



2011 SENATE BILL 476

February 14, 2012 – Introduced by Senators GROTHMAN, OLSEN, SCHULTZ, TAYLOR and S. FITZGERALD, cosponsored by Representatives STRACHOTA, THIESFELDT, MARKLEIN, BIES, LEMAHIEU, A. OTT, BERNIER, SINICKI and CLARK. Referred to Committee on Labor, Public Safety, and Urban Affairs.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 995.225 (1) (intro.) of the statutes; **relating to:** changing the
2 date of fire prevention week from the week of October 8 to the week of October
3 9.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, Wisconsin observes fire prevention week during the week that contains October 8, the anniversary of the start of the Peshtigo and Chicago fires. The National Fire Protection Association observes fire prevention week during the week that contains October 9, the date when most of the damage in Peshtigo and Chicago occurred. In some years, these dates occur in different weeks.

This bill changes the reference date for fire prevention week from October 8 to October 9.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 995.225 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 995.225 (1) (intro.) The week in October during which October 8 9 falls is
6 designated Fire Prevention Week and the Saturday of the preceding week at the end
7 of Fire Prevention Week is designated Wisconsin Firefighters Memorial Day. In

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1 conjunction with the week, appropriate observances, ceremonies, exercises, and
2 activities may be held under state auspices to do all of the following:

3 (END)