



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Senate Bill 478

Senate Amendment 1

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2015 SENATE BILL 478

2015 Senate Bill 478 (the bill) prohibits the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) from requiring and prohibits a city, village, or town from enacting or enforcing an ordinance requiring a county or organized agricultural society, association, or board to install or maintain an automatic fire suppression system for a building on fairgrounds, if: (1) the building is open to the public only for seasonal or temporary event use for fewer than 500 hours per year; and (2) public access to the building is provided by garage style doors that remain open when the building is open to the public.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 (the amendment) modifies the first criterion listed above. Under the amendment, the bill's prohibitions on DSPS and on a city, village, or town apply if: (1) the building is open to the public only for seasonal or temporary event use for **180 cumulative days or fewer**; and (2) public access to the building is provided by garage style doors that remain open when the building is open to the public.

BILL HISTORY

On January 13, 2016, the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Small Business, and Tourism recommended Senate Bill 478 for passage on a vote of Ayes, 9; Noes, 0.

On January 20, 2016, Senator Moulton offered Senate Amendment 1. On the same day, the Senate adopted Senate Amendment 1 and passed Senate Bill 478, as amended on voice votes.

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