State of Misconsin



2023 Senate Bill 208

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2023 WISCONSIN ACT 51

AN ACT *to amend* 114.002 (18m) (intro.) and 167.31 (2) (d); and *to create* 29.314 (3) (b) 5., 29.314 (4) (b) 5., 29.314 (5) (b) 5., 167.31 (4) (k) and 941.20 (3) (b) 3. of the statutes; **relating to:** nuisance wildlife management at airports and modifying administrative rules of the Department of Natural Resources.

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

SECTION 1. 29.314 (3) (b) 5. of the statutes is created to read:

29.314 (3) (b) 5. To designated personnel at a public-use airport, as defined in s. 114.002 (18m), or an airport under the exclusive control of the national guard or U.S. department of defense, for the purposes of nuisance wildlife management and control when authorized by state or federal permits. "Designated personnel" includes any person who is acting within the scope of his or her employment or employer and who is an employee or contractor of the airport or the local government that operates the airport or a federal employee or agent.

SECTION 2. 29.314 (4) (b) 5. of the statutes is created to read:

29.314 (4) (b) 5. To designated personnel at a public-use airport, as defined in s. 114.002 (18m), or an airport under the exclusive control of the national guard or U.S. department of defense, for the purposes of nuisance wildlife management and control when authorized by state or federal permits. "Designated personnel" includes any person who is acting within the scope of his or her employment or employer and who is an employee

or contractor of the airport or the local government that operates the airport or a federal employee or agent.

SECTION 3. 29.314 (5) (b) 5. of the statutes is created to read:

29.314 (5) (b) 5. To designated personnel at a public-use airport, as defined in s. 114.002 (18m), or an airport under the exclusive control of the national guard or U.S. department of defense, for the purposes of nuisance wildlife management and control when authorized by state or federal permits. "Designated personnel" includes any person who is acting within the scope of his or her employment or employer and who is an employee or contractor of the airport or the local government that operates the airport or a federal employee or agent.

SECTION 3m. 114.002 (18m) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

114.002 (**18m**) (intro.) "Public-use airport" means any of the following as provided in 49 USC $\frac{2202}{47102}$ (22):

SECTION 4. 167.31 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

167.31 (2) (d) Except as provided in sub. (4) (a), (bg), (cg), (e), (fm), and (g), and (k), no person may discharge a firearm or shoot a bolt or an arrow from a bow

^{*} 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."

or crossbow from or across a highway or within 50 feet of the center of a roadway.

SECTION 5. 167.31 (4) (k) of the statutes is created to read:

167.31 (4) (k) Subsection (2) does not apply to designated personnel at a public-use airport, as defined in s. 114.002 (18m), or an airport under the exclusive control of the national guard or U.S. department of defense, for the purposes of nuisance wildlife management and control when authorized by state or federal permits. "Designated personnel" includes any person who is acting within the scope of his or her employment or employer and who is an employee or contractor of the airport or the local government that operates the airport or a federal employee or agent.

SECTION 6. 941.20 (3) (b) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

941.20 (3) (b) 3. Paragraph (a) does not apply to designated personnel at a public-use airport, as defined

in s. 114.002 (18m), or an airport under the exclusive control of the national guard or U.S. department of defense, for the purposes of nuisance wildlife management and control when authorized by state or federal permits. "Designated personnel" includes any person who is acting within the scope of his or her employment or employer and who is an employee or contractor of the airport or the local government that operates the airport or a federal employee or agent.

SECTION 7m. NR 12.10 (3) (f) of the administrative code is created to read:

NR 12.10 (3) (f) *Shooting hours*. The department may exempt a permittee from shooting hours established under s. NR 10.06 if the exemption is used to assist designated personnel at a public-use airport, as defined in s. 114.002 (18m), Stats., or an airport under the exclusive control of the national guard or U.S. department of defense, in conducting nuisance wildlife management and control when authorized by state or federal permits.