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AN ACT to amend 20.370 (1) (vm), 23.09 (12) (a) and (b) and 29.61 (1) and (2) of the statutes, relating to payment of bounties.

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

SECTION 1. 20.370 (1) (vm) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.370 (1) (vm) County conservation aids. The amounts in the schedule for county fish and game projects or county bounty payments under s. 23.09 (12). An amount, from funds allocated to counties by s. 23.09 (12) (c) not to exceed \$10,000 of the unencumbered balance on June 30 of each year shall be carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year to provide for prior year contingencies.

SECTION 2. 23.09 (12) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

23.09 (12) (a) The county board of any county which, by resolution, indicates its desire to plan and carry out a program of coordinated fish management projects, or county bounties on wild animals may make application

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to the department for the allocation and apportionment of funds for state aids appropriated for such purposes by s. 20.370 (1) (vm).

(b) Fish management projects and game management projects and county bounty payments include but are not limited because of enumeration to: game food seeding; browse improvement cutting; prescribed burning for game habitat improvement; creating game cover brush piles; creation of impoundments, construction, nature trails; game and fish habitat creation or improvement; lake, stream and spring pond rehabilitation and improvement; construction of fish shelters; stream side fencing; rough fish control; and other approved fish and game management projects and the payment of bounties by the county under s. 29.61.

SECTION 3. 29.61 (1) and (2) of the statutes are amended to read:

- 29.61 (1) The governing body of any county, town, city or village may direct that every person who shall kill any crow, or any sharp-shinned or Cooper's hawk, or kills any pocket gopher, or any streaked gopher, or any black, brown, gray or Norway rat, commonly known as the house rat or barn rat, or any rattlesnake, or any ground hog or any woodchuck, or any mole, or any red or grey fox, or any wolf, or any coyote, or any wildcat, or any lynx, or any weasel shall be entitled to a reward as determined by the governing board of any county, town, city or village.
- (2) Any person claiming such reward shall exhibit the bill of the crow or hawk, or the ears of the gopher or woodchuck, at least half of the body including the rattles of the rattlesnake, or head of any other animal on which a bounty is payable to an officer designated by such governing body in its ordinance or resolution providing for such reward, and present an affidavit to such officer stating that said bill, ears, body or head are of the animal killed by him, and that he has not spared the life of any such animal or bird within his power to kill. Such officer shall then issue a certificate in the following form:

STATE OF WISCONSIN, County of

I, (designation of officer), do certify that has this day exhibited to me the head (or bill, or body, or ears) of, which he claims to have killed in said (town, city, village), and that the head (or bill, or body, or ears) of said was (were) destroyed in my presence, and that the said is on presentation of this certificate to the (town, city, village) clerk within 20 days from the date hereof, entitled to an order on the (town, city, village) treasurer for the sum of dollars, to be drawn from the general fund of said (town, city, village).

Dated this day of, 19...

... (Designation of Officer)