors of the Manitowoc County Fish and Game Association, and in consultation with the Wisconsin Conservation Congress and DNR, we will be introducing legislation to allow water set decoys to be left unattended on ponds completely surrounded and enclosed by private land under single ownership. This would free private land waterfowl hunters from having to set and then pick up their water set decoys at the end of each hunt. It is presently legal to leave unattended decoys on dry land. This proposal is currently legal in other flyway states, and there is no biological detriment occurring from this practice. This policy change was strongly recommended by the Wisconsin Conservation Congress when put forward and passed statewide as a question in the 2011 DNR Spring Rule Hearings.

If you are interested in co-sponsoring this legislation, please contact Representative Jacque's office at 6-9870 or reply to this email by Tuesday, March 26, at 5 p.m. You will be added to both the Assembly and Senate versions unless a different preference is stated.

***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, it is public nuisance to allow a decoy to be left unattended in a body of water. This bill specifies that the Department of Natural Resources may not prohibit certain decoys to be left unattended in water and that leaving such decoys is not a public nuisance. Under the bill, a decoy may be left unattended in water if it is placed in the water to aid persons engaged in hunting migratory game birds, if the water is landlocked, and if the water is entirely confined on the private property of only one property owner.



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2013 BILL

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1 AN ACT *to amend* 29.927 (7); and *to create* 29.618 of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2 decoys placed in water for migratory game bird hunting.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

3 SECTION 1. 29.618 of the statutes is created to read:  
4 **29.618 Unattended decoys in water.** The department may not prohibit a  
5 person from leaving a decoy in water unattended, if all of the following apply:  
6 (1) The person places the decoy in the water to aid persons engaged in hunting  
7 migratory game birds.

