



## 1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 132

February 18, 1997 - Introduced by Representative HANDRICK, cosponsored by Senator BRESKE. Referred to Committee on Tourism and Recreation.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 167.26 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** barricades around ice  
2           holes.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, a person who creates an ice hole in a body of water must place around the margin of the hole a fence made either of fence board or of plastic roll fencing. A person may barricade an ice hole by using a continuous rope or cord if the ice hole is created by aeration. Under current law, if a person uses a rope or cord, reflectorized ribbon or tape must be attached to it. This bill permits reflectorized devices to be used as well as ribbon or tape.

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

3           **SECTION 1.** 167.26 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4           167.26 (2) Any person creating ice holes by aeration of water may, in lieu of the  
5           requirements of sub. (1), erect and maintain a barricade around such holes consisting  
6           of uprights spaced every 25 feet or less, connected by a continuous rope, cord or  
7           similar material placed 3 1/2 feet off the surface of the ice. The connecting rope, cord

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1 or similar material shall have reflectorized ribbon or tape or other reflectorized  
2 devices attached to it, so as to be highly visible, and shall be of sufficient strength to  
3 permit retrieval of the barricade following melting of the ice. Any person erecting  
4 such barricade shall remove the barricade and all parts thereof from the ice or water  
5 immediately after the ice has melted.

6 (END)