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## **Pronschinske Takes Aim at Helping Disabled Hunters**

MADISON – State Representative Treig Pronschinske (Mondovi) is circulating Bella’s Law that would enable people with disabilities to more easily hunt bear, turkey and other preference point species in Wisconsin by allowing approvals to be transferred more than once.

While current law allows individuals who win the Wisconsin DNR’s preference point lottery system to transfer their preference point hunting approval to a minor or person with a disability, it stipulates that the recipient can only accept that type of transfer once. Rep. Pronschinske’s legislation would remove the limit on how many times a person with a disability can receive a transferred approval.

“For many people with disabilities, bear hunting is one of the few options they have to get out and hunt,” said Rep. Pronschinske. “By not capping the amount of times someone can receive a transfer, we’re creating more opportunities for everyone to enjoy one of Wisconsin’s oldest traditions.”

The bill comes as a result of constituents in Rep. Pronschinske’s 92<sup>nd</sup> Assembly District, some of whom have children with disabilities, bringing this problem to his attention. They pointed out that not only is this a great opportunity to get everyone out into nature, but also indicated that those with terminal illnesses could be limited to only hunting once in their lifetime.

“Rep. Pronschinske has been a big help with this issue,” said Jeff Tiegs, a constituent of Rep. Pronschinske’s and father of Bella Tiegs, who the bill was named for. “Me talking to him about it sparked an interest in him, and away we went.”

The bill is currently being circulated for support ahead of the state Assembly’s spring session.

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*Representative Pronschinske represents the 92<sup>nd</sup> Assembly District, which includes portions of Trempealeau, Buffalo, and Jackson Counties. Pronschinske is pronounced PRON-SHIN-SKEE.*