



2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 182

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1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 227.24 (1) (c) and 227.24 (2) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 the duration of the effect of emergency rules.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, an agency may promulgate a rule as an emergency rule without complying with the notice, hearing, and publication requirements for regular rule making if the rule is needed to preserve the public health, safety, or welfare. A rule promulgated as an emergency rule takes effect upon its publication in the official state newspaper and remains in effect for 150 days. Current law allows the agency to request that the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules extend the effective date of the emergency rule for additional periods not to exceed 60 days each, but with a maximum of 120 days for all of the extensions.

This bill reduces the initial effective period of an emergency rule from 150 days to 90 days. The bill also increases the maximum time of any additional periods that the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules may extend the effective date of the emergency rule from 60 to 90 days and increases the limit on the total period of those extensions from 120 days to 180 days.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 227.24 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

