

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 77 [2007 Assembly Bill 361]

Juvenile Court Jurisdiction Over a Child Whose Guardian Needs Assistance

2007 Wisconsin Act 77 creates a new ground for juvenile court jurisdiction under the Children's Code. Under the Act, the juvenile court has jurisdiction over a child whose guardian is unable or needs assistance to care for or provide necessary special treatment or care for the child, but is unwilling or unable to sign the petition requesting juvenile court jurisdiction.

Effective Date: Act 77 takes effect on March 27, 2008, and first applies to a child who meets the condition for jurisdiction set forth in the Act on the effective date of the Act.

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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 at the Legislature's Web site at: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.