

CHAPTER 167

AN ACT to amend 327.29 (1) of the statutes, relating to destruction of originals of records reproduced.

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

327.29 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

327.29 (1) If any business, institution, member of a profession or calling, or any department or agency of government (except state government), in the regular course of business or activity has kept or recorded any memorandum, writing, entry, print, representation or combination thereof, of any act, transaction, occurrence or event, and in the regular course of business has caused any or all of the same to be recorded, copied or reproduced by any photographic, photostatic, microfilm, micro-card, miniature photographic, or other process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original, the original may be destroyed in the regular course of business, provided the provisions of ss. 59.716 and 59.717 have been met, \* \* \* unless its preservation is required by law. Such reproduction, when satisfactorily identified, is as admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding whether the original is in existence or not and an enlargement or facsimile of such reproduction is likewise admissible in evidence if the original reproduction is in existence and available for inspection under direction of court. The introduction of a reproduced record, enlargement or facsimile, does not preclude admission of the original.

Approved July 10, 1963.

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