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Title: **Repeal the Wolf Hunt Statute**

The Problem:

Beginning in 1973 wolves were Federally protected by the Endangered Species Act after being considered extinct from the state due to a bounty on wolves from 1865-1957. Since 2003 Wisconsin's wolf population has gone back and forth between being considered an endangered species and being delisted in Wisconsin. Although the wolf is no longer federally protected, the population is not stable and should not be put at risk by initiating a wolf hunt.

WHEREAS Wisconsin's gray wolf was only recently taken off of the Endangered Species list,

WHEREAS the wolf population is not stable and could be jeopardized by a wolf hunt,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Milwaukee County on April 9, 2012, recommends that the DNR take action to correct this situation by working with the legislature to repeal Senate Bill 411/Assembly Bill 502

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