

# State of Wisconsin



2019 Assembly Bill 54

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## 2019 WISCONSIN ACT 39

AN ACT *to renumber and amend* 118.07 (2) (a); and *to create* 118.07 (2) (a) 2. of the statutes; **relating to:** fire, tornado, and school safety drills for public and private schools.

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

**SECTION 1.** 118.07 (2) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 118.07 (2) (a) 1. and amended to read:

118.07 (2) (a) 1. Once each month, without previous warning, the person having direct charge of any public or private school shall drill all pupils in the proper method of departure from the building in case of a fire, except when the person having direct charge deems that the health of the pupils may be endangered by inclement weather conditions. At least twice annually, without previous warning, the person having direct charge of any public or private school shall drill all pupils in the proper method of evacuation to a safe location in case of a tornado or other hazard. At least twice annually, without previous warning, the person having direct charge of any public or private school shall drill all pupils in the proper

method of evacuation or other appropriate action in case of a school safety incident. The public and private school safety drill shall be based on the school safety plan adopted under sub. (4). A safety drill may be substituted for any other drill required under this paragraph ~~subdivision~~. The school board or governing body of the private school shall maintain for at least 7 years a record of each fire drill, tornado or other hazard drill, and school safety drill conducted.

**SECTION 2.** 118.07 (2) (a) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

118.07 (2) (a) 2. Notwithstanding subd. 1., if a person having direct charge of a public or private school determines that providing previous warning of a drill required under subd. 1. is in the best interest of pupils attending the school, the person having direct charge of the public or private school may provide previous warning of the drill.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."