CHAPTER 12

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AN ACT to amend 241.09 of the statutes, relating to wage deductions to a financial institution without the signature of or notice to the spouse.

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

241.09 of the statutes is amended to read:

241.09 Assignment of wages. No assignment of the salary or wages of any married person shall be valid for any purpose unless such assignment shall be in writing signed by the person's spouse, if such spouse at the time is a member of his family, and unless the spouse's signature is witnessed by 2 disinterested witnesses; nor shall any assignment of the salary or wages of any person be valid as to any such salary or wages to accrue more than 6 months after the date of the making of such assignment, and except that any assignment of wages made in connection with a proceeding under s. 128.21 shall run concurrently with the period during which the amortization proceedings are in effect and shall become void upon the dismissal of the proceedings. Nothing in this section shall apply to assignments made under s. 101.21 nor to any authorization from an employe to his employer directing him to make deductions from wages to accrue in the future for union or employe club dues, insurance or annuities, war bond purchases, a revocable and voluntary deduction to his credit union if the employe is not living in the same household with his spouse or a state chartered financial institution operated primarily for the benefit of the employes of any particular employer or other financial institution under s. 705.01 (3), for contributions to the American Red Cross, a community fund or other similar charity, or any indebtedness to his employer. Nothing in this section shall apply to assignments for payroll deductions payable to a credit union if the employe is married and is living in the same household with his spouse. For such payroll deductions payable to a credit union the credit union shall promptly send a copy of such authorization to the spouse by 1st class mail. Such authorization shall state that it may be revoked at any time by either the employe or the spouse. No assignment of salary or wages or voluntary deduction which is permitted under this section shall be valid if prohibited by s. 422.404.