

1977 Assembly Bill 445

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## CHAPTER 326, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to amend 1.10 of the statutes, relating to making the honey bee the state insect.

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

SECTION 1. 1.10 of the statutes is amended to read:

**1.10 State song and state symbols.** The Wisconsin state song is "On, Wisconsin", music written by W. T. Purdy, the words to which are as follows: "On, Wisconsin! On, Wisconsin! Grand old badger state! We, thy loyal sons and daughters, Hail thee, good and great. On, Wisconsin! On, Wisconsin! Champion of the right, 'Forward', our motto--God will give thee might!". The state symbols are as follows: The mourning dove (*zenaidura macroura corolinensis linnaus*) is the symbol of peace; the Wisconsin state tree is the sugar maple (*acer saccharum*); the Wisconsin state flower is the wood violet (*viola papilionacea*); the Wisconsin state bird is the robin (*turdus migratorius*); the Wisconsin state fish is the muskellunge (*Esox masquinongy masquinongy Mitchell*); the Wisconsin state animal is the badger (*taxidea taxus*); the Wisconsin domestic animal is the dairy cow (*bos taurus*); the Wisconsin wildlife animal is the white-tailed deer (*odocoileus virginianus*); the Wisconsin state insect is the honey bee (*apis mellifera*); the Wisconsin state mineral is the galena (lead sulphide) and the Wisconsin state rock is the red granite. The Wisconsin Blue Book shall include the information contained in this section concerning the state song, tree, flower, bird, fish, animal, domestic animal, wildlife animal, insect, mineral and rock.

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