



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 50
[2007 Assembly Bill 454]

**Issuance of Federal Hunting,
Fishing, and Trapping Approvals**

2007 Wisconsin Act 50 authorizes the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to issue federal approvals for hunting, trapping, and fishing.

Background Information

Federal permits or stamps are required, in addition to state approvals, in order to hunt certain species. For example, a federal duck stamp is required for a person who hunts migratory waterfowl, in addition to the state waterfowl hunting stamp and the license to hunt migratory birds. Federal stamps are available at post offices and at some sporting goods stores. Some federal properties, such as Fort McCoy, require a permit in order to hunt, fish, or trap within the boundaries of the property, which are now only available on that particular property.

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2007 Wisconsin Act 50 authorizes the DNR to enter contracts with the federal government in order to allow the DNR, through the automated license issuance system (ALIS), to issue federal fish and game approvals. The Act authorizes DNR to enter a contract with the federal government for this purpose. The contract between DNR and the federal government must specify the total fees for each approval, the amount of the fee retained by the DNR for each type of approval issued by the DNR, and the amount of the fee retained by the DNR to be paid to the automated license system as fees for issuing the approvals.

The Act requires the federal government to prepare, print, and supply all necessary forms in order for the approvals to be issued by the DNR. The DNR is required to keep a complete record of all approvals it issues.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.