2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 225

May 19, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives WEATHERSTON, JACQUE, BALLWEG, E. BROOKS, CRAIG, CZAJA, HORLACHER, JARCHOW, KITCHENS, KLEEFISCH, KNODL, KRUG, KULP, T. LARSON, MURPHY and TITTL, cosponsored by Senators LASEE and COWLES. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage.

AN ACT to renumber and amend 29.927 (7); and to create 29.927 (7) (b) of the statutes; relating to: unattended decoys left in water.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, any decoy left unattended in the water is declared a public nuisance. Under this bill, an unattended decoy is not a public nuisance if it is left in a body of water to which all of the following apply: 1) it is self-contained; 2) it has no public access; and 3) it is located on and entirely surrounded by land privately owned by the same person.

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

SECTION 1. 29.927 (7) of the statutes is renumbered 29.927 (7) (a) and amended to read:

29.927 (7) (a) Any Except as provided in par. (b), any decoys left in the water unattended.

SECTION 2. 29.927 (7) (b) of the statutes is created to read:
29.927 (7) (b) A decoy left unattended in a body of water is not a public nuisance if all of the following apply:

1. The body of water is self-contained.
2. The body of water has no public access.
3. The body of water is located on and entirely surrounded by land privately owned by the same person.

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