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This is a redraft of 2007 Assembly Bill 497 which expanded the type of health care provider authorized to make certain injury, illness, or disability determinations. Accordingly, as in last session's bill, this draft authorizes the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to issue Class A, B, and C permits based upon the report of a certified advanced practice nurse prescriber, as well as a physician or chiropractor. Current law also authorizes DNR to issue a crossbow permit (see s. 29.171 (4), stats.) to persons with certain disabilities. Under current law, DNR may issue the permit if the applicant is unable to use a bow and arrow. An applicant may demonstrate this inability based upon certain standard tests administered by a licensed physician or licensed chiropractor. This draft does not amend current law to allow a certified advanced practice nurse prescriber to administer these tests in support of an application for a crossbow permit. Did you want to amend current law to allow advanced practice nurse prescribers to administer these tests?

Current law also authorizes DNR to issue a disabled person fishing license. See s. 29.193 (3). One of the ways that a person may qualify for this license is by producing a certificate from a licensed physician or optometrist documenting the person's visual impairment. Do you want to expand this provision to allow certified advanced practice nurse prescribers to complete such a certificate?

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions with regard to these issues.

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