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2005 SENATE BILL 556

February 3, 2006 - Introduced by LAW REVISION COMMITTEE. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

- AN ACT to amend 23.22 (3) (a) of the statutes; relating to: a system of classifying invasive species (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of
- 3 Natural Resources).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law the Invasive Species Council must make recommendations to the Department of Natural Resources for a system for classifying invasive species for the statewide program that is established to control invasive species. Current law defines an invasive species to be a nonnative species whose introduction into the state causes or is likely to cause economic or environmental harm or harm to human health. Under current law a provision states that under the classification system there must be criteria for determining how to respond to the introduction or spread of native species. This bill corrects the terminology by changing "native species" to "invasive species."

For further information, see the Notes provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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

Law Revision Committee prefatory note: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the Department of Natural Resources and introduced by the Law Revision Committee under s. $13.83\ (1)\ (c)\ 4$., stats. After careful consideration of the

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various provisions of the bill, the Law Revision Committee has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.

SECTION 1. 23.22 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

23.22 (3) (a) The council shall make recommendations to the department for a system for classifying invasive species under the program established under sub. (2). The recommendations shall contain criteria for each classification to be used, the allowed activities associated with each classification, criteria for determining state priorities for controlling invasive species under each classification, and criteria for determining the types of actions to be taken in response to the introduction or spread of a native an invasive species under each classification.

9 (END)