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## ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO 1997 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 108

March 10, 1998 - Offered by Representative Bock.

1	Relating to: encouraging schools in Wisconsin to use and promote programs that
2	teach firearm safety to children.
3	Whereas, teaching children to act safely around firearms is a critical step in the
4	ongoing effort to reduce the number of firearm-related accidents among children;
5	and
6	Whereas, it is the belief of the Wisconsin legislature that firearm safety
7	training efforts are, to a major degree, responsible for a decline in gun-related
8	accidents among children; and
9	Whereas, firearm safety programs can teach the fundamentals of firearm
10	safety to children in an effective and enjoyable way, and can communicate lifesaving
11	messages to them, such as the following: "If you see a gun: STOP! DON'T TOUCH.
12	LEAVE THE AREA. TELL AN ADULT."; and
13	Whereas, the legislature wants to encourage civic activism and volunteerism

rather than impose new unfunded state mandates on local governments; and

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Whereas, the legislature encourages the state superintendent of public instruction to promote the use in our schools of firearm safety programs to help prevent firearm-related accidents among children; and

Whereas, the legislature encourages civic and community service organizations that are concerned about the safety and well-being of the children of our state to provide funding for using firearm safety programs in our schools; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature encourage the promotion and use of firearm safety programs in Wisconsin schools to help prevent firearms-related accidents; and, be it further Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to the state superintendent of public instruction.

13 (END)