



2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 588

October 29, 2001 - Introduced by Representatives GARD, D. MEYER, FRISKE, SERATTI, SUDER, KAUFERT, BIES, STARZYK and PETTIS, cosponsored by Senators DECKER, WELCH and BRESKE. Referred to Joint committee on Finance.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** funding for the enforcement of laws regulating snowmobiles
2 and the operation of snowmobiles and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of natural resources receives funding for conservation warden positions relating to enforcing the laws that regulate snowmobiles and the operation of snowmobiles from Indian gaming receipts that are deposited in the general fund and appropriated to the department of administration and from the snowmobile account of the conservation fund. The snowmobile account mainly consists of snowmobile fuel tax revenues and revenues from snowmobile registration fees. Almost all of these revenues are used for snowmobile trail aids and snowmobile law enforcement and safety training. This bill transfers the funding source for two conservation wardens from the snowmobile account in the conservation fund to the revenues from Indian gaming.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3 **SECTION 1. Appropriation changes.**

4 (1) SNOWMOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT; TRIBAL GAMING REVENUES. In the schedule
5 under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of

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1 natural resources under section 20.370 (3) (ak) of the statutes, as affected by the acts
2 of 2001, the dollar amount is increased by \$133,200 for fiscal year 2001-02 and the
3 dollar amount is increased by \$133,200 for fiscal year 2002-03 to increase the
4 authorized FTE positions for the department by 2.0 PR warden positions.

5 (2) SNOWMOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT; SNOWMOBILE ACCOUNT FUNDING. In the
6 schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the
7 department of natural resources under section 20.370 (3) (aq) of the statutes, as
8 affected by the acts of 2001, the dollar amount is decreased by \$133,200 for fiscal year
9 2001-02 and the dollar amount is decreased by \$133,200 for fiscal year 2002-03 to
10 to decrease the authorized FTE positions for the department by 2.0 SEG warden
11 positions.

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