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#### Nelson, Robert P.

From: Our Family [pjdykman@chorus.net]

Sent: Friday, November 04, 2005 10:16 AM

To: Dykman, Peter; Nelson, Robert P.; Siciliano, Chris

Subject: RE: Engrossing

Yes but it is rare at this time. Call the assembly chief clerk's office (probably Kay Inabet) and ask. She may need to check with the speaker's office to see if that is helpful or harmful. The engrossing is very rarely done while it is the first house. It is done to give the second house a clear picture of what the first passed. Only if the majority party wants to reconsider the action in the first house is the engrossing done in the first house.

Nothing stops you from starting the engrossing at this time and send it out after the bill has been messaged.

In summary, this is not your decision and your convenience is irrelevant as is mine in enrolling (I think the legislature is well served by engrossing because the intent of the first house can be better carried out and the second house has a new analysis and clear text.)

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Sent: Friday, November 04, 2005 9:57 AM

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From: Nelson, Robert P.

Sent: Friday, November 04, 2005 9:56:39 AM

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Subject: Engrossing
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Peter,

Can I ask the Assembly to have AB 778 ordered to be printed engrossed? The bill has passed the Assembly, but has not been messaged. It is amendments and amendments to amendments, and I expect amendments in the Senate, probably Tuesday.

Robert P. Nelson Senior Legislative Attorney 608-267-7511

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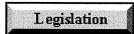
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manufacture 2005	ers	, distributors, sellers, and promoters of products.	
10-20.	Α.	Introduced by Representatives Wieckert, Honadel, Nischke, Huebsch, Jeskewitz, Albers, Gunderson, Ott, Musser, Lothian, Stone, Hahn, Nass, LeMahieu and Ainsworth; cosponsored by Senators Kanavas, Schultz, Reynolds, Darling, Stepp, Olsen, Grothman, S. Fitzgerald, A. Lasee and Harsdorf.	
10-20.	Α.	Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary	50
10-20.	Α.	Public hearing held.	J Z.
		Assembly amendment 1 offered by Representative	
		Wieckert	533
10-25.	Α.	Assembly amendment 2 offered by Representative Wieckert	
10-25.	Α.	Assembly amendment 3 offered by Representative	
10-25.	7\	Staskunas	530
10 25.	Α.	Wieckert	533
10-26.	Α.	Assembly amendment $\underline{5}$ offered by Representative	
		Wieckert	545
		Executive action taken.	
10-27.	Α.	Assembly amendment <u>1</u> to Assembly amendment 5 offered by committee on Judiciary	545
10-27.	Α.	Report Assembly Amendment 1 adoption recommended by	
10-27.	Δ	committee on Judiciary, Ayes 5, Noes 3	546
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10-27.	Α.	Report Assembly Amendment <u>1</u> to Assembly Amendment 5 adoption recommended by committee on Judiciary, Ayes	
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		committee on Judiciary, Ayes 5, Noes 3	546
10-27.	Α.	Report passage as amended recommended by committee on Judiciary, Ayes 5, Noes 3	516
10-27.	Α.	Referred to committee on Rules	
		Placed on calendar 11-1-2005 by committee on Rules.	240
		Senator Brown added as a cosponsor	561
11-01.	Α.	Read a second time	570
		Assembly amendment 1 to Assembly amendment 1 offered by Representative Wieckert	
11-01.	Α.	Assembly amendment $\underline{1}$ to Assembly amendment $1$ adopted	
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		Assembly amendment 4 adopted	
11-01.	Α.	Assembly amendment 1 to Assembly amendment 5 adopted	570
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		Assembly amendment 5 adopted	570
11-01.	Α.	Assembly amendment <u>6</u> offered by Representatives Wieckert and Staskunas	570
11-01. A	Α.	Assembly amendment 6 adopted	
11-01.	Α.	Assembly amendment $\frac{7}{2}$ offered by Representatives Colon and Ziegelbauer	
11-01. A	Α.	Assembly amendment 7 laid on table. Aves 57. Noes 39	570

