



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 483

**Assembly
Amendments 1 and 2**

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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 483

2017 Assembly Bill 483 (“the bill”) eliminates the Building Inspector Review Board and the Contractor Certification Council, and transfers their duties to the Uniform Dwelling Code Council. These are all attached to the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DPS).

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 specifies that the Uniform Dwelling Code Council, when reviewing a complaint concerning possible incompetent negligent, or unethical conduct by building inspectors, the Council may recommend **suspension** of an inspector’s certification, in addition to revocation of the certification.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2

Assembly Amendment 2 adds a new provision to the bill relating to religious exemptions from dwelling code standards. Under **current law**, a person may apply for a waiver from certain building code requirements applicable to one-and two-family dwellings, including certain plumbing and electrical wiring standards, based on the person’s religious beliefs. [s. 101.648, Stats.] **The amendment** narrows the scope of such waivers to standards that apply **inside** one-and two-family dwellings.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Jagler offered Assembly Amendment 1 on September 7, 2017 and Assembly Amendment 2 on November 20, 2017. On February 1, 2017, the Assembly Committee on Regulatory Licensing Reform unanimously recommended adoption of Assembly Amendments 1 and 2, and passage of 2017 Assembly Bill 483, as amended.

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