



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Bill 7

Assembly Amendment 1

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Current law authorizes the Department of Commerce to promulgate rules regarding the storage and handling of anhydrous ammonia. Any person who violates these rules may be required to forfeit not less than \$10 nor more than \$100.

Assembly Bill 7 creates new penalties that apply to certain violations of the anhydrous ammonia storage rules and creates new penalties relating to anhydrous ammonia. Assembly Bill 7 also creates an exemption from civil liability for a person who owns or uses anhydrous ammonia equipment if any injuries occur due to acts or omissions by persons who violate the prohibitions in the bill. Assembly Bill 7 has a delayed effective date, and would take effect on the first day of the sixth month beginning after publication.

Assembly Amendment 1 deletes the delayed effective date, so that the bill would take effect on the day after publication.