2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 190

March 8, 2001 – Introduced by Representatives Boyle, Schneider, Carpenter, Richards, Pocan, Sinicki, Berceau, Reynolds, Cullen, Colon, Gronemus, Williams and Riley, cosponsored by Senators Moen, Burke, Risser, George and Jauch. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 AN ACT *to create* 29.318 of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting the hunting of

the bird that is the symbol of peace for this state.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under rules promulgated by the department of natural resources (DNR), there is an open season for the hunting of mourning doves. The mourning dove represents the symbol of peace for the state of Wisconsin.

This bill prohibits DNR from authorizing an open season for the hunting of mourning doves and imposes a specific ban against the hunting of these birds.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 29.318 of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 **29.318 Hunting doves. (1)** Notwithstanding s. 29.001 (42), in this section
- 5 "hunt" means to shoot, shoot at, take, capture, or kill, or pursue for the purpose of
- 6 shooting, shooting at, taking, capturing, or killing.

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(2) The department may not establish or authorize an open season for the
hunting of the bird that is the symbol of peace for this state, as specified in s. 1.10
(3) (a), and no person may hunt these birds at any time.

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(END)