



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

LRB-0888/P1
EHS:cjs

DOA:.....Vencill, BB0081 - Aquatic plant management appropriation

FOR 2023-2025 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

NATURAL RESOURCES

FISH, GAME, AND WILDLIFE

Aquatic plant management

Under current law, without a valid aquatic plant management permit issued by DNR, no person may introduce nonnative aquatic plants into waters of this state, manually remove aquatic plants from navigable waters, or control aquatic plants in waters of this state by the use of chemicals or by introducing biological agents, by using a process that involves dewatering, desiccation, burning, or freezing, or by using mechanical means. Under current law, DNR establishes fees for aquatic plant management permits, and those fees are deposited into a general fund appropriation used for facilities, materials, or services provided by DNR relating to its environmental quality functions and to the management of the state's water resources. Under this bill, those fees are deposited into a general fund appropriation used solely for the aquatic plant management permit program.

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:

SECTION 1. 20.370 (4) (kg) of the statutes is created to read:

20.370 (4) (kg) *Aquatic plant management.* From the general fund, all moneys received from aquatic plant management permit fees under s. 23.24 (3) (c) for the aquatic plant management permit program under s. 23.24 (3).

***NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

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