2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 197

March 25, 2003 – Introduced by Representatives Suder, Ainsworth, Bies, Ott, Pettis, Seratti, Zepnick, M. Williams, Gunderson, Friske and F. Lasee, cosponsored by Senators Zien and Brown. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 169.20 (2) (b) (intro.) and 169.21 (2) (b); and *to create* 169.20
- 2 (2) (b) 4., 169.20 (2) (b) 5. and 169.20 (2) (b) 6. of the statutes; **relating to:** the
- 3 types of captive animals that may be used in training hound dogs.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a hound dog training license authorizes the holder of the license to release into the wild and hunt, for the purpose of teaching a hound dog to track, live captive raccoons, live captive rabbits, and live captive black bears. This bill adds live captive foxes, live captive bobcats, and live captive coyotes to the animals that may be used to teach a hound dog to track.

Current law authorizes the holder of a hound dog trial license to release into the wild and hunt, live captive raccoons, live captive rabbits, and live captive black bears for any organized competitive field event that involves sporting dog breeds and that is sanctioned, licensed, or recognized by a local, state, regional, or national dog organization. This bill adds live captive foxes, live captive bobcats, and live captive coyotes to the animals that may be used in these organized competitive field events.

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

SECTION 1. 169.20 (2) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

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| 169.20 (2) (b) (intro.) A hound dog training license authorizes the holder of the |
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| license to purchase, possess, release into the wild, and hunt any of the following live |
| captive wild animals for the purpose of teaching hound dogs to track game: |
| SECTION 2. 169.20 (2) (b) 4. of the statutes is created to read: |
| 169.20 (2) (b) 4. Live captive fox. |
| SECTION 3. 169.20 (2) (b) 5. of the statutes is created to read: |
| 169.20 (2) (b) 5. Live captive coyote. |
| SECTION 4. 169.20 (2) (b) 6. of the statutes is created to read: |
| 169.20 (2) (b) 6. Live captive bobcat. |
| SECTION 5. 169.21 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read: |
| 169.21 (2) (b) A hound dog trial license authorizes the holder of the license to |
| purchase, possess, release into the wild, and hunt live captive raccoon, live captive |
| rabbit, live captive fox, live captive coyote, live captive bobcat, and live captive bear |
| of the species Ursus americanus for any organized competitive field event that |
| involves sporting dog breeds and that is sanctioned, licensed, or recognized by a local, |
| state, regional, or national dog organization. |

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