



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Assembly Bill 57

Assembly Amendment 2,  
As Amended

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*Assembly Bill 57* creates a section of the statutes that would read as follows:

253.16 Right to breast-feed. A mother may breast-feed her child in any public or private location where the mother is otherwise authorized to be. No person may interfere with the right of a mother to breast-feed her child as provided in this section.

*Assembly Amendment 2* modifies the first sentence above to refer to a public or private location where the mother “and child” are otherwise authorized to be. In addition, the amendment replaces the second sentence set forth above with the following:

In such a location, no person may prohibit a mother from breast-feeding her child, request or direct a mother to move to another location to breast-feed her child, request or direct a mother to cover her child or breast while breast-feeding, or otherwise restrict a mother from breast-feeding.

*Assembly Amendment 2 to Assembly Amendment 2* deletes “request or” in two places in the previous paragraph. With that amendment and Assembly Amendment 2, the substantive provision of the bill will read as follows:

253.16 Right to breast-feed. A mother may breast-feed her child in any public or private location where the mother and child are otherwise authorized to be. In such a location, no person may prohibit a mother from breast-feeding her child, direct a mother to move to another location to breast-feed her child, direct a mother to cover her child or breast while breast-feeding, or otherwise restrict a mother from breast-feeding.

**Legislative History**

The Assembly Committee on Public Health recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 2, and passage of the bill as amended, both by votes of Ayes, 4; Noes, 2.

The Assembly adopted Assembly Amendment 2 to Assembly Amendment 2, adopted Assembly Amendment 2, and passed the bill as amended, all by voice votes.

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