



## 1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 913

March 16, 1998 - Introduced by Representatives REYNOLDS, URBAN, R. YOUNG and TURNER. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 29.22 (2); and **to create** 29.22 (2) (a) and 29.22  
2 (2) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** visibility of clothing worn while hunting.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, during the season for hunting deer using firearms, no person may hunt any game except waterfowl without at least 50% of his or her outer clothing above the waist being colored blaze orange. Under this bill, a person hunting deer with a bow and arrow during deer bow hunting season may wear clothing that has a blaze orange area at least 100 square inches in size and that is either a cap or similar headgear or that is visible from any angle or he or she may wear clothing that meets the 50% requirement.

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:*

3 **SECTION 1.** 29.22 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 29.22 (2) (b) and amended  
4 to read:

5 29.22 (2) (b) In the areas in which there is a season for the hunting of deer with  
6 firearms, no person may hunt any game except waterfowl during the season for the

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1 hunting of deer with firearms unless at least 50% of the person's outer clothing above  
2 the waist is of a highly visible color ~~commonly referred to as hunter orange, blaze~~  
3 ~~orange, fluorescent orange, flame orange or fluorescent blaze orange.~~

4 (d) Any person violating this subsection is subject to a forfeiture of not more  
5 than \$10.

6 **SECTION 2.** 29.22 (2) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

7 29.22 (2) (a) In this subsection, "highly visible color" means a color commonly  
8 referred to as hunter orange, blaze orange, fluorescent orange, flame orange or  
9 fluorescent blaze orange.

10 **SECTION 3.** 29.22 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

11 29.22 (2) (c) In the areas in which there is a season for the hunting of deer with  
12 a bow and arrow, no person may hunt deer during the open season for the hunting  
13 of deer with bows and firearms unless any of the following applies:

14 1. The person is wearing a cap, hat or similar headgear that is at least 100  
15 square inches in size and is of a highly visible color.

16 2. At least 100 square inches of the person's outer clothing above the waist is  
17 of a highly visible color and can be seen from any angle.

18 3. The person's outer clothing complies with par. (a).

19 (END)