
AN ACT to repeal 943.13 (1m) (c) 5.; to amend 175.60 (2g) (a), 938.78 (3) and 943.13 (2) (bm) 2. am.; and to create 941.238 of the statutes; relating to: going armed with a dangerous weapon at a college or university and providing a criminal penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits a person from carrying a dangerous weapon on a university or college campus. A person who violates the prohibition is guilty of a Class I felony.

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

SECTION 1. 175.60 (2g) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

175.60 (2g) (a) A licensee or an out-of-state licensee may carry a concealed weapon anywhere in this state except as provided under subs. (15m) and (16) and ss. 941.238 (1), 943.13 (1m) (c), and 948.605 (2) (b) 1r.

SECTION 2. 938.78 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:
938.78 (3) Release of information when escape or absence; rules. If a juvenile adjudged delinquent under s. 48.12, 1993 stats., or s. 938.12 or found to be in need of protection or services under s. 48.13 (12), 1993 stats., or s. 48.13 (14), 1993 stats., or s. 938.13 (12) or (14) on the basis of a violation of s. 943.23 (1m) or (1r), 1999 stats., or s. 941.10, 941.11, 941.20, 941.21, 941.23, 941.235, 941.237, 941.238, 941.24, 941.26, 941.28, 941.295, 941.298, 941.30, 941.31, 941.32, 941.325, 943.02, 943.03, 943.04, 943.10 (2) (a), 943.23 (1g), 943.32 (2), 948.02, 948.025, 948.03, 948.05, 948.055, 948.085 (2), 948.60, 948.605, or 948.61 or any crime specified in ch. 940 has escaped from a juvenile correctional facility, residential care center for children and youth, inpatient facility, as defined in s. 51.01 (10), juvenile detention facility, or juvenile portion of a county jail, or from the custody of a peace officer or a guard of such a facility, center, or jail, or has been allowed to leave a juvenile correctional facility, residential care center for children and youth, inpatient facility, juvenile detention facility, or juvenile portion of a county jail for a specified time period and is absent from the facility, center, home, or jail for more than 12 hours after the expiration of the specified period, the department or county department having supervision over the juvenile may release the juvenile’s name and any information about the juvenile that is necessary for the protection of the public or to secure the juvenile’s return to the facility, center, home, or jail. The department shall promulgate rules establishing guidelines for the release of the juvenile’s name or information about the juvenile to the public.

SECTION 3. 941.238 of the statutes is created to read:

941.238 Carrying a dangerous weapon on college campuses. (1)

Whoever intentionally goes armed with a dangerous weapon in any building or facility on the grounds of a university or college or intentionally goes armed with a
dangerous weapon on the grounds of a university or college is guilty of a Class I felony.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to any of the following:

(a) A law enforcement officer who is acting in his or her official capacity.

(b) A member of the U.S. armed forces or national guard going armed while in the line of duty.

(c) An individual who is going armed with a dangerous weapon as part of a program approved by the college of university in which the individual is participating.

SECTION 4. 943.13 (1m) (c) 5. of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 5. 943.13 (2) (bm) 2. am. of the statutes is amended to read:

943.13 (2) (bm) 2. am. For the purposes of sub. (1m) (c) 2., 4., and 5., an owner or occupant of a part of a nonresidential building, or the state or a local governmental unit, or a university or a college has notified an individual not to enter or remain in a part of the building while carrying a firearm or with a particular type of firearm if the owner, occupant, state, or local governmental unit, university, or college has posted a sign that is located in a prominent place near all of the entrances to the part of the building to which the restriction applies and any individual entering the building can be reasonably expected to see the sign.

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