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2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 149

May 25, 2011 – Introduced by Representatives SPANBAUER, BERNIER, JORGENSEN, A. OTT and THIESFELDT, cosponsored by Senator LASSA. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Corrections.

AN ACT ***to amend*** 256.35 (10) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** false reporting of an emergency and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who intentionally calls "911" to report an emergency, knowing that the emergency that he or she is reporting does not exist, must, for a first offense, be fined between $50 and $300, imprisoned not more than 90 days, or both. This bill changes the fine to be between $100 and $600.

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

SECTION 1. 256.35 (10) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

256.35 **(10)** (a) Any person who intentionally dials the telephone number "911" to report an emergency, knowing that the fact situation which he or she reports does not exist, shall be fined not less than ~~$50~~ $100 nor more than ~~$300~~ $600 or imprisoned not more than 90 days or both for the first offense and is guilty of a Class H felony for any other offense committed within 4 years after the first offense.

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