



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2003 Wisconsin Act 2 [2003 Senate Bill 1]	Commission on Uniform State Laws
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2003 Wisconsin Act 2 changes the membership requirements for persons who serve on the Commission on Uniform State Laws.

The statutes create a nine-member Commission on Uniform State Laws to advise the Legislature with regard to uniform laws and model laws. Under prior law, the Commission consisted of the Director of the Legislative Council staff or a professional employee designated by the Director, the Chief of the Legislative Reference Bureau or a professional employee designated by the Chief, the Revisor of Statutes, two State Senators and two State Representatives from the two major political parties, and two public members appointed by the Governor.

Act 2 provides that only State Senators and State Representatives who are members of the State Bar of Wisconsin may be appointed to the seats designated for legislators. However, a seat designated for one of these offices that cannot be filled as a result of this requirement may be filled by a former State Senator or a former State Representative from the applicable political party who served on the Commission during his or her term as a Senator or Representative and who is a member of the State Bar of Wisconsin. The requirements of Act 2 do not apply if the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws permits persons to become voting commissioners or associate members of that organization without regard to membership in a state bar association.

Effective Date: Act 2 takes effect on April 10, 2003.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents.