

2003 SENATE BILL 183

June 3, 2003 – Introduced by Senators PANZER, S. FITZGERALD, KANAVAS, KEDZIE, SCHULTZ, WELCH, ZIEN and ROESSLER, cosponsored by Representatives GARD, JENSEN, FOTI, KAUFERT and HUNDERTMARK. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 AN ACT *to repeal* 13.525 of the statutes; **relating to:** the Joint Review
2 Committee on Criminal Penalties.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties reviews pending crime legislation. Specifically, when a bill that is introduced in either house of the legislature proposes to create a new crime or revise a penalty for an existing crime, a standing committee to which the bill is referred may not vote on whether to recommend the bill for passage and the bill may not be passed by the house in which it is introduced before the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties submits a report on the bill or before the 30th day after a report is requested, whichever is earlier. Any report prepared by the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties must address such issues as the costs that are likely to be incurred or saved if the bill is enacted, the consistency of penalties proposed in the bill with existing criminal penalties, and whether acts prohibited under the bill are prohibited under existing criminal statutes.

This bill eliminates the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

