



1995 SENATE BILL 52

January 31, 1995 - Introduced by Senator A. LASEE, cosponsored by Representative HUTCHISON. Referred to Committee on Environment and Energy.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 30.92 (4) (b) 8. b.; and **to create** 30.92 (4) (b) 10. of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** acquisition of equipment for the cutting and removing of nuisance
3 aquatic plants.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of natural resources (DNR) administers a cost-share program that provides funding for recreational boating projects that are approved by the Wisconsin waterways commission. Under current law, the acquisition of equipment to cut and remove aquatic nuisance plants is a project eligible for funding if the cutting is pursuant to a plan approved by DNR and if the cutting will occur on an inland body of water, that is other than on Lake Michigan or Lake Superior. The bill eliminates the geographical restriction.

Also, under current law, the funding under this cost-share program is allocated so that 40% of the funding is for projects on inland waters, 40% of the funding is for projects on the Great Lakes and 20% of the funding is for projects regardless of their location. Under this bill, the acquisition of this equipment for aquatic nuisance plants that will be used on the Great Lakes must come from the 40% allocation for Great Lakes projects.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 30.92 (4) (b) 8. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

