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2025 Wisconsin Act 4
[2025 Assembly Bill 99]

Tribal Government Authority to Copy Certified Copies of Vital Records

BACKGROUND

Under current law, a financial institution, state agency, county department, Wisconsin Works agency, service office, or long-term care district, or an employee of any of these entities, is exempt from penalties that would otherwise apply for copying a certified copy of a vital record if the copy is for use by the authorized entity and the copy is marked "FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE."

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The act adds tribal governments of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state and employees of tribal governments to the list of entities and persons who are authorized to copy a certified copy of a vital record for administrative use by the authorized entity.

Effective date: March 30, 2025

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's bill history page.

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