2007 SENATE BILL 131

April 6, 2007 – Introduced by Senators Lassa, Darling, Cowles, Olsen, Erpenbach, Leibham and Kanavas, cosponsored by Representatives Wieckert, Petersen, Townsend, Jeskewitz, Soletski, Roth, Nygren, LeMahieu, Seidel, Newcomer, Honadel, Lothian, Strachota, Kestell, Gronemus, A. Ott and Fields. Referred to Committee on Commerce. Utilities and Rail.

- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 101.654 (1m) (b) 1. of the statutes; **relating to:** continuing
- 2 education requirements for persons applying for a building permit.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, new one— and two–family dwellings must meet the requirements of the one— and two–family dwelling code (dwelling code) promulgated by the Department of Commerce (Commerce). Current law also provides that, with certain exceptions, a person may not begin construction on a building that is subject to the dwelling code unless that person obtains a building permit from the municipality administering the code, or, where no municipality is authorized to administer the code, from Commerce.

Current law specifies that a person may not obtain a building permit unless the person completes certain continuing education requirements. Among those requirements is that a permit applicant complete at least six hours of approved continuing education annually. This bill changes the minimum continuing education requirement so that an applicant for a building permit must instead complete at least 12 hours of approved continuing education every two years.

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

SECTION 1. 101.654 (1m) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

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(END)
person seeking to obtain a building permit, approved by the department.
$\underline{12}$ hours of continuing education relevant to the professional area of expertise of the
101.654 (1m) (b) 1. Annual completion Completion every 2 years of at least 6