



## 1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 307

April 24, 1997 - Introduced by Representatives JOHNSRUD, GRONEMUS, FREESE, ALBERS, ZUKOWSKI, BRANDEMUEHL, OWENS, HUEBSCH, OLSEN, GOETSCH, SERATTI, MUSSER, POWERS, HARSORF and LORGE, cosponsored by Senators SCHULTZ, RUDE and DRZEWIECKI. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 90.03 and 90.035 of the statutes; **relating to:** fences as  
2             boundaries for certain land occupied or owned by the department of natural  
3             resources.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, occupants or owners of adjoining land used for agricultural or grazing purposes must maintain fences between the land on an equal basis, unless they decide to use markers. They also must keep the fences repaired unless they mutually agree not to do so. Under current law, these requirements do not apply if one of the occupants or owners is the state or one of its subdivisions (state entity). In that case, the state entity and the other occupants or owners must agree that the fence is necessary before they and the state are required to comply with these fencing requirements.

Under this bill, if any of the land involved is being used for grazing and if one of the occupants or owners is the department of natural resources (DNR), the fencing requirements apply as if DNR were not a state entity.

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

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

