

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 162 [2005 Senate Bill 560]

Authority of a Warden to Kill Certain Dogs That Injure Wildlife (Remedial Legislation)

Prior law authorized designated officers, including wardens, to intentionally kill a dog under specified conditions if the officer was acting in the lawful performance of his or her designated duties.

2005 Wisconsin Act 162 corrects the cross-reference in this list of duties to a warden's authority to kill a dog found running, injuring, or killing any deer or elk or destroying game birds or their eggs or nests if immediate action is necessary to protect these animals, eggs, or nests from injury or death.

2005 Senate Bill 560 was suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Natural Resources.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: http://www.legis.state.wi.us/.