

1999 SENATE BILL 85

March 16, 1999 – Introduced by Senator BURKE, cosponsored by Representative BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Consumer Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 940.225 (1) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** sexual assaults
 2 causing substantial bodily harm.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a sexual assault in which the actor uses or threatens force or violence is punishable as a Class BC felony. If the perpetrator of the sexual assault causes the victim great bodily harm, the crime is punishable as a Class B felony. This bill provides that it is also a Class B felony if the perpetrator of the sexual assault causes the victim substantial bodily harm. Substantial bodily harm includes injuries such as bone fractures, burns and concussions.

The maximum penalties for persons convicted of the crime classifications mentioned are:

<u>Crime Classification</u>	<u>Maximum Imprisonment (for offenses committed before 12/31/99)</u>	<u>Maximum Imprisonment (for offenses committed on or after 12/31/99)</u>	<u>Maximum Fine</u>
Class B felony	40 years	60 years	no fine option
Class BC felony	20 years	30 years	\$10,000

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

