

# State of Wisconsin



1995 Assembly Bill 568

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## 1995 WISCONSIN ACT 300

AN ACT to amend 940.22 (2) of the statutes; relating to: sexual exploitation by a therapist and providing a penalty.

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

**SECTION 1.** 940.22 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

940.22 (2) **SEXUAL CONTACT PROHIBITED.** Any person who is or who holds himself or herself out to be a therapist and who intentionally has sexual contact with a patient or

client during any ongoing therapist–patient or therapist–client relationship, regardless of whether it occurs during any treatment, consultation, interview or examination, is guilty of a Class **D C** felony. Consent is not an issue in an action under this subsection.

**SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

(1) This act first applies to offenses occurring on the effective date of this subsection.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 1993–94: Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated” by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].