



State of Wisconsin  
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## 2017 SENATE BILL 557

November 20, 2017 - Introduced by Senators MOULTON, MILLER, BEWLEY, CARPENTER, ERPENBACH, HANSEN, JOHNSON, LARSON, MARKLEIN, TESTIN, VINEHOUT, L. TAYLOR and OLSEN, cosponsored by Representatives MILROY, KLEEFISCH, ALLEN, ANDERSON, BERCEAU, BERNIER, BOWEN, CONSIDINE, CROWLEY, FIELDS, GENRICH, HEBL, HESSELBEIN, HINTZ, KREMER, KRUG, MEYERS, MURSAU, OTT, POPE, RIPP, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SPIROS, SPREITZER, THIESFELDT, TITTL, TRANEL, TUSLER, VRUWINK, WACHS, ZAMARRIPA, ZEPNICK and KITCHENS. Referred to Committee on Sporting Heritage, Mining and Forestry.

- 1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.370 (1) (hz) and 29.568 of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             voluntary contributions to pay for hunting and fishing approvals for disabled  
3             veterans and making an appropriation.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill provides that any person may make a voluntary contribution to the Department of Natural Resources to be used to cover any portion of the costs of a hunting or fishing approval issued to a disabled veteran who is a resident of this state. The bill requires that, if DNR has received voluntary contributions for the purpose, DNR shall waive or reduce to the maximum extent possible the fee for any hunting or fishing approval issued to a disabled veteran.

Under current law, DNR issues various licenses, permits, and other approvals authorizing hunting and fishing and disabled veterans are issued certain approvals for a reduced fee. For this purpose, current law defines "disabled veteran" to mean a veteran who is receiving disability compensation benefits for disabilities that result in a disability rating that is 50 percent or greater or who is receiving disability compensation benefits due to being individually unemployable.

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

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

