

State of Misconsin 2007 - 2008 LEGISLATURE

2007 SENATE BILL 571

March 12, 2008 – Introduced by Senator GROTHMAN, cosponsored by Representative KESTELL. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Corrections, and Housing.

1 AN ACT *to create* 302.035 of the statutes; **relating to:** qualifications for prison

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the warden or superintendent of each state prison is responsible for the care and custody of all inmates, for the prison and its property, and for enforcing the rules of the Department of Corrections. Current law does not contain any specific qualifications required for a warden or a superintendent.

Under this bill, a person who wishes to serve as a prison warden or superintendent must have at least three years of experience as a correctional officer.

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

- 3 **SECTION 1.** 302.035 of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 **302.035 Qualifications for wardens and superintendents.** No person

5 may serve as a warden or superintendent of a state prison unless he or she has a

- 6 minimum of 3 years of experience as a correctional officer, as defined in s. 301.28 (1).
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² wardens and superintendents.