



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 469

Assembly Amendment 1

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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 469

Assembly Bill 469 makes various changes to state law relating to the disposal of personal property stored in a self-service storage facility (“facility”) or self-service storage unit (“unit”) and to towing a vehicle stored in a facility or unit. For example, under current law, if the operator of a facility or unit sells personal property stored in a facility or unit, the operator must advertise the sale in a newspaper and the advertisement must include: (1) a brief and general description of the personal property reasonably adequate to permit its identification; and (2) the address of the facility or of the operator of the unit and the name of the lessee. The bill deletes the requirement that the advertisement include a description of the personal property.

In addition, the bill authorizes the sale of self-service storage insurance. “Self-service storage insurance” means insurance that provides coverage for the loss of, or damage to, personal property contained in a facility or unit during the term of a rental agreement, but not including homeowner’s, renter’s, or motor vehicle insurance. Under the bill, an operator of a facility or unit, or an employee or representative of the operator, may sell self-service storage insurance to a person who leases a unit or space at a facility.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 deletes the provisions in the bill relating to self-service storage insurance.

In addition, the amendment retains the current law requirement that an advertisement for a sale of personal property contain a description of the personal property.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Barca on December 8, 2017. On January 4, 2018, the Assembly Committee on Judiciary recommended adoption of the amendment and passage of Assembly Bill 469, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 6; Noes, 0.

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