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## **2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 201**

May 5, 2015 – Introduced by Representatives JACQUE, KITCHENS, BERCEAU, EDMING, KAHL, T. LARSON, QUINN, SPIROS and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senators WANGGAARD and HANSEN. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 346.67 (1) (intro.) and 346.67 (1) (c); and *to create* 346.67 (3) 2 of the statutes; **relating to:** the duty to stop at the scene of a motor vehicle 3 accident.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if an operator of a vehicle is involved in an accident resulting in personal injury or damage to an occupied vehicle, the operator must immediately stop the vehicle at or near the scene of the accident, provide certain information, and render reasonable assistance to any injured person.

Under this bill, an operator of a vehicle involved in an accident must reasonably investigate what was struck and, if he or she knows or has reason to know that the accident resulted in personal injury or vehicle damage, must stop at the scene of the accident and provide the information and assistance described above. This bill also specifies that a prosecutor is not required to allege or prove that an operator knew that he or she collided with a person or a vehicle driven or attended by a person in a prosecution for a violation of the provision described above, as modified in this bill.

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

**SECTION 1.** 346.67 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1	346.67 (1) (intro.) The operator of any <u>a</u> vehicle involved in an accident
2	resulting shall reasonably investigate what was struck and if the operator knows or
3	<u>has reason to know that the accident resulted</u> in injury <del>to</del> or death of <del>any</del> <u>a</u> person
4	or in damage to a vehicle <del>which</del> <u>that</u> is driven or attended by <del>any</del> <u>a</u> person <u>, the</u>
5	<u>operator</u> shall <del>immediately</del> stop <del>such</del> <u>the</u> vehicle <del>at the scene of the accident or</del> <u>he</u>
6	<u>or she is operating</u> as close <del>thereto</del> <u>to the scene of the accident</u> as possible <del>but shall</del>
7	then forthwith return to and in every event shall remain at the scene of the accident
8	until the operator has <del>fulfilled</del> <u>done all of</u> the following <del>requirements</del> :
9	<b>SECTION 2.</b> 346.67 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
10	346.67 (1) (c) The operator shall render <u>reasonable assistance</u> to any person
11	injured in <del>such accident reasonable assistance</del> <u>the accident</u> , including <del>the carrying</del>
12	<u>transporting</u> , or <del>the</del> making <del>of</del> arrangements <del>for the carrying, of such</del> <u>to transport</u>
13	the person to a physician, surgeon, or hospital for medical or surgical treatment if
14	it is apparent that <del>such <u>medical</u> or <u>surgical</u> treatment is necessary or if <del>such carrying</del></del>
15	is requested by the injured person.
16	<b>SECTION 3.</b> 346.67 (3) of the statutes is created to read:
17	346.67 (3) A prosecutor is not required to allege or prove that an operator knew
18	that he or she collided with a person or a vehicle driven or attended by a person in
19	a prosecution under this section.
20	SECTION 4. Initial applicability.
21	(1) This act first applies to violations committed on the effective date of this
22	subsection.

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