



2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 348

July 31, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives KURTZ, PLUMER, DUCHOW, GUNDRUM, MILROY, MURSAU, NOVAK, SKOWRONSKI, TRANEL, TUSLER, VANDERMEER and WICHGERS, cosponsored by Senators MARKLEIN, SMITH, NASS, OLSEN and ROTH. Referred to Committee on Sporting Heritage.

AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 20.370 (5) (fu) and 29.063 (7) of the statutes; **relating to:** a deer
2 carcass disposal grant program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under this bill, the Department of Natural Resources is required to establish a program to award grants to county deer management advisory councils, of up to \$5,400 per council per fiscal year, for the disposal of deer carcasses. A grant under this program may be used to pay for the costs of contracting to place in that county no more than six large metal containers in which hunters may dispose of deer carcasses, including the costs of renting, lining, and transporting the containers and disposing of the carcasses. Under the bill, a county deer management advisory council is eligible for a grant if DNR has confirmed a test revealing chronic wasting disease in a wild elk or deer in that county or in an adjacent county within ten miles of their shared border.

For further information see the **state and local** 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.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert
4 the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

ASSEMBLY BILL 348**SECTION 1****2019-20****2020-21****20.370 Natural resources, department of**

(5) CONSERVATION AIDS

(fu) Deer carcass disposal grants SEG A 205,000 205,000

SECTION 2. 20.370 (5) (fu) of the statutes is created to read:

20.370 **(5)** (fu) *Deer carcass disposal grants*. The amounts in the schedule for deer carcass disposal grants under s. 29.063 (7).

SECTION 3. 29.063 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

29.063 **(7)** (a) The department shall establish a program to award grants to county deer management advisory councils for the disposal of deer carcasses. Under this grant program, the department may award no more than \$5,400 in each fiscal year to a single county deer management advisory council.

(b) A grant awarded under this subsection may be used to pay for the costs of contracting to place in that county no more than 6 large metal containers in which hunters may dispose of deer carcasses, including the costs of renting, lining, and transporting the containers and disposing of the carcasses.

(c) A county deer management advisory council is eligible for a grant under this subsection if the department has confirmed a test revealing chronic wasting disease in a cervid in that county or in an adjacent county within 10 miles of their shared border.

(END)