



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 42
[2005 Assembly Bill 261]

**Recording Child's Statement
in Certain Court and
Administrative Hearings**

Under specified circumstances, current law permits a videotape of a child's testimony to be used in criminal proceedings, in probation, parole, or extended supervision revocation proceedings, and in juvenile fact-finding hearings. Act 42 substitutes reference to "audiovisual recording" for the references in current law to "videotaped recording." The substituted language covers any technology currently available or available in the future for audiovisual recordings.

Effective Date: Act 42 takes effect September 1, 2005.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.