

State of Wisconsin



2015 Assembly Bill 527

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2015 WISCONSIN ACT 225

AN ACT *to create* 29.322 of the statutes; **relating to:** authorizing a person to shoot to kill an animal wounded by certain hunters.

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

SECTION 1. 29.322 of the statutes is created to read:
29.322 Taking certain wounded animals. (1) In this section:

(a) "Accompanying hunter" means a person who is an adult, who holds any valid hunting approval, and who is hunting with a youth or mentee.

(b) "Mentee" means a person hunting with a qualified mentor as provided under s. 29.592.

(c) "Youth" means a person under the age of 18.

(2) An accompanying hunter may kill an animal shot and wounded by a youth or mentee with whom the accompanying hunter is hunting if all of the following apply:

(a) The youth or mentee shot and wounded the animal while lawfully hunting with the accompanying hunter.

(b) The youth or mentee requests, after learning that the animal was wounded, that the accompanying hunter kill the animal.

(c) The accompanying hunter kills the animal with a type of weapon authorized for use by the youth or mentee during the hunting season in which the youth or mentee is lawfully hunting.

(3) For the purposes of this chapter, including for purposes of applying bag, possession, and size limits, an animal killed by an accompanying hunter under sub. (2) shall be treated by the department as if killed by the youth or mentee for whom the animal was killed and not by the accompanying hunter.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."