



State of Wisconsin
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2021 SENATE BILL 121

February 18, 2021 - Introduced by Senators WANGGAARD, L. TAYLOR, DARLING, COWLES, FEYEN, JACQUE and NASS, cosponsored by Representatives SPIROS, ARMSTRONG, BRANDTJEN, MOSES, THIESFELDT and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Judiciary and Public Safety.

1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 66.0511 (1); **to amend** 66.0511 (2); and **to**
2 **create** 66.0511 (1) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** prohibiting use of choke
3 holds by law enforcement officers in use of force policies.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires law enforcement agencies to develop policies on the use of force by law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties. This bill provides that a law enforcement agency may not authorize in its use of force policy the use of choke holds by law enforcement officers, except in life-threatening situations or in self-defense.

For further information see the **local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 66.0511 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 66.0511 (1) (intro.) and
5 amended to read:
6 66.0511 (1) ~~DEFINITION~~ DEFINITIONS. (intro.) In this section, “law;
7 (b) “Law enforcement agency” has the meaning given under s. 165.83 (1) (b).

