

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 358 [2009 Senate Bill 533]

Integrated Crime Alert Network

2009 Wisconsin Act 358 amends the law regarding the information services provided by the Department of Justice (DOJ).

Prior to Act 358, Wisconsin statutes provided that DOJ was required to investigate crimes of statewide import and act as a clearinghouse for information exchanges between law enforcement officers. These responsibilities were to be met by the issuance of bulletins by mail or telecommunication and by cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and information exchanges with other states.

Act 358, in addition to prior law, provides that DOJ may operate an integrated crime alert network to provide information on known or suspected criminal activity, crime prevention, and missing and endangered persons to state agencies, law enforcement officers, and members of the private sector. The department may charge a fee to private sector information recipients. The department only may use moneys received from these fee payments for the provision of the crime alert network along with any money received as gifts, grants, or donations for this purpose.

Effective date: The Act takes effect on May 28, 2010.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.