



2005 SENATE BILL 342

September 20, 2005 - Introduced by Senators GROTHMAN, OLSEN, STEPP and REYNOLDS, cosponsored by Representatives LEMAHIEU, KESTELL, AINSWORTH, TOWNS, ALBERS, OWENS, HAHN, HINES, VOS, VAN ROY and F. LASEE. Referred to Committee on Energy, Utilities and Information Technology.

- 1 **AN ACT to amend** 100.45 (5e) of the statutes; **relating to:** regulating substitutes
2 for ozone-depleting refrigerants used in mobile air conditioners.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law imposes certain restrictions on the sale, installation, and recovery of ozone-depleting refrigerants used in air conditioners in motor vehicles (mobile air conditioners). These restrictions currently include: 1) prohibiting the sale of a container of an ozone-depleting refrigerant in a container that contains less than 15 pounds of the refrigerant; and 2) prohibiting repair of a mobile air conditioner that may release ozone-depleting refrigerants unless the person performing the repair holds a registration certificate issued by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (department); pumps any ozone-depleting refrigerant removed from the mobile air conditioner into storage tanks; and recycles the stored refrigerant or transfers it to another person for recycling.

Current law also authorizes the department to promulgate rules providing that the restrictions applicable to ozone-depleting refrigerants also apply with respect to substances used as substitutes for ozone-depleting refrigerants. This bill prohibits the department from promulgating or enforcing such rules.

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:

