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## 2015 SENATE BILL 133

April 20, 2015 – Introduced by Senators HARSDORF and NASS, cosponsored by Representatives MURTHA, KLEEFISCH, BERCEAU, E. BROOKS, KNODL, T. LARSON, MURPHY and KITCHENS. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 940.11 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** penalty for hiding or  
2           burying a corpse illegally and providing a penalty.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, a person who hides or buries a corpse to conceal a crime or to avoid apprehension, prosecution, or conviction for a crime or to collect certain government benefits is guilty of a Class G felony. A person who is convicted is subject to a fine of up to \$25,000 or imprisonment for up to ten years, or both. This bill reclassifies the crime as a Class F felony so that a person who is convicted is subject to a fine of up to \$25,000 or imprisonment for up to 12 years and six months, or both.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a report concerning the proposed penalty and the costs or savings that are likely to result if the bill is enacted.

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

3           **SECTION 1.** 940.11 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4           940.11 (2) Whoever hides or buries a corpse, with intent to conceal a crime or  
5           avoid apprehension, prosecution, or conviction for a crime or notwithstanding s.

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1 946.90 (2) or (3), 946.91 (2), 946.92, or 946.93 (2) or (3) with intent to collect benefits  
2 under the assistance program for families with dependent children administered  
3 under ss. 49.141 to 49.161, the Medical Assistance program administered under  
4 subch. IV of ch. 49, or the food stamp program, as defined in s. 49.79 (1) (c), is guilty  
5 of a Class ~~G~~ F felony.

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