



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2011 Wisconsin Act 149
[2011 Assembly Bill 104]

**Membership of the Natural
Resources Board**

2011 Wisconsin Act 149 creates additional requirements for the membership of the Natural Resources Board.

Under current law, the Natural Resources Board consists of seven members nominated by the Governor and, with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointed for six-year terms. Current law requires that at least three of the members be from north and at least three of the members be from south of a line running east and west through the southern limits of the City of Stevens Point.

Act 149 requires that, beginning on May 1, 2017, at least one member of the Natural Resources Board have an agricultural background.

Act 149 also requires that, beginning on May 1, 2017, at least three members of the Natural Resources Board have held a hunting, fishing, or trapping license in at least seven of the 10 years before the year of their nomination. If an individual served on active duty in the military during the 10 years before the year of their nomination, the number of years the individual is required to have held a hunting, fishing, or trapping license equals seven minus the number of years of active duty.

Effective date: Act 149 takes effect on April 7, 2012.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.