

## State of Misconsin 2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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## 2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 954

February 25, 2016 – Introduced by Representatives C. Taylor, Kessler, Johnson, Zepnick, Pope, Berceau, Subeck and Spreitzer, cosponsored by Senators L. Taylor, Harris Dodd and C. Larson. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety.

- 1 **AN ACT to renumber** 175.47 (1) (a); **to renumber and amend** 175.47 (3) (a); and
- 2 **to create** 175.47 (1) (aL) and 175.47 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes; **relating to:**
- 3 investigations of officer-involved deaths.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires at least two investigators to investigate a death that involves a law enforcement officer. Under current law, neither investigator may be employed by a law enforcement agency that employs an officer involved in the death. This bill modifies that limitation and adds another limitation so that neither investigator may be an individual who was employed or whose immediate family member was employed within the previous ten years by a law enforcement agency that employs an officer involved in the death.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 175.47 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 175.47 (1) (ar).
- **SECTION 2.** 175.47 (1) (aL) of the statutes is created to read:

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officer-involved death.

| 175.47 (1) (aL) "Immediate family member" means a spouse, grandparent                   |
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| parent, sibling, child, stepchild, or grandchild or the spouse of a grandparent, parent |
| sibling, child, stepchild, or grandchild.                                               |
| <b>Section 3.</b> 175.47 (3) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 175.47 (3) (a) (intro.)  |
| and amended to read:                                                                    |
| 175.47 (3) (a) (intro.) Each policy under sub. (2) must require an investigation        |
| conducted by at least two investigators, one of whom is the lead investigator and       |
| neither of whom is employed. Neither investigator required under this paragraph         |
| may be any of the following:                                                            |
| 1. Employed, either currently or within the immediately preceding 10 years              |
| by a law enforcement agency that employs a law enforcement officer involved in the      |
| officer-involved death.                                                                 |
| <b>Section 4.</b> 175.47 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is created to read:                 |
| 175.47 (3) (a) 2. An immediate family member of a person who is currently               |
| employed or was employed within the immediately preceding 10 years by a law             |
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| enforcement agency that employs a law enforcement officer involved in the               |

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