



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2009 Wisconsin Act 130**  
[2009 Assembly Bill 47]

**Certain Offenders Disqualified  
from Martial Arts Instruction**

Under 2009 Wisconsin Act 130 (the Act), anyone who instructs in self-defense or combat, excluding the instruction of the use of a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow, is required to obtain a martial arts instructor permit. Currently, the fee for the instructor permit is \$53. The Act requires the Department of Justice to conduct a background check on an applicant for a martial arts instructor permit. The Act disqualifies a person from obtaining a permit if one of the following applies:

- The person is required to register as a sex offender under s. 301.45 (1g), Stats.
- The person has been convicted of first-degree intentional homicide.

**Effective date:** 2009 Wisconsin Act 130 becomes effective on March 4, 2010.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.