



State of Wisconsin
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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2021 SENATE BILL 580

September 24, 2021 - Introduced by Senators CARPENTER, RINGHAND, ROYS, L. TAYLOR, AGARD, JOHNSON and LARSON, cosponsored by Representatives EMERSON, ANDRACA, BROSTOFF, CABRERA, CONLEY, CONSIDINE, NEUBAUER, SHELTON, SINICKI, HEBL, HONG, MOORE OMOKUNDE, OHNSTAD, SNODGRASS, STUBBS, SUBECK and VINING. Referred to Committee on Sporting Heritage, Small Business and Rural Issues.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 29.185 (1m) of the statutes; **relating to:** eliminating the
2 mandatory wolf hunt.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if the wolf is not listed on the federal endangered list and is not listed on the state endangered list, the Department of Natural Resources must allow the hunting and trapping of wolves. This bill provides that DNR may allow the hunting and trapping of wolves but does not require it.

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.** 29.185 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 29.185 (**1m**) DEPARTMENT AUTHORITY. If the wolf is not listed on the federal
5 endangered list and is not listed on the state endangered list, the department ~~shall~~
6 may allow the hunting and trapping of wolves and shall regulate such hunting and
7 trapping as provided in this section and shall implement a wolf management plan.

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SECTION 1

1 In regulating wolf hunting and trapping, the department may limit the number of
2 wolf hunters and trappers and the number of wolves that may be taken by issuing
3 wolf harvesting licenses.

4 (END)