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1999 SENATE BILL 78

March 10, 1999 - Introduced by Senators Welch, Fitzgerald, Roessler, Cowles, Drzewiecki, Darling, Schultz, Huelsman and Breske, cosponsored by Representatives Ladwig, Kaufert, Sykora, Suder, Gundrum, Plale, AINSWORTH, KREUSER, HAHN, HASENOHRL, URBAN, RYBA, SERATTI, STASKUNAS, Albers, Lassa, Petrowski, Stone, Musser, Skindrud, Grothman, Hoven, Brandemuehl, Spillner, Goetsch, Freese, Nass, F. Lasee, M. Lehman, GUNDERSON and PLOUFF. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Consumer Affairs.

- AN ACT to create 895.78 of the statutes; relating to: eliminating recovery for 1
- 2 personal injury for persons injured while involved in a felony.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This draft prevents a person from recovering damages for any injury that he or she incurs or from his or her death if the injury or death resulted from his or her act that is a felony and he or she is convicted of a felony for that act.

For further information see the **state and local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

- **Section 1.** 895.78 of the statutes is created to read:
- 895.78 Limiting felon's right to damages. (1) No person may recover damages for an injury to real or personal property if the injury was incurred while committing, or as a result of committing, an act that constituted a felony and the person was convicted of a felony for that act.
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(2) No person may recover damages for death or for personal injury if the injury
or death was incurred while committing, or as a result of committing, an act that
constituted a felony and the person was convicted of a felony for that act.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to a death or injury that occurs on the effective date of this subsection.

7 (END)