2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 905

December 29, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives Hubler, Gunderson, Friske, Molepske, Jeskewitz, Lehman, Seidel, Montgomery, Hahn, Musser, Vruwink and Petrowski, cosponsored by Senators Jauch, Zien, Miller and Grothman. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 29.194 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** issuing resident fishing
- 2 licenses, resident small game hunting licenses, and resident deer hunting
- 3 licenses to certain students attending colleges or universities in this state.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a student who is not a permanent resident of this state but who is a full—time undergraduate student at a college or university in this state that offers a bachelor's degree may be issued a resident fishing, small game hunting, or deer hunting license instead of a corresponding nonresident fishing or hunting license. The fees for these types of resident licenses are lower than those for the nonresident licenses.

Under this bill, a full-time student attending a college in this state that offers an associate degree is also eligible for these resident licenses. Also, under the bill, a postgraduate student is eligible for these licenses.

For further information see the *state and local* 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. 29.194 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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29.194 (1) Certain resident licenses may be issued to students and members of the armed forces. Notwithstanding ss. 29.024 (2) and 29.228 (1) (a), the department shall issue a resident fishing license, resident small game hunting license or resident deer hunting license to a qualified student or qualified member of the armed forces applying for the license. A qualified student is a person who exhibits proof that he or she is a registered full—time undergraduate student in residence—at who is present in this state attending a public or private college or university that is located in this state and offering that offers an associate degree or a bachelor's degree or that he or she is a citizen of a foreign country temporarily residing in this state while attending a high school located in this state or an agricultural short course at the University of Wisconsin System. A qualified member of the armed forces is a person who exhibits proof that he or she is in active service with the U.S. armed forces and that he or she is stationed in this state.

SECTION 2. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after publication.

17 (END)