



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2009 Wisconsin Act 324**  
[2009 Senate Bill 583]

**Review of an Administrative  
Decision**

*2009 Wisconsin Act 324* regulates the time period within which an aggrieved party may petition for judicial review an administrative decision.

Prior to Act 324, an aggrieved party was required to appeal an administrative decision in a contested case within 30 days after the date of service of the administrative decision. The term “contested case” is defined by s. 227.01 (3) (intro.), Stats., to mean an agency proceeding in which the assertion by one party of any substantial interest is denied or controverted by another party and in which, after a hearing required by law, a substantial interest of a party is determined or adversely affected by a decision or order. All other agency determinations are considered to derive from “noncontested” cases. Prior to Act 324, a person was required to appeal an administrative decision in a noncontested case within six months after service of the decision.

Act 324 amends the law regarding appeals from contested cases. The Act amends the law with respect to noncontested cases by providing that a petition for the review of such a case must be served and filed within 30 days after personal service or mailing of the decision by an agency.

***Effective date:*** The Act takes effect on May 27, 2010.

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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/>.