



2005 SENATE BILL 442

November 16, 2005 – Introduced by Senators DECKER, BRESKE, GROTHMAN, A. LASEE, ZIEN and HANSEN, cosponsored by Representatives MUSSER, VAN ROY and SUDER. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 167.31 (2) (b) and 167.31 (4) (cm) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 placing, possessing, or transporting a firearm, bow, or crossbow in or on a
3 vehicle.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

In general, no person may place, possess, or transport a firearm, bow, or crossbow in or on a vehicle, unless: 1) in a case involving a firearm, the firearm is unloaded and completely enclosed in a case that is made for the purpose of containing a firearm; or 2) in a case involving a bow or crossbow, the bow or crossbow is either unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case. A person who violates this prohibition is subject to a forfeiture of not more than \$100.

This bill eliminates the requirement that a firearm be encased when it is in or on a vehicle. The bill also eliminates the requirement that a bow or crossbow be unstrung or in a carrying case when it is in or on a vehicle.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 167.31 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 167.31 (2) (b) Except as provided in sub. (4), no person may place, possess or
6 transport a firearm, ~~bow or crossbow~~ in or on a vehicle, unless the firearm is unloaded

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SECTION 1

1 ~~and encased or unless the bow or crossbow is unstrung or is enclosed in a carrying~~
2 ~~case.~~

3 **SECTION 2.** 167.31 (4) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 167.31 (4) (cm) For purposes of pars. (c) and (cg), the exemption from sub. (2)
5 (b) under these paragraphs only applies to the firearm, ~~bow or crossbow~~ being used
6 for hunting by the holder of the Class A or Class B permit under s. 29.193 (2).

7 **(END)**