



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2013 Wisconsin Act 218
[2013 Senate Bill 256]

Motor Vehicle Salvage Dealers

Wisconsin law prohibits carrying on the business of a motor vehicle salvage dealer unless licensed to do so by the Department of Transportation. Under **prior law**, any person violating this provision may be fined between \$500 and \$5,000, or imprisoned for not more than 60 days, or both.

2013 Wisconsin Act 218 provides that a person who violates the prohibition against carrying on the business of a motor vehicle salvage dealer without a license may be required to forfeit between \$500 and \$5,000 for a first offense and may be fined between \$500 and \$5,000, or imprisoned for not more than 60 days, or both, for a second or subsequent conviction within five years of a first offense.

Effective date and initial applicability: The Act took effect on April 10, 2014 and first applies to violations committed on that day. However, the Act does not preclude counting other violations as prior violations for purposes of sentencing.

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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: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.