
Wisconsin Legislative Council

AMENDMENT MEMO



Memo published: January 13, 2020

Contact: Brian Larson, Senior Staff Attorney

2019 Assembly Bill 611

Assembly Amendment 1

2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 611

2019 Assembly Bill 611 revises the state’s lien law with respect to liens on aircraft and aircraft engines. In particular, the bill removes references to aircraft and aircraft storage from certain liens afforded under current law and creates separate lien rights for aircraft and aircraft engines, available to, generally, persons engaged in the repair and storage of aircraft and aircraft engines. Such liens are superior to all liens except for taxes, and may be asserted either by retention of aircraft or aircraft engine or following surrender of the aircraft or aircraft engine. Upon surrender, a person claiming a lien may record the lien in the federal aviation administration’s (FAA) aircraft registry, or with other recording authorities if the aircraft or engine is not subject to recordation by the FAA.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Among its provisions, Assembly Bill 611 specifies that a person may have a lien for any reasonable charges, including charges for labor, for the use of tools, machinery, and equipment, and for all parts, accessories, materials, oils, lubricants, keep or storage fees, earned premiums, and other supplies furnished. Assembly Amendment 1 adds specific reference to “fuel” to the list of charges for which a lien may arise.

BILL HISTORY

2019 Assembly Bill 611 was introduced by Representative Tittl on November 15, 2019. Representative Tittl offered Assembly Amendment 1 on December 18, 2019. On December 19, 2019, the Assembly Committee on Jobs and the Economy, recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1, and passage of Assembly Bill 611, as amended, on successive votes of Ayes, 14; Noes, 0.

BL:ksm