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## **2005 SENATE BILL 560**

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

AN ACT to amend 174.01 (2) of the statutes; relating to: the authority of a warden to kill certain dogs that injure wildlife (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Natural Resources).

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with certain exceptions, a person may intentionally kill a dog only if the person is threatened with serious bodily harm by the dog and if other restraining actions failed or immediate action is necessary. The prohibition does not apply to certain officials, including conservation wardens, in the lawful performance of their duties. Current law contains an incorrect statutory reference in referring to the applicability of the prohibition to conservation wardens. This bill corrects that statutory reference.

For further information, see the Note 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 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.

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<b>SECTION 1.</b> 174.01 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
174.01 (2) Inapplicable to officers, veterinarians, and persons killing their
OWN DOG. This section does not apply to an officer acting in the lawful performance
of his or her duties under s. $29.931(2)(b)29.921(7)$ , 95.21, 173.23(1m)(c), (3), or (4),
or 174.02 (3), or to a veterinarian killing a dog in a proper and humane manner, or

to a person killing his or her own dog in a proper and humane manner.

7 (END)