## 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 297

April 6, 2001 – Introduced by Representatives Johnsrud, Ott, Freese and Hoven. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

- 1 AN ACT *to create* 29.335 of the statutes; **relating to:** baiting and feeding deer
- 2 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 hunting certain wild animals. This bill prohibits the use of bait for the purpose of hunting deer unless the bait is plant matter that is left or deposited as part of farming practices or unless the bait is in liquid form and weighs no more than two ounces.

The bill requires DNR to promulgate rules regulating the recreational and supplemental feeding of deer for purposes other than hunting.

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:
- 4 **29.335 Baiting and feeding deer.** (1) Use of Bait for Hunting Deer. No
- 5 person may place or use bait for the purpose of hunting deer unless one of the
- 6 following applies:

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(a) The bait is plant matter that is left or deposited solely as a result of normal
agricultural practices or normal wildlife management practices.

- (b) The bait is in liquid form and does not weigh more than 2 ounces.
- (2) Rules. The department shall promulgate rules to regulate the recreational and supplemental feeding of deer for purposes other than hunting.

6 (END)