2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 831

February 21, 2008 – Introduced by Representatives JORGENSEN, ALBERS and HAHN. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

AN ACT to amend 29.193 (2) (cr) 1. of the statutes; relating to: hunting deer of either sex by the holder of a Class B hunting permit.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is required to issue a Class A permit to any person holding a hunting license and who is permanently disabled due to not being able to walk or due to suffering significantly from lung or cardiovascular disease. DNR is required to issue a Class B permit to any person holding a hunting license who has a temporary disability which restricts his or her mobility or walking ability and who is wearing a cast due to a leg, hip, or back injury or leg, hip, or back surgery. DNR is authorized, but not required, to issue a Class B permit to a person who has another type of temporary disability that restricts mobility or that is due to illness, injury, or having had an operation. DNR is required to issue a Class C permit to any person who is visually handicapped.

Under current law, DNR may impose restrictions on the type or sex of deer that may be taken by a person holding a deer hunting license, including a requirement that a person kill an antlerless deer before killing one with antlers. Current law exempts a holder of a Class A or Class C permit from this restriction by providing that a holder of such a permit may hunt deer of either sex. This bill expands this exemption to include holders of Class B permits.
For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

Section 1. 29.193 (2) (cr) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

29.193 (2) (cr) 1. A person holding a current resident or nonresident deer hunting license and a Class A, Class B, or Class C permit may hunt deer of either sex with a firearm during any season open to hunting of deer with firearms that is established by the department.

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