

## 2007 SENATE BILL 359

December 17, 2007 – Introduced by Senators RISSER, LASSA and TAYLOR, cosponsored by Representatives ALBERS, GRONEMUS, KESSLER, HAHN, A. WILLIAMS, PETROWSKI, BERCEAU and JESKEWITZ. Referred to Committee on Ethics Reform and Government Operations.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 11.34 (1); and *to create* 11.34 (1m) of the statutes; **relating**  
2     **to:** religious or charitable gifts from candidates.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Currently, no person may demand, solicit, take, invite, or receive from a candidate any gift of anything of value for a religious or charitable cause. No candidate may make, intimate, or promise such a gift.

This bill permits a person to take or receive a gift of anything of value from a candidate for a religious or charitable organization. The bill also permits a candidate to make, intimate, or promise such a gift.

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

3     **SECTION 1.** 11.34 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

4     11.34 (1) No person may demand, solicit, take, invite or receive from a  
5     candidate any gift of anything of value for a ~~religious, charitable or fraternal~~ cause  
6     or for any organization other than a political committee or group, except that a  
7     person may take or receive from a candidate a gift of anything of value for a religious

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1 or charitable organization. No candidate may make, intimate or promise such a gift  
2 that is prohibited under this subsection.

3 **SECTION 2.** 11.34 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

4 **11.34 (1m)** No person may demand, solicit, or invite from a candidate any gift  
5 of anything of value for a religious or charitable cause. No candidate may intimate  
6 or promise such a gift.

7 **(END)**