



2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 1190

April 24, 2006 – Introduced by Representative NERISON. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 **AN ACT to create** 29.164 (3m), 29.177 (7) and 29.192 (4c) of the statutes; **relating**
2 **to:** issuance of certain hunting approvals to certain members of the armed
3 forces.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, certain hunting licenses and permits (hunting approvals) are issued by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) based on a random or preference selection system. These hunting approvals include Canada goose hunting permits, Class A bear hunting licenses, wild turkey hunting licenses, elk hunting licenses, and special deer hunting permits, other than deer hunting permits.

This bill allows DNR to issue wild turkey hunting licenses, Canada goose hunting permits, and hunter's choice and other special deer hunting permits to residents of the state who are in active service outside the state but who are on furlough or leave within the state. The bill prohibits DNR from imposing any deadlines or other restrictions on the timing for submitting applications for these hunting approvals or for issuing the approvals. If one of these hunting approvals is issued during the applicable hunting season, the approval must authorize hunting beginning on the date on which the approval is issued.

For further information see the *state and local* 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:

ASSEMBLY BILL 1190**SECTION 1**

1 **SECTION 1.** 29.164 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:

2 **29.164 (3m) WILD TURKEY HUNTING LICENSES ISSUED TO MEMBERS OF ARMED**
3 **FORCES.** (a) Notwithstanding sub. (3), the department may issue wild turkey hunting
4 licenses without requiring that the licenses be issued pursuant to the cumulative
5 preference system under sub. (3) to members of the U.S. armed services who are all
6 of the following:

- 7 1. Residents.
- 8 2. In active service with the armed forces outside this state.
- 9 3. On furlough or leave within the state.

10 (b) The department may not impose any deadline or other restriction on the
11 timing for license applications or issuing licenses under this subsection. If a license
12 under this subsection is issued during the applicable hunting season, the license
13 shall authorize hunting beginning on the date of issuance.

14 **SECTION 2.** 29.177 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

15 **29.177 (7) EXEMPTION FROM CUMULATIVE PREFERENCE SYSTEM.** (a)
16 Notwithstanding sub. (4), the department may issue special deer hunting permits
17 without requiring that the permits be issued pursuant to the cumulative preference
18 system under sub. (4) to members of the U.S. armed services who are all of the
19 following:

- 20 1. Residents.
- 21 2. In active service with the armed forces outside this state.
- 22 3. On furlough or leave within the state.

23 (b) The department may not impose any deadline or other restriction on the
24 timing for permit applications or issuing permits under this subsection. If a permit

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1 under this subsection is issued during the applicable hunting season, the permit
2 shall authorize hunting beginning on the date of issuance.

3 **SECTION 3.** 29.192 (4c) of the statutes is created to read:

4 29.192 (4c) (a) Notwithstanding sub. (4), the department may issue permits
5 authorizing the hunting of Canada geese without requiring that the permits be
6 issued pursuant to a cumulative preference system under sub. (4) to members of the
7 U.S. armed services who are all of the following:

- 8 1. Residents.
- 9 2. In active service with the armed forces outside this state.
- 10 3. On furlough or leave within the state.

11 (b) The department may not impose any deadline or other restriction on the
12 timing for permit applications or issuing permits under this subsection. If a permit
13 under this subsection is issued during the applicable hunting season, the permit
14 shall authorize hunting beginning on the date of issuance.

15 **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

16 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 4th month beginning after
17 publication.

18 (END)