

2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 581

November 15, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives GUNDERSON, GRONEMUS, ALBERS, BIES, FRISKE, HINES, HONADEL, HRAYCHUCK, KERKMAN, KLEEFISCH, KRAMER, F. LASEE, LEMAHIEU, MONTGOMERY, MOULTON, MURTHA, MUSSER, NASS, NEWCOMER, A. OTT, OWENS, PETERSEN, PETROWSKI, PRIDEMORE, ROTH, SCHNEIDER, TAUCHEN, VAN ROY, VOS, VRUWINK and WOOD, cosponsored by Senators BRESKE, ROESSLER, GROTHMAN, KANAVAS, KAPANKE, KEDZIE, A. LASEE, LEIBHAM, PLALE, VINEHOUT and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and State Preparedness.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 166.25 of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting exercise of
2 emergency powers to restrict activities related to firearms or ammunition.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law grants various state and local officials, including the governor, adjutant general, and the governing body, chief executive, or acting chief executive of a political subdivision, authority to exercise emergency powers during emergencies resulting from an enemy action or natural or man-made disaster. This bill provides that a person who is granted such emergency powers may not exercise the powers to restrict the possession, transfer, sale, transport, storage, display, or use of firearms or ammunition during an emergency.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 166.25 of the statutes is created to read:
4 **166.25 Prohibition against restricting firearms or ammunition during**
5 **emergency.** A person who is granted emergency powers under s. 166.03 or 166.23

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SECTION 1

1 may not use those powers to restrict the possession, transfer, sale, transport, storage,
2 display, or use of firearms or ammunition during an emergency.

3 (END)