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2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 831

February 21, 2008 - Introduced by Representatives JORGENSEN, ALBERS and HAHN. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 29.193 (2) (cr) 1. of the statutes; **relating to:** hunting deer of either sex by the holder of a Class B hunting permit.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is required to issue a Class A permit to any person holding a hunting license and who is permanently disabled due to not being able to walk or due to suffering significantly from lung or cardiovascular disease. DNR is required to issue a Class B permit to any person holding a hunting license who has a temporary disability which restricts his or her mobility or walking ability and who is wearing a cast due to a leg, hip, or back injury or leg, hip, or back surgery. DNR is authorized, but not required, to issue a Class B permit to a person who has another type of temporary disability that restricts mobility or that is due to illness, injury, or having had an operation. DNR is required to issue a Class C permit to any person who is visually handicapped.

Under current law, DNR may impose restrictions on the type or sex of deer that may be taken by a person holding a deer hunting license, including a requirement that a person kill an antlerless deer before killing one with antlers. Current law exempts a holder of a Class A or Class C permit from this restriction by providing that a holder of such a permit may hunt deer of either sex. This bill expands this exemption to include holders of Class B permits.

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

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

Section 1. 29.193 (2) (cr) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

29.193 (2) (cr) 1. A person holding a current resident or nonresident deer hunting license and a Class A, Class B, or Class C permit may hunt deer of either sex with a firearm during any season open to hunting of deer with firearms that is established by the department.

6 (END)