

1977 Senate Bill 544

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## CHAPTER 242, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to create 29.106 of the statutes, relating to deer hunting by practitioners of the Winnebago religion, granting rule-making authority and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. 29.106 of the statutes is created to read:

**29.106 Deer hunting by practitioners of Winnebago religion.** (1) Persons who are enrolled members of the Winnebago Indian tribe and residents of this state and who practice the traditional Winnebago religion may hunt deer during daylight hours for the members' use in religious ceremonies without obtaining licenses under this chapter. Each hunting party shall be designated by the respective clan. Each clan leader shall obtain permission for deer hunting under this section from the department not less than 24 hours prior to each hunt.

(2) The department shall promulgate rules necessary to control the conditions and location under which hunting under this section may take place. The department may deny permission for hunting under this section when it determines that such a denial is necessary to effectively manage the deer population. The number of deer taken by all of the Winnebago clans for religious purposes during any calendar year shall be established by the department, by rule, when necessary to effectively manage the deer population. Hunting privileges under this section may not be exercised during the regular open season for deer.

(3) Nothing in this section may be construed to eliminate any requirement that a landowner's permission must be obtained prior to hunting on his or her land.

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