

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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You requested a draft that regulates invasive species based upon certain aspects of Minnesota law. Because various Wisconsin statutes already regulate invasive species within a framework that is different from Minnesota law, this draft represents my attempt to incorporate the provisions of Minnesota law that you requested into the framework of the Wisconsin statutes. For example, you requested a provision that would make it unlawful to possess, purchase, or transport or introduce into this state, certain invasive species without a permit. Because current law already requires DNR to establish a statewide program to control invasive species under s. 23.22 (2), this draft makes the permit requirement one of the requirements of that statewide program. As requested, the draft also creates certain penalties for violations of the prohibitions created in the draft.

I have prepared this draft in preliminary form. Please review the draft very closely to ensure that it meets your intent. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions with regard to this draft.

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