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April 9, 1999 - Introduced by Representatives KREUSER, FREESE, MUSSER, AINSWORTH, STEINBRINK, STASKUNAS, SYKORA, GROTHMAN, GRONEMUS, SKINDRUD and SERATTI, cosponsored by Senator SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 945.05 (1) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** legalizing the
2 possession and transfer of antique slot machines used solely for display,
3 restoration or preservation purposes.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law prohibits the manufacture, commercial transfer or possession, with the intent to transfer commercially, of a device designed exclusively for gambling purposes. This bill allows the commercial transfer and possession of slot machines manufactured prior to December 31, 1974, and used solely for display, restoration or preservation purposes.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 945.05 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 945.05 (1) (b) Any device which he or she knows is designed exclusively for
6 gambling purposes or anything which he or she knows is designed exclusively as a
7 subassembly or essential part of such device. This includes without limitation
8 gambling machines, numbers jars, punch boards and roulette wheels. Playing cards,

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1 dice and, permanently disabled gambling machines and slot machines
2 manufactured before December 31, 1974, that are intended to be used solely for
3 display, restoration and preservation purposes shall not be considered devices
4 primarily exclusively for gambling purposes.

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(END)