



2015 SENATE BILL 361

October 29, 2015 – Introduced by Senator RISSER, cosponsored by Representatives SINICKI, SARGENT, OHNSTAD, WACHS, POPE, BERCEAU and C. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Sporting Heritage, Mining, and Forestry.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 29.089 (1m) (a); and *to create* 29.089 (1m) (c) of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** prohibiting the use of certain trapping devices in state parks.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with certain exceptions, state parks are open to trapping by persons who hold the appropriate license, permit, or other approval from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). DNR may prohibit trapping in a state park or a portion of a state park if the prohibition applies within 100 yards of a designated use area or if DNR determines that the prohibition is necessary to protect public safety or a unique animal or plant community.

This bill prohibits persons from setting, operating, or otherwise using a steel-jawed trap, a body-gripping trap, or a snare to trap an animal in a state park.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 29.089 (1m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 29.089 (1m) (a) Except as provided in ~~par.~~ pars. (b) and (c), state parks shall
5 be open to hunting, fishing, and trapping by persons who hold the appropriate
6 approvals required under this chapter.

