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1995 SENATE BILL 629

March 19, 1996 – Introduced by Senators Burke and Wineke, cosponsored by Representatives Bock, L. Young, Riley, Notestein and Black. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

AN ACT *to create* 941.39 of the statutes; **relating to:** instructing or training persons to use weapons or techniques to cause civil disorders and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, there are various crimes that provide penalties for persons who endanger or harm others. This bill creates a new crime. Any person who instructs or trains others regarding weapons or techniques capable of causing injury or death is guilty of a Class D felony if he or she knows that the knowledge gained from the instruction will be unlawfully used in a civil disorder. Upon conviction, the person may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 5 years or both.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

- **SECTION 1.** 941.39 of the statutes is created to read:
 - 941.39 Instruction and training; civil disorders. (1) In this section:
 - (a) "Civil disorder" means a gathering of 3 or more persons engaging in acts of violence against persons or property that cause an immediate danger of or result in damage or injury.
 - (b) "Explosive or incendiary device" means any of the following:

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1.	Dynamite	or other	form	of high	explosive.
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- 2. A bomb, grenade, missile or similar device.
- 3. A fire bomb, as defined under s. 943.06 (1).
- (c) "Firearm" means any weapon designed to or that may readily be converted to expel any projectile by the action of an explosive, or the frame or receiver of such a weapon.
- (2) Whoever demonstrates to, trains or teaches any other person regarding the use, application or manufacture of a firearm, explosive or incendiary device or a technique capable of causing injury or death, if the person intends or knows that the knowledge will be unlawfully used in, or in furtherance of, a civil disorder, is guilty of a Class D felony.

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