

WISCONSIN SPORTING FREEDOM

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Bill Summaries

The Wisconsin Sporting Freedom Package is commonsense legislation that recognizes the impact Wisconsin's hunters and anglers have on the state. The legislation promotes policy reforms that will defend the hunt, allow greater opportunities for hunters and anglers, protect our rights and make it easier to enjoy our God-given natural resources.

This series of bills will preserve and build upon Wisconsin's sporting heritage by:

- Increasing the opportunity for hunting and fishing for Wisconsin's residents
- Reducing the regulatory burden on hunters and anglers
- Providing oversight over the state of Wisconsin's use of the money hunters and anglers contribute to resource management and hunting priorities
- Supporting the economic impact activities like hunting and fishing have on the state of Wisconsin

Pheasant Management Bill ([LRB-4591/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Rob Stafsholt](#) and [Rep. James Edming](#)

- This bill would increase the minimum number of pheasants being planted to 200,000 and would improve the identification of the properties where the pheasants are planted, increasing access to hunting.

Turkey Hunting Simplification Bill ([LRB-3453/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Howard Marklein](#) and [Rep. Robert Brooks](#)

- This bill would modify administrative rules relating to the hunting of wild turkeys to combine hunting zones and seasons to just two zones and two seasons (down from the complicated and restrictive six seasons that makes it difficult for many hunters to participate), and to modify youth hunting restrictions.

Mentored Hunt Bill ([LRB-4691/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Jerry Petrowski](#) and [Rep. Robert Brooks](#)

- This bill would allow an individual to satisfy the in-person field testing requirement for the hunter's safety program by participating in a mentored hunt.

Wisconsin Brook Trout Bill ([LRB-4773/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Eric Wimberger](#) and [Rep. Elijah Behnke](#)

- This bill would set a minimum number of 100,000 brook trout that would be required to be raised by the DNR.

DNR Regulation Simplification Bill ([LRB-4933/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Duey Stroebel](#) and [Rep. Calvin Callahan](#)

- This bill would require the DNR to eliminate three rules every time they propose adding another rule.

DNR Hunting License Categories Simplification Bill ([LRB-3452/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Howard Marklein](#) and [Rep. Alex Dallman](#)

- This bill would require the DNR to prepare a report that identifies ways to consolidate or eliminate hunting, fishing, and trapping approvals to reduce the total number of types of licenses DNR is required to issue.

Sandhill Crane Hunting Season Bill ([LRB-4935/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Mary Felzkowski](#) and [Rep. Paul Tittl](#)

- This bill requires the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to authorize the hunting of sandhill cranes by individuals who have completed a sandhill crane hunter education course and who possess the appropriate approval issued by the DNR to help manage the growing sandhill crane population in Wisconsin.

Constitutional Carry Bill ([LRB-4759/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Mary Felzkowski](#) and [Rep. Robert Brooks](#)

- This bill would guarantee Wisconsinites would be able to exercise their constitutional right to carry a gun under the rights already afforded to them by the 2nd Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

DNR Habitat Transparency Bill ([LRB-4825/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. John Jagler](#) and [Rep. Clint Moses](#)

- This bill would increase transparency and accountability by requiring the DNR to create a biennial work plan that establishes priorities and goals for habitat work on lands managed by DNR and measures progress on established priorities and goals.

DNR Public Lands Access Report Bill ([LRB-3450/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Howard Marklein](#) and [Rep. Gae Magnafici](#)

- This bill would require the DNR to prepare a report that identifies public access opportunities on all lands owned or managed by DNR, land acquired under the Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson stewardship program, and open managed forest lands.

Dog Training Bill ([LRB-3454/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Howard Marklein](#) and [Rep. Clint Moses](#)

- This bill would require the DNR to make available on the Go Wild website dog training licenses. Currently, this license is not available there and that makes it harder for hunters to comply.

Aquaculture Partnership Bill ([LRB-3451/1](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Howard Marklein](#) and [Rep. Alex Dallman](#)

- This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources to prepare a report that identifies opportunities for partnering with the private aquaculture industry for increased stocking of desirable sport fish in lakes and streams.

Farm-raised Game Bovid ([SB 563](#))

Sponsored by [Sen. Patrick Testin](#) and [Rep. Jeff Mursau](#)

- Under this bill, Wisconsin hunters will have an opportunity to hunt non-native bovids, some of which are already being raised on Wisconsin game farms. The bill requires farm-raised game bovids to be fenced in the same manner as farm-raised deer other than white-tailed deer.

