AN ACT to amend 12.60 (1) (b); and to create 12.13 (3) (zp) of the statutes; relating to: signing a petition to recall the same officer more than once and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits any person from signing a petition for the recall of the same officer more than once during the same 60-day circulation period. Violators are guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than $1,000 or imprisoned for not more than six months, or both. Currently, no such prohibition applies.

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. 12.13 (3) (zp) of the statutes is created to read:
12.13 (3) (zp) Sign a petition for the recall of the same officer more than once during the same circulation period under s. 9.10 (2) (d).
SECTION 2. 12.60 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12.60 (1) (b) Whoever violates s. 12.03, 12.05, 12.07, 12.08 or 12.13 (2) (b) 8.,
(3) (b), (c), (d), (g), (i), (n) to (x), (ze), (zm) or (zn), or (zp) may be fined not more than
$1,000, or imprisoned not more than 6 months or both.

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