



2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 788

February 2, 2004 – Introduced by Representatives JOHNSRUD, GUNDERSON, MILLER, BOYLE, LADWIG, MUSSER, OWENS, FREESE, HINES, AINSWORTH and TOWNSEND, cosponsored by Senators SCHULTZ, ROESSLER and LASSA. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 29.011 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** the legal title to wild
2 animals illegally killed or possessed.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the legal title to a wild animal or carcass taken or possessed in violation of the provisions regarding hunting, fishing, or trapping remains with the state. The legal title to a wild animal or carcass legally taken or possessed belongs to the person who has the wild animal or carcass unless he or she later violates a provision related to the possession, use, sale, or transportation of the wild animal or carcass.

This bill adds that the legal title to a wild animal or carcass remains with the state if the wild animal or carcass is taken while violating the provisions regulating the use and transportation of firearms and bows or while trespassing on land.

For further information see the *state* 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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 29.011 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 29.011 (2) The legal title to a wild animal or carcass, taken or reduced to
5 possession in violation of this chapter, or while violating s. 167.31 or 943.13, remains

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1 in the state. The title to a wild animal or carcass, lawfully acquired, is subject to the
2 condition that upon the violation of this chapter relating to the possession, use,
3 giving, sale, barter or transportation of a wild animal or carcass by the owner, the
4 ownership shall revert, as a result of the violation, to the state.

5 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

6 (1) This act first applies to violations committed on the effective date of this
7 subsection.

8 (END)