



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 368
[2009 Assembly Bill 139]

Penalty for Littering Large Items

2009 Wisconsin Act 368 increases the maximum forfeiture from \$500 to \$1,000 for littering that involves the depositing of a “large item” on or along a highway, in any waters of the state, on the ice of any waters of the state, or on any other public or private property. “Large items” are appliances, furniture, tires, motor vehicles and other vehicles, boats, aircraft, building materials, and demolition waste.

Prior law exempts from the penalties for littering the placement of solid waste in a receptacle designed for solid waste storage and the discharge of solid waste in conformance with a specified permit, license, or other approval issued by the Department of Natural Resources. The Act expands these exemptions to also apply to this type of placement or discharge of a large item.

Effective date: 2009 Wisconsin Act 368 takes effect on June 2, 2010.

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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: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.