2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 411


1 An Act to amend 943.34 (1) (bm) and 948.62 (1) (bm) of the statutes; relating to: receiving a stolen firearm, and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who steals a firearm is guilty of a Class H felony and may be fined up to $10,000, imprisoned for up to six years, or both. A person who receives stolen property may be guilty of a misdemeanor or a felony, depending on the value of the property received, and the amount of forfeiture, fine, jail time, or imprisonment to which the person may be subjected is determined by the value of the property received.

Under this bill, a person who receives a stolen firearm, regardless of the value of the firearm, is guilty of a Class H felony and may be fined up to $10,000, imprisoned for up to six years, or both.

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. 943.34 (1) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:
943.34 (1) (bm) A Class H felony, if the property is a firearm or if the value of
the property exceeds $5,000 but does not exceed $10,000.

SECTION 2. 948.62 (1) (bm) of the statutes is amended to read:
948.62 (1) (bm) A Class H felony, if the property is a firearm or if the value of
the property exceeds $2,500 but does not exceed $5,000.

(END)