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January 18, 2005 - Introduced by Representatives AINSWORTH, FRISKE, ALBERS, FREESE, GUNDERSON, HAHN, HINES, HUNDERTMARK, LEMAHIEU, MEYER, MUSSER, OTT, OWENS, PETROWSKI, TOWNSEND, VRAKAS and NERISON, cosponsored by Senators KEDZIE, GROTHMAN and LASSA. Referred to Committee on Forestry.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 28.11 (5) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** the plan period for
2 county forest land use plans.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a county board may enact an ordinance designating a committee to manage lands designated as county forests in that county. A comprehensive county forest land use plan must be prepared for the county forest land by that committee. The plan must include land use designations, land acquisition, forest protection, annual allowable timber harvests, recreational developments, projects to be undertaken during the plan period, and other information. The plan must be prepared for a 10-year period and must be revised when the plan period expires.

This bill requires that each county forest land use plan be prepared for a 15-year period rather than a 10-year period. It also requires that the plan be revised every 15 years. The bill specifies that if the plan is not revised, the plan remains in effect until it is revised and the revised plan takes effect.

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

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 28.11 (5) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

