

2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 602

November 29, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives HUBLER, HINES, ZIEGELBAUER, JESKEWITZ, HAHN, BOYLE, ALBERS, OWENS, SUDER, BIES, PETROWSKI and MURSAU, cosponsored by Senators LEHMAN, SCHULTZ, GROTHMAN and BRESKE. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 29.216 (2m) of the statutes; **relating to:** authorizing hunting
2 of certain game with a crossbow by nonresidents who have attained the age of
3 65 years.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Natural Resources may issue an archer hunting license to any resident applying for the license and may issue a nonresident archer hunting license to any nonresident applying for the license. Both licenses authorize the hunting of certain game with a bow and arrow, including deer.

Current law also provides that a person who has attained the age of 65 may hunt under a resident archer hunting license with a crossbow as well as a bow and arrow. This bill expands this authority so that under a nonresident archer hunting license, a nonresident who has attained the age of 65 may also hunt with a crossbow.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 29.216 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:
5 29.216 **(2m)** PERSONS 65 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. Notwithstanding sub. (2), a
6 nonresident archer hunting license authorizes hunting with a bow and arrow or with

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1 a crossbow if the licensee is a person who has attained the age of 65. A person who
2 has attained the age of 65 is not required to hold a permit from the department to
3 hunt with a crossbow if he or she holds a license under this section.

4 (END)