Assembly Bill 286

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CHAPTER 302, LAWS OF 1967

AN ACT to renumber and revise 25.29; and to create 20.280 (1) (uh) of the statutes, making an appropriation to Canadian agencies for the propagation, management and control of migratory waterfowl.

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

SECTION 1. At the appropriate place in the schedule of 20.005 of the statutes insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

		1967-68	1968-69
Conservation commission	20.280		
Fish and game operations	(1)		
Contributions to Canadian			
agencies	(uh) C	\$	-\$
SECTION 2. 20.280 (1) (uh) o	of the statutes	is created to	read:

20.280 (1) (uh) Contribution to Canadian agencies. One dollar of each fee received for licenses specified in s. 29.12 (2) and (3) to be contributed by the commission to proper agencies in Canada for the propagation, management and control of migratory waterfowl.

SECTION 3. 25.29 of the statutes is renumbered 25.29 (1) to (6) and revised to read:

25.29 CONSERVATION FUND. Except for fines and moneys payable to the reforestation fund, all moneys accruing to the state for or in behalf of the state conservation commission, including grants received from the federal government or any of its agencies, shall constitute the "Conservation Fund" and, unless otherwise provided by law, shall be paid, within one week after receipt into the state treasury and credited to said fund.

(1) License fees and other state moneys collected by each field employe of the conservation commission shall be remitted to the commission within one month after receipt together with a report of the number of licenses issued and details covering the type and the amount of money remitted.

(2) Funds accruing to the conservation fund from license fees paid by hunters and from sport and recreation fishing license fees shall not be diverted for any other purpose than those provided by the conservation commission, except as provided in s. 20.280 (1) (uh) and except that the commission shall spend for acquisition and leasing of public hunting and fishing grounds not less than an amount equal to the revenue received from that portion of the fee paid for each sportsman's license which exceeds \$7.50.

(3) No money shall be expended or paid from the conservation fund except in pursuance of an appropriation by law.

(4) A gift or bequest shall be used in accordance with the directions of the donor.

(5) All moneys received from the United States for fire prevention and control, forest planting and other forestry activities, and for wildlife restoration projects and for other purposes, and as provided in s. 29.174 (13), shall be devoted to the purposes for which these moneys are received.

(6) All of the proceeds of the tax which is levied under s. 70.58 (2), and all moneys paid into the state treasury as the counties' share of

compensation of emergency fire wardens pursuant to s. 26.14 shall be used for acquiring, preserving and developing the forests of the state, including the acquisition of lands owned by counties by virtue of any tax deed and of other lands suitable for state forests, and for the development of lands so acquired and the conduct of forestry thereon, including the growing and planting of trees; for forest and marsh fire prevention and control; for compensation of emergency fire wardens; for maintenance, permanent property and forestry improvements; for other forestry purposes authorized by law and for the payment of aid for county forests as authorized in s. 28.11.

(a) Eight per cent of the tax which is levied under s. 70.58 (2) or of the funds provided for in lieu of such levy shall be used to acquire and develop state forest lands within areas approved by the conservation commission and the governor and located within the region composed of Manitowoc, Calumet, Winnebago, Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Ozaukee, Washington, Dodge, Milwaukee, Waukesha, Jefferson, Racine, Kenosha, Walworth, Rock and Outagamie counties.

(b) Four per cent of the tax levied under s. 70.58 (2), or of the funds provided in lieu of such levy shall be used for the purchase of state forest lands within areas approved by the conservation commission and the governor and located within the region specified above.

Approved January 3, 1968.