



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2015 Wisconsin Act 91**  
[2015 Senate Bill 110]

**Exemption From Civil Liability for  
Placing Buoys**

2015 Wisconsin Act 91 provides that a person is immune from civil liability for damage or injury caused by placing, or failing to place, buoys or other markers in a waterway if: (1) the person holds, or acts under the direction of a person who holds, a permit or other approval from the Department of Natural Resources that authorizes the placement of the buoys or markers in the water; and (2) the permit or other approval authorizes placement of buoys or markers for the purpose of identifying or marking hazards in the waterway. Under the Act, a person is not immune from civil liability for damage or injury caused by placing, or failing to place, buoys or other markers in a waterway if the person intentionally causes the damage or injury.

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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>.