

**ASSEMBLY BILL 131 (LRB -1138)**

An Act to create 29.164 (3m), 29.177 (7) and 29.192 (4c) of the statutes; relating to: issuance of certain hunting approvals to certain members of the U.S. armed forces. (FE)

2007

03-05. A. Introduced by Representatives **Nerison, Gunderson, J. Ott, Hraychuck, Bies, M. Williams, Mursau, Gundrum, Petrowski, Albers, Friske, Gronemus, Hahn, Jeskewitz, Kerkman, Meyer, Musser, A. Ott, Pridemore, Sheridan, Suder, Townsend and Vos**; cosponsored by Senators **Decker, Miller, Wirch, Kedzie, Schultz, Plale, Leibham, Grothman, Roessler, Breske, Darling, Erpenbach, Lassa and Sullivan**.

03-05. A. Read first time and referred to committee on Natural Resources ..... 82

03-20. A. Fiscal estimate received.

03-28. A. Public hearing held.

04-11. A. Executive action taken.

04-13. A. Report passage recommended by committee on Natural Resources, Ayes 13, Noes 0 ..... 119

04-13. A. Referred to committee on Rules ..... 120

04-19. A. Placed on calendar 4-24-2007 by committee on Rules.

04-24. A. Read a second time ..... 141

04-24. A. Referred to joint committee on Finance ..... 141

04-24. A. Withdrawn from joint committee on Finance and taken up ..... 141

04-24. A. Ordered to a third reading ..... 141

04-24. A. Rules suspended ..... 141

04-24. A. Read a third time and **passed**, Ayes 96, Noes 0 ..... 141

04-24. A. Ordered immediately messaged ..... 141

04-26. S. Received from Assembly ..... 190

04-26. S. Read first time and referred to committee on Environment and Natural Resources ..... 190

05-23. S. Public hearing held.

05-29. S. Executive action taken.

05-30. S. Report concurrence recommended by committee on Environment and Natural Resources, Ayes 5, Noes 0 ..... 236

05-30. S. Available for scheduling.

10-29. S. Placed on calendar 10-30-2007 by committee on Senate Organization.

10-30. S. Read a second time.

10-30. S. Senator Kapanke added as a cosponsor.

10-30. S. Ordered to a third reading.

10-30. S. Rules suspended.

10-30. S. Read a third time and **concurred in**, Ayes 33, Noes 0.

10-30. S. Ordered immediately messaged.

10-30. A. Received from Senate concurred in ..... 0

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1 **AN ACT to create** 29.164 (3m), 29.177 (7) and 29.192 (4c) of the statutes; **relating**  
2 **to:** issuance of certain hunting approvals to certain members of the U.S. armed  
3 forces.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, certain hunting licenses and permits (hunting approvals) are issued by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) based on a random or preference selection system. These hunting approvals include Canada goose hunting permits, Class A bear hunting licenses, wild turkey hunting licenses, elk hunting licenses, and special deer hunting permits, other than bonus deer hunting permits.

This bill allows DNR to issue wild turkey hunting licenses, Canada goose hunting permits, and hunter's choice and other special deer hunting permits to residents of the state who are in active service in the U.S. armed forces outside the state but who are on furlough or leave within the state. The bill prohibits DNR from imposing any deadlines or other restrictions on the timing for submitting applications for these hunting approvals or for issuing the approvals. If one of these hunting approvals is issued during the applicable hunting season, the approval must authorize hunting beginning on the date on which the approval is issued.

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For further information see the *state and local* 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:***

1           **SECTION 1.** 29.164 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:

2           **29.164 (3m)** WILD TURKEY HUNTING LICENSES ISSUED TO MEMBERS OF ARMED  
3           FORCES. (a) Notwithstanding sub. (3), the department may issue wild turkey hunting  
4           licenses and tags without requiring that the licenses and tags be issued pursuant to  
5           the cumulative preference system under sub. (3) to members of the U.S. armed forces  
6           who are all of the following:

- 7           1. Residents.  
8           2. In active service with the U.S. armed forces outside this state.  
9           3. On furlough or leave within the state.

10          (b) The department may not impose any deadline or other restriction on the  
11          timing for applications or issuing licenses or tags under this subsection. If a license  
12          and tag under this subsection are issued during the applicable hunting season, the  
13          license and tag shall authorize hunting beginning on the date of issuance.

14          (c) An applicant for a wild turkey hunting license under this subsection shall  
15          be eligible for the same number of wild turkey hunting tags for each applicable  
16          season time period as an applicant who is issued tags under the cumulative  
17          preference system under sub. (3).

18          **SECTION 2.** 29.177 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

19          **29.177 (7)** EXEMPTION FROM CUMULATIVE PREFERENCE SYSTEM. (a)  
20          Notwithstanding sub. (4), the department may issue special deer hunting permits  
21          without requiring that the permits be issued pursuant to the cumulative preference

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1 system under sub. (4) to members of the U.S. armed forces who are all of the  
2 following:

- 3 1. Residents.
- 4 2. In active service with the U.S. armed forces outside this state.
- 5 3. On furlough or leave within the state.

6 (b) The department may not impose any deadline or other restriction on the  
7 timing for permit applications or issuing permits under this subsection. If a permit  
8 under this subsection is issued during the applicable hunting season, the permit  
9 shall authorize hunting beginning on the date of issuance.

10 **SECTION 3.** 29.192 (4c) of the statutes is created to read:

11 29.192 (4c) (a) Notwithstanding sub. (4), the department may issue permits  
12 authorizing the hunting of Canada geese without requiring that the permits be  
13 issued pursuant to a cumulative preference system under sub. (4) to members of the  
14 U.S. armed forces who are all of the following:

- 15 1. Residents.
- 16 2. In active service with the U.S. armed forces outside this state.
- 17 3. On furlough or leave within the state.

18 (b) The department may not impose any deadline or other restriction on the  
19 timing for permit applications or issuing permits under this subsection. If a permit  
20 under this subsection is issued during the applicable hunting season, the permit  
21 shall authorize hunting beginning on the date of issuance.

22 (c) An applicant for a Canada goose hunting permit under this subsection shall  
23 be eligible for the same number of tags, if any are required, for each season as an

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**SECTION 3**

1 applicant who is issued a Canada goose hunting permit under the cumulative  
2 preference system under sub. (4).

3 (END)