AN ACT to amend 29.889 (7m) (am) (title); and to create 29.885 (4r) and 29.889 (7m) (ar) of the statutes; relating to: wildlife damage claims and abatement.

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

SECTION 1. 29.885 (4r) of the statutes is created to read:

29.885 (4r) Land not required to be open to hunting. The requirements under sub. (4m) do not apply to a person to whom the department grants a shooting permit for deer causing damage that is issued as an abatement measure recommended under s. 29.889 if all of the following apply:

(a) The permit is the only abatement measure the person receives under s. 29.889 for damage caused by deer.

(b) The person waives any eligibility to receive a wildlife damage claim payment under s. 29.889 (7) for damage caused by deer.

SECTION 2. 29.889 (7m) (am) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

29.889 (7m) (am) (title) Exemption, apiaries.

SECTION 3. 29.889 (7m) (ar) of the statutes is created to read:

29.889 (7m) (ar) Exemption; land not required to be open to hunting. The requirement under par. (a) does not apply to whom the department grants a shooting permit for deer causing damage that is issued as an abatement measure recommended under this section if all of the following apply:

1. The permit is the only abatement measure the person receives for wildlife damage caused by deer.

2. The person waives any eligibility to receive a wildlife damage claim payment under sub. (7) for wildlife damage caused by deer.

SECTION 4. Initial applicability. This act first applies to a shooting permit for deer causing damage that is in effect on the effective date of this subsection.

SECTION 5. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on the January 1 after publication.