



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 91
[2009 Senate Bill 170]

Juneteenth Day

2009 Wisconsin Act 91 creates a new legal holiday in Wisconsin. The legal holiday is June 19 known as Juneteenth Day. June 19, 1865, was the day that slaves throughout Texas first received word that all slaves in the United States had been freed by President Lincoln. A legal holiday is not counted when determining if a legal document has been submitted, answered, or filed in a timely manner. Also, elections may not be held on legal holidays. The Act does not affect the number of paid holidays for public employees.

Effective date: The Act takes effect on December 16, 2009.

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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/>.