



## 2001 SENATE BILL 45

February 7, 2001 - Introduced by Senators MOEN, BURKE, RISSER, JAUCH and GEORGE, cosponsored by Representatives BOYLE, RICHARDS, REYNOLDS, SCHNEIDER, POCAN, GRONEMUS, CARPENTER, WILLIAMS, RILEY, COLON and BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on Environmental Resources.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 29.318 of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting the hunting of  
2             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.

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

3             **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.

