December 8, 2005 – Introduced by Representative POCAN. Referred to Committee on Assembly Organization.

AN ACT to create 13.025 and 13.45 (8) of the statutes; relating to: prohibited meeting times of the assembly, senate, and legislative members of committees and other bodies.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau
This bill provides that the daily sessions of the assembly and senate and the meetings of its committees end no later than midnight and prohibits the houses and committees from meeting or conducting business between midnight and 8 a.m. The bill also prohibits legislative members of committees and other bodies from meeting or conducting business on such a committee or other body during that period.

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

SECTION 1. 13.025 of the statutes is created to read:

13.025 Prohibited meeting times of the assembly and senate.

Notwithstanding any rule of either house, the daily session of each house ends at midnight, unless adjourned earlier, and neither house may meet or conduct business during the hours between midnight and 8 a.m.
SECTION 2. 13.45 (8) of the statutes is created to read:

13.45 (8) PROHIBITED MEETING TIMES OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES AND OTHER BODIES. Notwithstanding any rule of either house, a meeting of a statutory or other assembly, senate, or joint legislative committee or other committee or body on which there are legislative members ends at midnight, unless adjourned earlier, and such a committee or body may not meet or conduct business during the hours between midnight and 8 a.m. Legislative members of such committees or other bodies may not be present at or participate in a meeting of or participate in the conduct of business by the committee or other body during the hours between midnight and 8 a.m.

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