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2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 405

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AN ACT to renumber 973.014 (2); and to create 939.646 and 973.014 (2) (b) of the statutes; relating to: penalty for first-degree intentional homicide if victim is a law enforcement officer and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who commits first-degree intentional homicide is guilty of a Class A felony and subject to life imprisonment. When the court sentences a person to life imprisonment, the court must make a parole eligibility determination (for crimes committed on or after July 1, 1988, but before December 31, 1999) or an extended supervision eligibility date (for crimes committed on or after December 31, 1999). If the determination is for parole eligibility, the court must decide if the person is eligible for parole on a certain date, or not eligible for parole. If the determination is eligibility for release to extended supervision, the court must decide if the person is eligible after serving 20 years, eligible on a certain later date, or not eligible. A person who is a persistent repeater is not eligible for parole or extended supervision.

Under this bill, a person who commits first-degree homicide if the person knew, or should have known, that the victim is a law enforcement officer is not eligible for parole or extended supervision.

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For further information see the $\it state$ fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

1	Section 1. 939.646 of the statutes is created to read:
2	939.646 Penalty; crimes committed against law enforcement officers.
3	If a person commits a violation of s. 940.01 (1) and the person knew, or should have
4	known, that the victim of the violation is a law enforcement officer, as defined in s.
5	165.85 (2) (c), the term of imprisonment is life imprisonment without the possibility
6	of parole or extended supervision.
7	Section 2. 973.014 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 973.014 (2) (a).
8	Section 3. 973.014 (2) (b) of the statutes is created to read:
9	973.014 (2) (b) When a court sentences a person to life imprisonment under s.
10	939.646, the court shall provide that the sentence is without the possibility of parole
11	or extended supervision.
12	SECTION 4. Initial applicability.
13	(1) This act first applies to persons who are sentenced on the effective date of
14	this subsection.

(END)