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**CHAPTER 480.**

AN ACT to amend 20.20 (4), 25.29 and 29.174 (13) of the statutes, relating to prohibiting the diversion of funds from the conservation license funds.

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

SECTION 1. 20.20 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.20 (4) Moneys in the conservation fund accruing to the state of Wisconsin from license fees paid by hunters *and from sport and recreation fishing license fees* shall not be diverted for any other purpose than \* \* \* *those provided by the conservation department.*

SECTION 2. 25.29 of the statutes is amended to read:

25.29 All moneys, except fines, accruing to the state by reason of any provision of chapter 29, or otherwise received or collected by each and every person for or in behalf of the state conservation commission, if not payable into the forest reserve fund, shall constitute the "Conservation Fund" and shall be paid, within one week after receipt, into the state treasury and credited to said fund. No money shall be expended or paid from the conservation fund except in pursuance of an appropriation by law; but any unappropriated surplus in said fund may be expended subject to the approval of the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer, for the purchase of lands \* \* \* for forestry purposes as provided in section \* \* \* 28.02, for additional equipment, new buildings, new hatcheries, or hatchery ponds, property, improvements, increasing the warden force at any particular period, or any other similar special purpose except road work or improvement work on the state parks, provided, that funds accruing to the conservation fund from license fees paid by hunters *and from sport and recreation fishing license fees* shall not be

diverted for any other purpose than \* \* \* *those provided by* the conservation department.

SECTION 3. 29.174 (13) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.174 (13) The state of Wisconsin assents to the provisions of the \* \* \* *acts* of Congress entitled "An act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in wildlife-restoration projects, and for other purposes," approved September 2, 1937 (Public No. 415, 75th Congress), and "*An act to provide that the United States shall aid the states in fish restoration management projects, and for other purposes,*" approved August 9, 1950 (Public No. 681, 81st Congress), and the conservation department is authorized, empowered and directed to perform such acts as may be necessary to the conduct and establishment of co-operative wildlife-restoration *and co-operative fish restoration* projects, as defined in said \* \* \* *acts* of Congress, in compliance with said \* \* \* *acts* and with rules and regulations promulgated by the \* \* \* *secretary of the interior* thereunder; and no funds accruing to the state of Wisconsin from license fees paid by hunters *and from sport and recreation fishing license fees* shall be diverted for any other purpose than \* \* \* *those provided by the conservation* department.

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