



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2009 Assembly Bill 464**

**Assembly Amendments  
1 and 2**

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*2009 Assembly Bill 464* requires that an employer permit an employee who is a volunteer fire fighter, emergency medical technician, first responder, or ambulance driver for a volunteer fire department or fire company, a public agency, or a nonprofit corporation to be late for or absent from work if the lateness or absence is due to the employee responding to an emergency that begins before the employee is required to report to work and if the employee complies with certain notification requirements. An employee is not entitled to receive wages or salary for the time the employee is absent from work due to responding to an emergency.

*Assembly Amendment 1* excludes paid fire departments and ambulance service providers from the requirements in the bill. The amendment also inserts a cross-reference to the definition of “employee.”

*Assembly Amendment 2* excludes individuals employed to provide direct patient care at a hospital intensive care unit or emergency department from the requirements in the bill.

### Legislative History

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Gunderson, and Assembly Amendment 2 was offered by Representative Jorgensen. On December 2, 2009, the Assembly Committee on Labor recommended adoption of both amendments on votes of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0; and Absent, 1. The committee then recommended passage of Assembly Bill 464, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0; and Absent, 1.

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