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## 2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 138

An ACT to amend 15.05 (1) (c), 15.34 (2) (a) and 17.20 (1) of the statutes; relating to: the appointment and term of service of the secretary of natural resources and vacancies on the Natural Resources Board.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

Section 1. 15.05 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
15.05 (1) (c) The secretary of natural resources shall be nominated by the governor natural resources board, and with the advice and consent of the senate appointed, to serve at the pleasure of the governor for a 4-year term.

Section 2. 15.34 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
15.34 (2) (a) The natural resources board shall consist of 7 members appointed for staggered 6-year terms. Upon the expiration of the term of a member nominated after J anuary 2, 2011, the position that was held by the member is vacant.

Section 3. 17.20 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
17.20 (1) General. Vacancies in appointive state offices shall be filled by appointment by the appointing power and in the manner prescribed by law for making regular full term appointments thereto, and appointees to fill vacancies therein shall hold office for the residue of the unexpired term or, if no definite term of office is fixed by law, until their successors are appointed and qualify, except that an appointee to fill a vacancy in the office of secretary of natural resources is appointed to a full 4-year term beginning on the date of appointment and qualification.

## Section 4. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) The secretary of natural resources serving on the effective date of this subsection shall serve a 4-year term beginning on the date on which the secretary was appointed by the governor.

