

State of Wisconsin



2017 Senate Bill 46

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2017 WISCONSIN ACT 14

AN ACT *to amend* 29.164 (3m) (title); and *to create* 29.164 (3m) (am) of the statutes; **relating to:** an exemption for resident disabled veterans and for recipients of the purple heart medal from the cumulative preference system for issuing wild turkey hunting licenses and tags.

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

SECTION 1. 29.164 (3m) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.164 (3m) (title) WILD TURKEY HUNTING LICENSES ISSUED TO MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES, DISABLED VETERANS, AND RECIPIENTS OF THE PURPLE HEART MEDAL.

SECTION 2. 29.164 (3m) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

29.164 (3m) (am) Notwithstanding sub. (3), the department shall issue to disabled veterans and to qualified recipients of the purple heart medal wild turkey hunting licenses and tags without requiring that the licenses and tags be issued pursuant to the cumulative preference system under sub. (3). A disabled veteran is a resident who produces evidence that shows that he or she is a vet-

eran, as defined in [38 USC 101](#), and is receiving disability compensation benefits under [38 USC 1101](#) to [1163](#) for disabilities that result in a disability rating that is 50 percent or greater under [38 USC 1114](#) or [1134](#), or is receiving disability compensation benefits due to being individually unemployable under [38 CFR 4.16](#) as authorized under [38 USC 501](#). The department shall recognize an annual disabled veteran recreation card issued under s. 29.236 as sufficient evidence that a person is a disabled veteran. A qualified recipient of the purple heart medal is a person who exhibits proof that he or she has received the medal.

SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to wild turkey hunting licenses issued for the first wild turkey hunting season that begins after the effective date of this subsection.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."