

State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



2011 SENATE BILL 262

October 28, 2011 – Introduced by Senators Harsdorf, Galloway and Taylor, cosponsored by Representatives Spanbauer and T. Larson. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Environment.

AN ACT *to create* 30.12 (1n) of the statutes; **relating to:** a permit exemption for the placement of a pier containing a floating toilet facility in the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law generally prohibits any person from depositing any material or placing any structure upon the bed of a navigable water without a permit issued by the Department of Natural Resources. Under current law, certain deposits and structures are exempt from this permit requirement. For example, a riparian owner (a person who owns land adjacent to a navigable water) may place a pier on the bed of a navigable water if the pier meets certain size and location requirements.

This bill creates another exemption to the general permit requirement. Under this bill, no permit is required for the placement of a pier in a federally administered area of the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway if the pier is placed by the National Park Service, the pier contains a floating toilet facility, and the floating toilet facility meets specifications approved by the National Park Service.

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

SECTION 1. 30.12 (1n) of the statutes is created to read:

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30.12 (1n) FLOATING TOILET FACILITIES. (a) In this subsection, "national park
service" means the national park service, federal department of the interior.
(b) The placement of a pier that meets all of the following requirements is

exempt from the permit requirements under this section:

- 1. The pier contains a floating toilet facility that meets technical specifications approved by the national park service for floating toilet facilities.
- 2. The pier is owned and placed by the national park service along a federally owned shoreline in a federally administered area of the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.

10 (END)