



## 2005 SENATE BILL 274

August 1, 2005 – Introduced by Senators COGGS, TAYLOR, CARPENTER, HANSEN, LASSA, RISSER and ERPENBACH, cosponsored by Representatives YOUNG, GRIGSBY, FIELDS, COLON, TOLES, TURNER, A. WILLIAMS, BLACK and KESSLER, by request of Attorney General Peggy A. Lautenschlager. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Corrections and Privacy.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 165.10 of the statutes; **relating to:** the authority of the  
2     Department of Justice.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill gives the Department of Justice the authority to bring an action for injunctive or other equitable relief against a person who interferes with the exercise or enjoyment by an individual of a right secured by the constitution or laws of this state or of the United States.

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

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

3     **SECTION 1.** 165.10 of the statutes is created to read:

4     **165.10 Civil rights enforcement.** If any person, whether or not acting under  
5     color of law, interferes with the exercise or enjoyment by any individual of a right  
6     secured by the constitution or laws of the United States, or of a right secured by the  
7     constitution or laws of this state, the attorney general may bring an action for

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1 injunction or other appropriate equitable relief to protect the peaceable exercise or  
2 enjoyment of the right secured.

3 (END)