



# KARL VAN ROY

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

**For Immediate Release**  
**Contact: Rep. Karl Van Roy**

**April 10, 2006**  
**1-888-534-0090**

## Two Van Roy Bills Become Law

**MADISON** – Two bills authored by Rep. Karl Van Roy (R-Howard) have been signed into law. Assembly Bill 800, which clarifies statutes on hunting licensure, was signed on Saturday, April 8, while Assembly Bill 143, which allows public attorneys to keep a copy of a convicted defendant’s pre-sentence investigation report (PSI) in their confidential files, was signed today.

“Both of these initiatives are good, common sense measures for Wisconsin,” Van Roy said. “They make our laws clearer and more effective.”

AB 800 creates uniformity in Wisconsin’s existing hunter education statutes by establishing a single standard requirement that applies to adults, youths, bow hunters, elk hunters, and general hunting licenses. The law will generate between \$40,000 and \$80,000 for the fish and wildlife account, which is used to fund conservation efforts in Wisconsin. The law also allows for recognition of approved certificates of hunters from other provinces and countries.

“AB 800 helps sportsmen from all over the world partake in Wisconsin’s rich hunting tradition,” said Van Roy. “The law also generates revenue from outside of the state, increases tourism to Wisconsin and helps us to continue to thin out our overpopulated deer herds.”

AB 143 was requested by the Brown County attorney’s office and supported by the Association of State Prosecutors. The law allows prosecutors and defense attorneys to maintain a copy of a convicted defendant’s PSI report in their confidential files. Prosecutors feel that having an immediately accessible copy of the PSI will give them helpful background information about the defendant to make better charging and plea bargain decisions should that person re-offend in the future.

“This new law will make our criminal justice system more efficient,” said Van Roy. “It gives our public attorneys one more helpful tool to do their jobs every day.”

###