



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Senate Bill 284

**Senate
Amendment 1**

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Senate Bill 284 relates to the open burning of solid waste and the illegal storage or disposal of waste tires. Part of the bill authorizes Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and local law enforcement officials to issue citations for violations of laws or licenses regulating the open burning of solid waste.

Senate Amendment 1 conforms current forestry law with the bill's open burning enforcement provisions. The state forestry law (ch. 26, Stats.) provides a town chairperson, among others, the authority to arrest a person when the person is detected actually committing a violation of forestry statutes and other specified laws. Senate Amendment 1 adds the open burning regulations created by the bill to the list of statutes that a town chairperson can enforce under this forestry law.

Legislative History

On February 5, 2008, Senator Lassa offered Senate Amendment 1. On February 8, 2008, the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommended adoption of Senate Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0; and recommended passage of Senate Bill 284, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 4; Noes, 1. The Senate adopted Senate Amendment 1 and passed Senate Bill 284, as amended, on voice votes on February 19, 2008.

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