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2019 SENATE BILL 296

June 21, 2019 - Introduced by Senators COWLES, MILLER, CARPENTER, HANSEN, LARSON, OLSEN, PETROWSKI, RINGHAND and SMITH, cosponsored by Representatives MURSAU, MILROY, ANDERSON, CONSIDINE, CROWLEY, EDMING, EMERSON, GRUSZYNSKI, HESSELBEIN, KULP, B. MEYERS, OHNSTAD, OTT, POPE, RAMTHUN, RODRIGUEZ, SARGENT, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SNYDER, SPIROS, SPREITZER, TAUCHEN, C. TAYLOR, THIESFELDT and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 20.370 (1) (mu); and **to create** 23.118 of the statutes; **relating**
2 **to:** signs informing about Lyme disease in state parks, state trails, state
3 recreational areas, and state forests and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources, in consultation with the Department of Health Services, to design signs to raise awareness of Lyme disease, inform about how to prevent tick bites, and encourage people to check for ticks after visits to state parks, state trails, state recreational areas, and state forests. The bill requires DNR to post at least one sign in each state park, state trail, state recreational area, and state forest in a common area where it is most likely to be seen by visitors, such as a park entrance, trailhead, or campground. The bill appropriates \$12,500 in fiscal year 2019-20 for this purpose.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 20.370 (1) (mu) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 20.370 (1) (mu) *General program operations — state funds.* The amounts in
6 the schedule for general program operations that are conducted under ss. 23.09 to

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1 23.11, 27.01, 30.203, 30.277, and 90.21, and chs. 29 and 169, for activities conducted
2 under the ecological inventory and monitoring program of the endangered resources
3 program, for the aquatic and terrestrial resources inventory under s. 23.09 (2) (km),
4 for providing the signage required under s. 23.118, and for payments of \$53,700 in
5 each fiscal year, to be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.285 (1) (k),
6 to the University of Wisconsin System for outdoor skills training under s. 29.598.

7 **SECTION 2.** 23.118 of the statutes is created to read:

8 **23.118 Signage required.** The department shall, in consultation with the
9 department of health services, design signs to raise awareness of Lyme disease,
10 inform about how to prevent tick bites, and encourage people to check for ticks after
11 visits to state parks, state trails, state recreational areas, and campgrounds. No
12 later than the first day of the 6th month beginning after the effective date of this
13 section ... [LRB inserts date], the department shall post at least one such sign in each
14 state park, state trail, state recreational area, and state forest. The department shall
15 post the sign in a common area where it is most likely to be seen by visitors, such as
16 a park entrance, trailhead, or campground.

17 **SECTION 3. Fiscal changes.**

18 (1) LYME DISEASE AWARENESS SIGNAGE. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the
19 appropriation to the department of natural resources under s. 20.370 (1) (mu), the
20 dollar amount for fiscal year 2019-20 is increased by \$12,500 for the purpose of
21 providing the signage required under s. 23.118.

22 (END)