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Senate

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Senate Bill 85

Relating to: crossing a fire hose that is being used in an emergency situation.

By Senators Brown, S. Fitzgerald and Roessler; cosponsored by Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Owens, Ballweg, Black, Hines, Kerkman and Krawczyk.

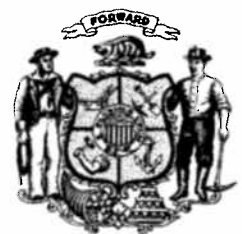
February 24, 2005 Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

May 4, 2006 Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

Dan Johnson
Committee Clerk



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





April 5, 2005

The Honorable Neal Kedzie
State Senator
State Capitol, Room 313 South
Madison, WI

- HAND DELIVERED -

Dear Senator Kedzie:

I write to respectfully request that the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation schedule Senate Bill (SB) 85 for a public hearing. SB 85, introduced to your committee on February 28, 2005, seeks to further protections afforded to firefighters and the equipment they use, specifically fire hoses.

Under current law, no person may drive a vehicle over an unprotected fire hose that is laid down to be used at any fire or alarm of fire emergency. A person who does so may be required to forfeit not less than \$20 or no more than \$40 for the first offense and not less than \$50 or no more than \$100 for a second or subsequent violation within one year. SB 85 would preclude a person from driving a vehicle over an unprotected fire hose that is laid down to be used at any training exercise, the scene of an emergency or alarm of emergency. Current law penalties would apply to violations of these additional prohibitions.

While it may seem obvious that a motorist should avoid driving over an unprotected fire hose, as a former fire chief, I can attest that such occurrences happen all too often. Such incidents jeopardize public safety and increase fire department costs.

I thank you for your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions regarding SB 85, please do not hesitate to contact me. I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ron Brown".

Ron Brown
State Senate
31st District

RB:dkl