

State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

2025 ASSEMBLY BILL 16

February 6, 2025 - Introduced by JOINT COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES. Referred to Committee on Environment.

1 AN ACT relating to: repealing an administrative rule of the Department of

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Natural Resources related to the possession of firearms.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Natural Resources is charged with establishing and maintaining open and closed seasons for fish and game. Under a current rule of DNR relating to the possession or control of firearms while on the waters, banks, or shores in the inland and outlying waters of Wisconsin, no person may possess or control any firearm, gun, or similar device at any time while on the waters, banks, or shores that might be used for the purpose of fishing.

This bill is introduced as required by s. 227.26 (2) (f), stats., in support of the action of the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules in suspending s. NR 20.05 (2), a rule of the Department of Natural Resources, on December 17, 2024.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** NR 20.05 (2) of the administrative code is repealed.

4 SECTION 2. Effective date.

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1 (1) This act takes effect as provided in s. 227.265.

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