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#### Tradewell, Becky

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Wilson, Danielle

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Monday, January 28, 2008 9:43 AM

To:

Tradewell, Becky

Subject:

Amendment to SB 284 - Rush

Hi Becky,

Will you please draft an amendment to SB 284 that includes the following guidelines provided by the DNR? I believe it would be considered a technical amendment, but if you think it should be a simple amendment that is fine too.

As we spoke earlier, the Department and Division of Forestry would like to seek a friendly amendment to the open solid waste burning bill to clarify the enforcement authority of the Department's Forest Rangers. The Forest Rangers are certified Wisconsin law enforcement officers that routinely deal with forest fire and forest management law enforcement issues as innumerated in state statue 26.97(1). Our Department legal staff feel that including this authority for the Department's forest rangers in 26.97(1) would be prudent, since this is where the forest rangers are granted their statutory enforcement authorities.

The Forest Rangers during the spring forest fire season are exposed to many of these illegal open burning situations and while on scene, after suppressing the forest fire, have an excellent opportunity to educate the landowner on the issue of illegal burning. The proposed friendly amendment to 26.97(1), granting forest rangers the authority as outlined in the open solid waste burning bill, is as follows (bolded and underlined):

26.97 Law enforcement and police power. A state forest ranger, town chairperson, conservation warden or other duly appointed deputy may do any of the following:

(1) Arrest a person, with or without a warrant, when the person is detected actually committing a violation of this chapter, subch. VI of ch. 77, or s. 167.10 (3), 287.81, 941.10 (1), 941.11, 941.12, 941.13, 943.02 (1), 943.03, 943.04, 943.05 or 943.06 (2).

It is critical to emphasize that the forest rangers will be accomplishing this mission and utilizing this authority under 287.81 for the Department only while on scene for forest fire suppression activities.

Thank you! Please contact me if you have any questions.

Danielle Wilson

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# SENATE AMENDMENT, TO 2007 SENATE BILL 284

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At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 4, line 2: after that line insert:

"Section 3m. 26.97 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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detected actually committing a violation of this chapter, subch. VI of ch. 77, or s.

167.10 (3), <u>287.81 (4)</u>, 941.10 (1), 941.11, 941.12, 941.13, 943.02 (1), 943.03, 943.04,

7 943.05 or 943.06 (2).". \( \sqrt{} \)

History: 1989 a. 79; 2003 a. 228.

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