

**97A.037 HUNTER, TRAPPER, AND ANGLER HARASSMENT PROHIBITED.**

Subdivision 1. **Interference with taking wild animals prohibited.** A person who has the intent to prevent or disrupt another person from taking or preparing to take a wild animal or enjoyment of the out-of-doors must not disturb or interfere with that person if that person is lawfully taking or preparing to take a wild animal. "Preparing to take a wild animal" includes travel, camping, and other acts that occur on land or water where the affected person has the right or privilege to take lawfully a wild animal.

Subd. 2. **Disturbing wild animals prohibited.** A person who has the intent to prevent or disrupt a person from lawfully taking the animals may not disturb or engage in an activity that will tend to disturb wild animals.

Subd. 3. **Persons intending to harass hunters, trappers, and anglers may not remain on land.** A person who has intent to violate subdivision 1 or 2 may not enter or remain on public lands, or on private lands without permission of the owner.

Subd. 4. **Peace officer order; penalty.** A person must obey the order of a peace officer to stop the harassing conduct that violates this section if the officer observes the conduct. For purposes of this subdivision, "harassing conduct" does not include a landowner's or lessee's action to enforce the Trespass Law. Violation of this subdivision is a misdemeanor.

**History:** 1989 c 287 s 1; 1998 c 401 s 33