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2021 Wisconsin Act 120 [2021 Senate Bill 242]

Intentional Destruction of a Vaccine or Drug

2021 Wisconsin Act 120 creates a new crime relating to the destruction of vaccines, drugs, or other products.

Specifically, Act 120 criminalizes the act of destroying, handling, storing, or treating a vaccine, drug, or any other biologic product used as a therapeutic treatment with intent to render the vaccine, drug, or product unsafe, tainted, spoiled, ineffective, or otherwise unusable. However, this crime does not apply to the disposal of expired or recalled vaccines, drugs, or other products.

Act 120 provides that violations of this crime constitute a Class I felony, the penalty for which is a fine not to exceed \$10,000, imprisonment not to exceed three years and six months, or both.

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