



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
AMENDMENT MEMO**

2013 Senate Bill 531

**Senate
Amendments 2 and 3**

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2013 Senate Bill 531 prohibits the Real Estate Examining Board (REEB) from issuing a broker, salesperson, or time-share salesperson license to any person who has been convicted of a felony unless one of the following is true:

- The person has been pardoned.
- The conviction has been reversed, set aside, vacated, or expunged.
- Five years have elapsed since the person completed the sentence imposed for the felony, including any probation, parole, or extended supervision.

If five years have elapsed the person may apply to the REEB for a determination as to whether he or she is suitable to be granted a license. The REEB must then make a determination by considering factors set forth in the bill.

In addition, the bill requires the REEB to revoke a person's real estate license or certificate if the person is convicted of a felony after the bill's effective date.

Under the bill the same standards apply to a person applying for renewal of a broker's or salesperson's license.

SENATE AMENDMENT 2

Senate Amendment 2 (SA 2) changes from five years to three years the time that must elapse after sentence is completed before a person may apply to the REEB for a determination as to whether they are suitable to be granted a license. SA 2 also clarifies that the three-year time period is computed beginning at the time that the person completes the confinement period of his or her sentence, is released from prison to parole, or is released upon completion of their sentence.

SENATE AMENDMENT 3

Senate Amendment 3 (SA 3) provides that the REEB **may** revoke a person's real estate license or certificate if the person is convicted of a felony after the bill's effective date.

BILL HISTORY

Senator Farrow offered SA 2 on February 11, 2014. On February 12, 2014, the Senate Committee on Insurance and Housing offered SA 3, and on the same day, voted to recommend adoption of SA 2 and SA 3, and passage of the bill, as amended, on successive votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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