

1985 Assembly Bill 515

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1985 Wisconsin Act 293

AN ACT to amend 940.08 (1); and to create 940.245 of the statutes, relating to the negligent operation of a vehicle or dangerous weapon and providing penalties.

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

SECTION 1. 940.08 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

940.08 (1) Whoever causes the death of another human being by a high degree of negligence in the operation or handling of a vehicle, firearm, airgun, knife or bow and arrow is guilty of a Class ~~E~~ D felony.

SECTION 2. 940.245 of the statutes is created to read:

SECTION 3. **Cross-reference changes.** In the sections of the statutes listed in Column A, the cross-references shown in Column B are changed to the cross-references shown in Column C:

A	B	C
Statute Sections	Old Cross-References	New Cross-References
343.31 (1)(a)	940.09	940.09, 940.245
949.03 (1)(b)	940.24	940.24, 940.245
969.08 (10)(b)	940.24	940.24, 940.245

940.245 Injury by negligent use of a vehicle. (1) Whoever causes great bodily harm to another by a high degree of negligence in the operation or handling of a vehicle is guilty of a Class E felony.

(2) A high degree of negligence is conduct which demonstrates ordinary negligence to a high degree, consisting of an act which the person should realize creates a situation of unreasonable risk and high probability of death or great bodily harm to another.