



2013 SENATE BILL 303

September 24, 2013 – Introduced by Senators LASSA and LEHMAN, cosponsored by Representatives KRUG, VRUWINK, BIES, A. OTT, WACHS, T. LARSON, LOUDENBECK and SINICKI. Referred to Energy, Consumer Protection, and Government Reform.

1 **AN ACT to create** 100.415 of the statutes; **relating to:** the display and sale of
2 novelty lighters and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits the sale of novelty lighters to minors and prohibits the display for retail sale of novelty lighters in an area of a retail establishment that is accessible to the general public. Under the bill, “novelty lighter” means a device containing a combustible fuel intended for use in igniting cigarettes, cigars, or pipes, if any of the following applies: 1) the device is designed to resemble a cartoon character, toy, gun, watch, musical instrument, vehicle, animal, food, or beverage, unless the resemblance is solely the result of printing or decoration with a logo, label, decal, artwork, or a heat-shrinkable sleeve; or 2) the device plays musical notes, has flashing lights, or has other features that are appealing to or intended for use by juveniles, except that “novelty lighter” does not include a device manufactured before 1980 or a device intended for use in igniting a fire in a fireplace or wood stove or in a charcoal or gas grill. A person who violates the prohibitions in the bill is subject to a forfeiture of up to \$100.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

