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ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO ASSEMBLY BILL 497

February 24, 2014 - Offered by Representative WILLIAMS.

AN ACT to amend 29.971 (11) and 29.983 (1) (a); and to create 29.983 (1) (c),
2 29.983 (1) (d) and 29.983 (1) (e) of the statutes; relating to: a higher wild
animal protection surcharge for the unlawful taking of deer.

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

Section 1. 29.971 (11) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.971 (11) For hunting deer without the required approval, during the closed season, with the aid of artificial light or with the aid of an aircraft, for the snaring of or setting snares for deer, or for the possession or control of a deer carcass in violation of s. 29.055 or 29.347, by a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months or both. In addition, the court shall order the revocation of all approvals issued to the person under this chapter and shall prohibit the issuance of any new approval under this chapter to the person for any period that is 3 years or greater and up to the person's lifetime.

SECTION 2. 29.983 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.983 (1) (a) If a court imposes a fine or forfeiture for a violation of a provision of this chapter or an order issued under this chapter for the unlawful killing, wounding, catching, taking, trapping, or possession of a wild animal specified in par. (b), or any part of such a wild animal, the court may impose a wild animal protection surcharge under ch. 814 that equals the amount specified for the wild animal under par. (b), except as provided in par (c).

SECTION 3. 29.983 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

29.983 (1) (c) If a court imposes a fine for a violation of s. 29.971 (11) and the affected deer has antlers of a size specified in par. (d), the court shall impose a wild animal protection surcharge under ch. 814 that equals the amount specified in par. (d) for a deer with that size of antlers. If a wild animal protection surcharge under both pars. (b) and (d) applies, the court shall impose the applicable wild animal protection surcharge listed under par. (d).

Section 4. 29.983 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

- 29.983 (1) (d) The amount of the wild animal protection surcharge imposed under ch. 814 for deer with antlers of the following sizes shall be as follows:
- 1. For any deer with antlers measuring at least 125 inches but less than 150 inches, no less than \$43.75 and no more than \$2,000.
- 2. For any deer with antlers measuring at least 150 inches but less than 170 inches, no less than \$2,001 and no more than \$5,000.
- 3. For any deer with antlers measuring 170 inches or more, no less than \$5,001 and no more than \$10,000.
 - **SECTION 5.** 29.983 (1) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

(END)
subsection.
(1) This act first applies to violations that occur on the effective date of this
SECTION 6. Initial applicability.
amounts listed under par. (d) apply.
of the antlers of a deer to determine whether the wild animal protection surcharge
29.983 (1) (e) The department shall establish a method for measuring the size