## **1999 SENATE BILL 103**

March 31, 1999 – Introduced by Senator Baumgart, cosponsored by Representative Miller, by request of Donald Lohr, Barbara Simonich, Brian Pantel, Roger Pantel, Dave Blunk, Frank Kiefer, Delbert Daehn and Gerald Wehmeyer. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform.

- 1 AN ACT *to create* 29.335 of the statutes; **relating to:** attracting wild animals
- with bait and granting rule-making authority.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current rules promulgated by the department of natural resources (DNR) restrict the types and locations of bait that may be used for the hunting of certain wild animals. This bill prohibits the use of bait for the purpose of hunting deer during the period beginning on the Monday immediately before the first day of regular gun deer season and ending on the Friday immediately following the last day of regular gun deer season.

This bill also prohibits a person from using bait to attract wild animals more than 100 yards from a residence for a purpose other than hunting unless the person has a permit issued by DNR. The bill requires DNR to establish requirements and procedures for issuing these permits and prohibits DNR from charging a fee for these permits.

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:

**Section 1.** 29.335 of the statutes is created to read:

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<b>29.335</b> Use of bait. (1) Definition. In this section, "regular gun deer season
means the deer hunting season established by the department that begins i
November and that authorizes hunting with firearms other than muzzle-loaders.

- (2) Bait for hunting deer. No person may place or use bait for the purpose of hunting deer during the period beginning on the Monday immediately before the first day of regular gun deer season and ending on the Friday immediately following the last day of the regular gun deer season.
- (3) Bait for nonhunting purposes. (a) No person may place or use bait more than 100 yards from a residence to attract wild animals for purposes other than hunting unless the person holds a permit issued by the department under par. (b).
- (b) The department shall promulgate rules to establish requirements and procedures for issuing permits that authorize the placement or use of bait more than 100 yards from residences to attract wild animals for purposes other than hunting. The department may not charge a fee for these permits.

15 (END)