

2007 Senate Bill 330

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## 2007 WISCONSIN ACT 147

AN ACT to amend 145.045 (1), 145.14 (2) (a), 145.195 (1) and 145.195 (2) of the statutes; relating to: use of phrases to describe a private sewage system (suggested as remedial legislation by the Department of Commerce).

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

**SECTION 1.** 145.045 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

145.045 (1) **POWERS AND DUTIES.** The department shall by rule establish an examining program for the certification of soil testers, setting such standards as the department finds necessary to accomplish the purposes of this chapter. Such standards shall include formal written examinations for all applicants. The department shall charge applicants for the cost of examination and certification. After July 1, 1974, no person may construct soil bore holes, or conduct soil percolation tests or other similar tests specified by the department, relating to the disposal of liquid domestic wastes into the soil that relate to private sewage systems unless the person holds a valid certificate issued under this section.

**SECTION 2.** 145.14 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

145.14 (2) (a) *Sewer services.* Persons classified under this paragraph may install septic tanks for private sewage disposal systems, may install drain fields designed to serve such septic tanks, and the may install

sewer service from the septic tank or sewer extensions from mains to the immediate inside or proposed inside foundation wall of the building.

**SECTION 3.** 145.195 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

145.195 (1) No county, city, town or village may issue a building permit for construction of any structure requiring connection to a private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system unless a private sewage system satisfying all applicable regulations already exists to serve the proposed structure or all permits necessary to install such a private sewage system have been obtained.

**SECTION 4.** 145.195 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

145.195 (2) Before issuing a building permit for construction of any structure on property not served by a municipal sewage treatment plant, the county, city, town or village shall determine that the proposed construction does not interfere with a functioning private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system. The county, city, town or village may require building permit applicants to submit a detailed plan of the owner's existing private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2005-06 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].