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11-01.	Α.	Ordered to a third reading	570
		Rules suspended	
		Read a third time and passed, Ayes 60, Noes 36	
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11-01.	Α.	Refused to suspend rules to order immediately	
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10-20.	A.	Read first time and referred to committee on Judiciary	O. O
10-20.	A.	Public hearing held.	
10-25.	A.	Assembly amendment 1 offered by Representative Wieckert (LRB(a1219)) Oallop Level 533	
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10-27.	A.	Assembly amendment 1 to Assembly amendment 5 offered by committee on Judiciary (LRB a1260)	0
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10-27.	A.	Report Assembly Amendment 4 adoption recommended by committee on Judiciary, Ayes 5, Noes 3546	1/1/2
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11-01.	Α.	Assembly amendment 6 offered by Representatives Wieckert and Staskunas (LRB a1311) [A. J.	
11-01.	A.	Assembly amendment 6 adopted 570	~
11-01.	A.	Assembly amendment 7 offered by Representatives Colon and Ziegelbauer (LRB a1297) 570	
11-01.	A.	Assembly amendment 7 laid on table, Ayes 57, Noes 39	
11-01.	A.	Ordered to a third reading	
11-01.	A.	Rules suspended	
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October 20, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives Wieckert, Honadel, Nischke, Huebsch, Jeskewitz, Albers, Gunderson, Ott, Musser, Lothian, Stone, Hahn, Nass, LeMahieu and Ainsworth, cosponsored by Senators Kanavas, Schultz, Reynolds, Darling, Stepp, Olsen, Grothman, S. Fitzgerald, A. Lasee and Harsdorf. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

AN ACT to create 895.046 of the statutes; relating to: actions against

manufacturers, distributors, sellers, and promoters of products.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

In *Thomas v. Mallett*, 2005 WI 129, the Wisconsin Supreme Court held that the manufacturers of white lead carbonate, which was used as a pigment in paint, may be liable for the injuries caused to a child who had ingested paint that contained the white lead carbonate, although the child could not prove that a particular manufacturer produced the white lead carbonate that he ingested. The court made that decision based on the risk–contribution theory, saying that all of the manufacturers' white lead carbonate were basically the same, the manufacturers created the risk of injury, and they should all contribute to the payment of the child's damages.

This bill provides that a manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product generally may be held liable for damages only if the injured party proves, in addition to the causation, damages, and other elements of the claim, that the specific product that caused the injury was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted by the defendant. The bill also provides that if an injured party cannot prove that the defendant manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted the specific product that caused the injury, the defendant may be held liable if, in addition to proving the other elements of the claim, the injured party proves all of the following:

- 1. That no other legal process exists for the injured party to obtain damages.
- 2. That the injury could only be caused by a product that is chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the injury.



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- 3. That the defendant manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted a product that was chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the injury during the time period in which that specific product was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted.
- 4. That the defendants named in the action collectively, during the relevant production period, manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted within this state at least 80 percent of all products that were chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the injury sold in this state.

The bill limits liability to products that were manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted within 25 years before the date the injury occurred and only if the product was manufactured for more than five years.

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

**Section 1.** 895.046 of the statutes is created to read:

(9)(a)"Claimant

**895.046** Remedies against manufacturers, distributors, sellers, and promoters of products. (1) Definition. In this section "claimant" means a person seeking damages or other relief for injury or harm to a person or property caused by or arising from a product.

- (2) APPLICABILITY. This section applies to all actions in which a claimant alleges that the manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product is liable for an injury or harm to a person or property, including actions based on allegations that the design, manufacture, distribution, sale, or promotion of, or instructions or warnings about, a product caused or contributed to a personal injury or harm to a person or property, a private nuisance, or a public nuisance, and to all related or independent claims, including unjust enrichment, restitution, or indemnification.
- (3) Remedy with specific product identification. Except as provided in sub. (4), the manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product may be held liable in an action under sub. (2) only if the claimant proves, in addition to any other elements required to prove his or her claim, that the manufacturer, distributor,

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seller, or promoter of a product manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted the specific product alleged to have caused the claimant's injury or harm.

(4) REMEDY WITHOUT SPECIFIC PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION. Subject to sub. (5), if a claimant cannot meet the burden of proof under sub. (3), the manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product may be held liable for an action under sub.

(2) only if the claimant proves all of the following:

(a) That no other legal process exists for the claimant to obtain redress from another person for the injury or harm.

- (b) That the claimant has suffered an injury or harm that can be caused only by a product chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury or harm.
- That the manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted a product that meets all of the following criteria:
- 1. Is chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury or harm.
- 2. Was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted in this state during the time period in which the specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury or harm was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted.
- (d) The manufacturers, distributors, sellers, or promoters of a product who are named as defendants in the action collectively, during the relevant production period, manufactured, distributed, sold, and promoted within this state at least 80 percent of all products chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury sold in this state.

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(5) Limitation on liability. No manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter
of a product is liable under sub. (4) if any of the following conditions exist:
More than 25 years have passed between the date that the manufacturer,
distributor, seller, or promoter of a product last manufactured, distributed, sold, or
promoted a product chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused
the claimant's injury and the date that the claimant's cause of action accrued.
(b) The period of the manufacturing of a product chemically identical to the
specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury was more than 5 years.

**(6)** APPORTIONMENT OF LIABILITY. If more than one manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product is found liable for the claimant's injury or harm under subs. (4) and (5), the court shall apportion liability among those manufacturers, distributors, sellers, and promoters, but that liability shall be several and not joint.

