



2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 825

January 29, 2016 - Introduced by Representatives KRUG and A. OTT, cosponsored by Senator LASSA. Referred to Committee on Environment and Forestry.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 281.14 (2) (intro.) of the statutes; **relating to:** a study to
2 implement methods to reduce the amount of nutrients introduced into the
3 Wisconsin River and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill authorizes the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to implement methods to reduce the amounts of nutrients introduced into the Wisconsin River from the headwaters of the river to the Castle Rock Flowage dam. The bill requires DNR to implement these methods based upon the results of a study that DNR is required to conduct under current law.

The bill also appropriates amounts from the general fund for project positions to implement the study.

For further information see the *state* 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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 281.14 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 281.14 (2) (intro.) The department shall conduct a program to monitor and
6 study the introduction of nutrients from point sources and nonpoint sources into the

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1 Wisconsin River from the headwaters of the river to the Castle Rock Flowage dam.
2 The department shall, based upon the results of its study, implement methods to
3 reduce the amounts of nutrients introduced into the river. The department shall
4 seek to do all of the following under this subsection:

SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.

6 (1) The authorized FTE positions for the department of natural resources are
7 increased by 2.0 GPR project positions, to be funded from the appropriation under
8 section 20.370 (3) (ma) of the statutes, for the purpose of implementing the study
9 under section 281.14 (2) of the statutes, as affected by this act, for the period
10 beginning on July 1, 2017, and ending on June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3. Fiscal changes.

12 (1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation
13 to the department of natural resources under section 20.370 (3) (ma) of the statutes,
14 as affected by the acts of 2015, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2017-18 is increased
15 by \$74,394 to fund 2.0 FTE GPR project positions authorized under SECTION 2 of this
16 act. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to
17 the natural resources under section 20.370 (3) (ma) of the statutes, as affected by the
18 acts of 2015, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2018-19 is increased by \$74,394 to fund
19 2.0 FTE GPR project positions authorized under SECTION 2 of this act.

SECTION 4. Effective date.

21 (1) This act takes effect on the 2nd day after publication of the 2017-19 biennial
22 budget act.

23 (END)