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INCREASING FINES FOR DOG/HOUNDS RUNNING AT LARGE WHILE TRAINING OR HUNTING

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THE PROBLEM: At the present time there are too many complaints of dogs/hounds running at large while training or hunting onto private lands without permission.

WHERE AS: There are many good dog/houndsmen that control their dog/hounds from going onto private lands where they have no permission or have had previous altercations with that private landowner who does not approve of dog/hound training or hunting. Most good dog/houndsmen purposely avoid such areas.

WHERE AS: Some dog/houndsmen continue to train or hunt in areas where they have had many previous confrontations with private landowners who do not allow dog/hound training or hunting on their property and continue to disregard that landowners' rights even though they have been told by the landowner to stay off their property and also told by local law enforcement to stay away from that piece of private property.

WHERE AS: Every dog/houndsmen should be responsible for his/her dog or hound as humanly possible, if not they should have to pay for their negligence of not obeying the law.

WHERE AS: The current minimum fine of $25 and the maximum fine of $100 is not enough of a deterrent to keep some dog/houndsmen from letting their dogs/hounds from trespassing onto private property.

THEREFORE be it resolved that herein Winnebago County on April 8th 2013 that the citizens present request that the Wisconsin Conservation Congress support increasing the minimum fine from $25 to $250 and the maximum fine from $100 to $500 for running dog/hounds at large on private property without permission while in the act of hunting or training, and work with the DNR and legislators to implement such a change.

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