

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Assembly Bill 141

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1, as Amended

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2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 141

Assembly Bill 141 provides that when a judge or circuit court commissioner issues a domestic abuse, child abuse, individual-at-risk, or harassment temporary restraining order or injunction, the judge or circuit court commissioner may order the respondent not to remove, hide, damage, harm, or mistreat, or dispose of, a household pet. The bill further provides that the judge or circuit court commissioner may order the petitioner or a family member or household member of the petitioner acting on his or her behalf to retrieve a household pet.

ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 makes the same substantive changes to current law as Assembly Bill 141. Under the substitute amendment, however, the provisions pertaining to household pets are placed in different parts of the relevant statutes than they are in Assembly Bill 141.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1 TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 authorizes a judge or court commissioner to also order the respondent to grant the petitioner custody and control of a household pet, in addition to the orders authorized under the bill and substitute amendment.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Jacque on April 7, 2015, and Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Jacque on May 19, 2015. On August 20, 2015, the Assembly Committee on Judiciary recommended adoption of the amendments and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0.

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