

State of Misconsin 2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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2021 SENATE BILL 48

January 28, 2021 - Introduced by Senators Testin, Stafsholt, Bradley, Cowles and Felzkowski, cosponsored by Representatives Magnafici, Snyder, Armstrong, Brooks, Callahan, Jagler, Knodl, Krug, Moses, Skowronski, Spiros, Wichgers, Edming and Rozar. Referred to Committee on Sporting Heritage, Small Business and Rural Issues.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

- AN ACT to amend 29.184 (6g) (f) of the statutes; relating to: the governor's bear
- 2 tag.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Natural Resources may regulate the hunting of bears and issues bear hunting licenses and carcass tags. In addition to any other bear hunting license issued by DNR, current law requires DNR to issue two certificates for bear hunting licenses (commonly known as governor's bear tags) to the Wisconsin Bear Hunters' Association, which must award one certificate as a raffle prize and one certificate at public auction. The recipient of one of these certificates is entitled to a bear hunting license and carcass tag that is valid for one bear hunting season.

Under current law, a person may receive a bear hunting license through this process only once in his or her lifetime. This bill eliminates that restriction.

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

- 3 **Section 1.** 29.184 (6g) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 29.184 (6g) (f) A person may be issued under par. (c) only one Class A bear
- 5 hunting license in his or her lifetime, and the Class A bear hunting license issued to

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SECTION 1

- 1 <u>a person under par. (c)</u> shall be valid for only one Class A bear hunting season. The
- 2 issuance under par. (c) of a license to the person is subject to s. 29.024 (2g).
- 3 (END)