



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 131
[2017 Senate Bill 308]

Patronizing a Prostitute

Current law prohibits patronizing a prostitute. Under this prohibition, a person who enters or remains in any place of prostitution with intent to have nonmarital sexual intercourse or to commit an act of sexual gratification involving the sex organ of one person and the mouth or anus of another, masturbation, or sexual contact with a prostitute is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

2017 Wisconsin Act 131 increases the penalty for patronizing a prostitute from a Class A misdemeanor to a Class I felony if the person has two prior convictions of that crime.

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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>.