



## 2013 ASSEMBLY BILL 397

October 1, 2013 – Introduced by Representatives STRACHOTA, BORN, NASS, RIPP and VRUWINK, cosponsored by Senators GROTHMAN, MOULTON and L. TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage.

1     **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 29.314 (1) (a); *to amend* 29.314 (4) (b) 2. and  
2           29.314 (5) (b) 2.; and *to create* 29.314 (1) (ac) of the statutes; **relating to:**  
3           shining wild animals.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current law generally prohibits a person from using, or possessing with intent to use, a light for shining wild animals while hunting or while in possession of a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow. Current law also generally prohibits a person from using, or possessing with intent to use, a light for shining wild animals between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. from September 15 to December 31. One exception to these prohibitions is that a person may possess a handheld flashlight or use a handheld flashlight at the point of kill while hunting on foot for wolves or for raccoons, foxes, coyotes, or other unprotected animals during the open season for the animals hunted.

This bill specifies that a person may also possess or use at the point of kill a battery operated light designed to be affixed to clothing or a part of the body or mounted to the scope of a firearm while hunting on foot for wolves or for raccoons, foxes, coyotes, or other unprotected animals during the open season for the animals hunted.

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

