

State of Misconsin 2009 - 2010 LEGISLATURE

2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 19

February 5, 2009 – Introduced by Representative SCHNEIDER. Referred to Committee on Consumer Protection.

1 AN ACT to create 100.58 of the statutes; relating to: requiring certain motor

vehicle radios to include weather radio systems.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill prohibits any person in the business of selling or installing vehicle radios from selling or installing a vehicle radio manufactured after January 1, 2011, unless the vehicle radio includes a weather radio system. This prohibition does not apply to any vehicle radio that is original equipment in a new vehicle. A person who violates this prohibition is subject to a forfeiture not exceeding \$200.

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

- 3 **SECTION 1.** 100.58 of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 **100.58 Weather radios in motor vehicles. (1)** In this section:
- 5 (a) "Vehicle radio" means a radio designed to be installed or mounted in a motor
- 6 vehicle.

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- (b) "Weather radio system" means a receiver or scanner that is capable of
- 8 receiving weather-related emergency broadcasts and that complies with the

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1 Consumer Electronics Association standard for consumer electronic products 2 designed to receive all hazard alert signals broadcast by the national oceanic and 3 atmospheric administration's weather radio network.

- 4 (2) No person in the business of selling or installing vehicle radios may sell or
 5 install in this state a vehicle radio manufactured after January 1, 2011, unless the
 6 vehicle radio includes a weather radio system.
- 7 (3) This section does not apply to any vehicle radio installed or mounted as
 8 original equipment in a new vehicle.
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