

2003 SENATE BILL 8

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1 **AN ACT** *to create* 19.36 (10) of the statutes; **relating to:** withholding certain
2 security information from public inspection.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with certain exceptions, a state or local governmental entity is required to permit a requester to inspect records created or kept by the entity. This bill creates another exception for records with information regarding security measures for protecting the safety of the plant, equipment, employees, or customers of persons that do any of the following: 1) generate, transmit, or distribute electricity; 2) transport or distribute natural gas; 3) operate a public water system; 4) provide telecommunications service; or 5) provide sewer service.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 19.36 (10) of the statutes is created to read:
4 19.36 **(10)** SECURITY INFORMATION. An authority may withhold access to any
5 record or portion of a record containing information regarding security measures to
6 protect the safety of the plant, equipment, employees, or customers of a person that

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1 generates, transmits, or distributes electricity, transports or distributes natural gas,

2 operates a public water system, or provides telecommunications or sewer service.

3 (END)