



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 414

May 30, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives COLEMAN, HANDRICK, OWENS, OTT, SCHNEIDERS, AINSWORTH, SERATTI, ZIEGELBAUER, GARD, LADWIG, OTTE, GROTHMAN, ALBERS, KELSO, KREUSER, OLSEN, SILBAUGH and GUNDERSON, cosponsored by Senators WEEDEN, LEEAN, BUETTNER, HUELSMAN and JAUCH. Referred to Committee on Financial Institutions.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 779.43 (title) and 779.43 (3); and **to create** 779.43 (1) (c) and
2 779.43 (4) of the statutes; **relating to:** storage liens against boats.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill permits the creation of a lien (a charge against property to secure a debt) against a boat for storage of the boat. The bill includes a marina keeper under the garage keeper lien law, a provision that allows the marina keeper to retain stored property until storage charges relating to that property are paid.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 779.43 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 **779.43** (title) **Liens of keepers of hotels, livery stables, garages, marinas and**
5 **pastures.**

6 **SECTION 2.** 779.43 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

7 779.43 (1) (c) "Marina" includes any property used for the commercial storage
8 of boats.

9 **SECTION 3.** 779.43 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 779.43 (3) Every keeper of a garage, marina, livery or boarding stable, and
11 every person pasturing or keeping any carriages, automobiles, boats, harness or

1 animals, and every person or corporation, municipal or private, owning any airport,
2 hangar or aircraft service station and leasing hangar space for aircraft, shall have
3 a lien thereon and may retain the possession thereof for the amount due for the keep,
4 support, storage or repair and care thereof until paid. But no garage or marina
5 keeper shall exercise the lien upon any automobile or boat unless there shall be
6 posted in some conspicuous place in the garage or marina a card, stating the charges
7 for storing automobiles or boats, easily readable at a distance of 15 feet.

8 **SECTION 4.** 779.43 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

9 779.43 (4) A lien of a marina keeper under this section is in addition to any
10 remedy available under ch. 780.

11 **SECTION 5. Initial applicability.**

12 (1) This act first applies to the storage of a boat on the effective date of this
13 subsection.

14 **SECTION 6. Effective date.**

15 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after
16 publication.

17 (END)