

## 2007 SENATE BILL 208

June 11, 2007 – Introduced by Senator BRESKE. Referred to Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 26.08 (1) and 26.08 (2) (a); and *to create* 26.08 (1m) and 26.08  
2           (2) (e) of the statutes; **relating to:** the leasing of land in the Northern  
3           Highland–American Legion State Forest for the purpose of gravel extraction.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill authorizes the Department of Natural Resources to lease certain lands in the Northern Highland–American Legion State Forest for the purpose of gravel extraction for a term not to exceed 30 years.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4           **SECTION 1.** 26.08 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5           26.08 (1) The department may, from time to time, lease parts or parcels of state  
6           park lands or state forest lands. ~~These~~ The leases entered into under this subsection  
7           and sub. (1m) shall contain proper covenants to guard against trespass and waste.  
8           The rents arising from ~~these~~ such leases shall be paid into the state treasury to the

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1 credit of the proper fund. Licenses also may be granted to prospect for ore or mineral  
2 upon any of these lands; but proper security shall be taken that the licensees will  
3 fully inform the department of every discovery of ore or mineral and will restore the  
4 surface to its former condition and value if no discovery of valuable deposits is made.  
5 The department shall retain a copy of each lease or license and file the original in the  
6 office of the board of commissioners of public lands.

7 **SECTION 2.** 26.08 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

8 26.08 **(1m)** (a) The department may lease any of the following described lands  
9 in the Northern Highland–American Legion State Forest for the purpose of gravel  
10 extraction:

11 1. In Vilas County, all or part of the western 60 acres of the SW–1/4 of Sec. 13,  
12 T. 40 N., R. 6 E.

13 2. In Oneida County, a parcel of land being 30 acres in size, that is located west  
14 of STH 47 and that is located in the southern tier of 40–acre parcels across Sec. 36,  
15 T. 38 N., R. 7 E.

16 **SECTION 3.** 26.08 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 26.08 **(2)** (a) Except as provided under pars. (b) to ~~(d)~~ (e), the department may  
18 lease state park land or state forest land for terms not exceeding 15 years.

19 **SECTION 4.** 26.08 (2) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

20 26.08 **(2)** (e) The department may lease the lands specified in sub. (1m) for a  
21 term not exceeding 30 years.

22 (END)