2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 338

May 15, 2007 – Introduced by Representatives GUNDRUM, MUSSER, HRAYCHUCK, JESKEWITZ, BERCEAU, A. OTT, GUNDERSON, NASS, ALBERS, TOWNSEND, NYGREN and KRUSICK, cosponsored by Senators LASSA, OLSEN, DARLING and ROESSLER. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Ethics.

AN ACT to renumber and amend 946.47 (3); and to create 946.47 (3) (a) of the statutes; relating to: aiding or harboring a felon.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law prohibits a person from harboring or aiding a felon with the intent to prevent the felon from being apprehended and from destroying, altering, hiding, or disguising physical evidence with the intent to prevent a felon from being apprehended. These prohibitions do not apply to the felon or to his or her spouse, parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, or sister (felon’s family). This bill applies to the felon’s family the prohibition against destroying, altering, hiding, or disguising physical evidence with the intent to prevent a felon from being apprehended.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a report concerning the proposed penalty and the costs or savings that are likely to result if the bill is enacted.

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

SECTION 1. 946.47 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 946.47 (3) (b) and amended to read:
946.47 (3) (b) This section Subsection (1) (a) does not apply to the felon, to the felon’s spouse or to a parent, grandparent, child, grandchild, brother, or sister of the felon, whether by blood, marriage, or adoption.

SECTION 2. 946.47 (3) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

946.47 (3) (a) Subsection (1) does not apply to the felon.

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