#### **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

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

#### **SECTION 3. Effective date.**

(1) This act takes effect on first day of the 2nd month beginning after publication.

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The text of Engrossed 2005 Assembly Bill 778 consists of the following documents adopted in the assembly on November 1, 2005: Assembly Amendment 1 (as affected by Assembly Amendment 1 thereto), Assembly Amendment 4, Assembly Amendment 5 (as affected by Assembly Amendment 1 thereto), and Assembly Amendment 6.

Content of Engrossed 2005 Assembly Amendment) 778:

In Thomas v. Mallett, 2005 WI 129, the Wisconsin Supreme Court held that the manufacturers of white lead carbonate, which was used as a pigment in paint, may be liable for the injuries caused to a child who had ingested paint that contained the white lead carbonate, although the child could not prove that a particular manufacturer produced the white lead carbonate that he ingested. The court made that decision based on the risk-contribution theory, saying that all of the manufacturers' white lead carbonate were basically the same, the manufacturers created the risk of injury, and they should all contribute to the payment of the child's , the term that appeared in damages if the other elements of the claim are proved.

This bill provides that a manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product generally may be held liable for damages only if the injured party proves, in addition to the causation, damages, and other elements of the claim, that the specific product that caused the injury was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted by the defendant. The bill also provides that if an injured party cannot prove that the defendant manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted the specific product that caused the injury, the defendant may be held liable if, in addition to proving the other elements of the claim, the injured party proves all of the following:

1. That no other lawful (in place of legal) process exists for the injured party to seek (in place of obtain) damages.

2. That the injury could only be caused by a product that is chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the injury.

3. That the defendant manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted a product that was chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the injury during the time period in which that specific product was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted.

4. That the action names as defendants those manufacturers who collectively, during the relevant production period, manufactured (in place of manufactured, distributed, sold or promoted at least 80 percent of all products sold in this state that were chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the injury or harm.

that appeared in the original Assembly Bill 778

The bill limits liability to products that were manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted within 25 years before the date the injury occurred but removes the Tanguage that would also have required that the product was manufactured for more than five years. <

This bill now defines "relevant production period" as the time period during which the specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury or harm was manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted. The original Assembly Bill

did not define this term.

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# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1, TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 778

October 25, 2005 – Offered by Representative Wieckert.

1	At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:
2	${f 1.}$ Page 2, line 3: delete the material beginning with "Definition" and ending
3	with "person" and substitute "DEFINITIONS. In this section:".
4	<b>2.</b> Page 2, line 4: delete that line and substitute:
5	"(a) "Claimant" means a person seeking damages or other relief for injury or
6	harm to a person or property caused by".
7	<b>3.</b> Page 2, line 5: after that line insert:
8	(b) "Relevant production period" means the time period during which the
serts 9	specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury or harm was
10	manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted.
AA I	4. Page 4, line 7: delete lines 7 and 8 and substitute:

1 (bm) The claimant has not established that the relevant production period was
2 less than 5 years."

(END)

# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1, TO ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1, TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 778

November 1, 2005 – Offered by Representative Wieckert.

1	At the locations indicated, amend the amendment as follows:
2	$oldsymbol{1}$ . Page 1, line 11: delete the material beginning with that line and ending with
3	page 2, line 2.

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# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 4, TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 778

October 25, 2005 – Offered by Representative Wieckert.

4	(END)
3	"(a) That no other lawful process exists for the claimant to seek redress from".
2	1. Page 3, line 7: delete that line and substitute:
1	At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 5, TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 778

October 26, 2005 – Offered by Representative Wieckert.

	1	At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:
get t	2	1. Page 3, line 20: delete lines 20 to 24 and substitute:
	3	That the manufacturers of a product who are named as defendants in the
	4	action collectively, during the relevant production period, accounted for at least 80
	5	percent of all products sold in this state that are chemically identical to the specific
AAS	6	product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury or harm.
*	7	(END)
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# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1, TO ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 5, TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 778

October 27, 2005 – Offered by Committee on Judiciary.

1	At the locations indicated, amend the amendment as follows:
2	1. Page 1, line 3: delete lines 3 and 4 and substitute:
3	""(dm) That the action names as defendants those manufacturers of a product
4	who collectively, during the relevant production period, manufactured at least 80".
5	(END)

# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 6, TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 778

November 1, 2005 - Offered by Representatives Wieckert and Staskunas.

At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

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1. Page 4, line 2: delete lines 2 to 8 and substitute of a product is liable under sub. (4) if more than 25 years have passed between the date that the manufacturer, distributor, seller, or promoter of a product last manufactured, distributed, sold, or promoted a product chemically identical to the specific product that allegedly caused the claimant's injury and the date that the claimant's cause of action accrued.".

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