

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 35 [2005 Assembly Bill 179]

Ban on Hunting on the Internet

Act 35 adds a prohibition to the current statutes that regulate facilities where farm-raised deer and captive wild animals are kept. The Act prohibits the following:

- Shooting or shooting at a farm-raised deer or captive wild animal unless the person is in physical possession of the weapon.
- Providing or offering to provide an opportunity to hunt a farm-raised deer or captive wild animal if the hunter is not in physical possession of the weapon.

The effect of the Act is to prohibit hunting on the Internet, in which a firearm would be set up at a deer farm or captive wild animal facility in Wisconsin, and controlled by a person using a computer that is located elsewhere.

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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/.