

2005 Assembly Bill 486

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2005 WISCONSIN ACT 287

AN ACT *to create* 29.886 of the statutes; **relating to:** the management of double-crested cormorants and granting rule-making authority.

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

SECTION 1. 29.886 of the statutes is created to read:

29.886 Management of double-crested cormorants. (1) In this section:

(a) "U.S. depredation order" means the depredation order for double-crested cormorants to protect public resources that was issued by the U.S. department of interior, fish and wildlife service, in 50 CFR 21.48, to reduce

or minimize the wildlife damage caused by double-crested cormorants.

(b) "Wildlife damage" means adverse impacts on fish, including fish hatchery stock, wildlife, plants, and their habitats.

(2) The department shall, in cooperation with federal agencies, administer a program in a manner that complies with the U.S. depredation order to control and manage double-crested cormorants in order to reduce wildlife damage caused by double-crested cormorants.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2003-04 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].