

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2013 Senate Bill 426		Senate Amendment 1
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2013 Senate Bill 426 affects various provisions of the statutes to correct errors and reconcile conflicts. One such provision affected by the bill is the statute relating to civil liability for forest fires. The current statute provides that, in a civil action, a court may award reasonable costs for legal representation to *provide* owners recovering damages under the statute. The bill replaces "provide" with "private."

Senate Amendment 1 deletes this change to the statute relating to civil liability for forest fires, thus retaining the language in the current statute.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor. On January 14, 2014, the committee voted unanimously to adopt the amendment and recommend passage of the bill, as amended.

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