State of Misconsin



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AN ACT *to amend* 137.01 (3) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** the impression on the seal or imprint of the rubber stamp of a notary public (suggested as remedial legislation by the secretary of state).

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

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE PREFATORY NOTE: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the secretary of state and introduced by the law revision committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4., stats. After careful consideration of the various provisions of the bill, the law revision committee has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.

SECTION 1. 137.01 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

137.01 (3) (a) Every notary public shall provide an engraved official seal which makes a distinct and legible impression or official rubber stamp which makes a distinct and legible imprint on paper. The impression of the seal or the imprint of the rubber stamp shall state, <u>only the following:</u> "Notary Public," "State of Wisconsin" and the name of the notary. But any notarial seal in use on August 1, 1959, shall be considered in compliance.

NOTE: This provision clarifies that the impression of the engraved official seal or imprint of the official rubber stamp of a notary public may contain only the phrases "notary public", "state of Wisconsin" and the name of the notary.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 1997–98: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].