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2017 SENATE BILL 247

May 11, 2017 - Introduced by Senators Petrowski, Cowles and Olsen, cosponsored by Representatives Spiros, Kleefisch, Horlacher, Mursau, Skowronski, Thiesfeldt, Tusler and Weatherston. Referred to Committee on Sporting Heritage, Mining and Forestry.

- 1 AN ACT to create 167.31 (4) (j) of the statutes; relating to: authorizing hunting
- from a mechanized lift attached to a motor vehicle.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill authorizes a person to hunt from a motor vehicle equipped with a mechanized lift.

Under current law, no person may place, possess, or transport a loaded firearm, a cocked crossbow, or a bow with a nocked arrow in or on a vehicle. Under current law, no person may load a firearm, discharge a firearm, or shoot a bolt or an arrow from a bow or crossbow in or from a vehicle. Under this bill, these prohibitions do not apply to a person legally hunting from a platform elevated by a mechanized lift attached to a motor vehicle equipped with stabilizers, subject to certain requirements.

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

- 3 **Section 1.** 167.31 (4) (j) of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 167.31 (4) (j) Subsection (2) (b) and (c) does not apply to a person legally hunting
- from a platform elevated by a mechanized lift attached to a motor vehicle equipped
- 6 with stabilizers if all of the following apply:

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- 1. The lift, platform, and stabilizers are each commercially manufactured in compliance with applicable standards of the American National Standards Institute.
- 2. The vehicle is parked and the motor used to drive the vehicle is not in operation.
 - 3. The stabilizers are deployed and in full contact with the ground.
 - 4. The lift is in a raised position and the platform is stationary.
 - 5. The person is on the platform.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

- (1) This act first applies to a person hunting on the effective date of this subsection.
- 11 (END)