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## 2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 996

March 15, 2016 – Introduced by Representatives Goyke, Barnes, Brostoff, ZAMARRIPA, ZEPNICK, SPREITZER and CONSIDINE. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

1 AN ACT *to amend* 973.15 (2) (a) and 973.15 (3); and *to create* 973.15 (2g) of the

statutes; **relating to:** imposing concurrent sentences.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a person is convicted of multiple crimes, a court may impose as many sentences as there are convictions and may require the person to serve the sentences consecutively or concurrently. This bill allows a court to impose consecutive sentences upon multiple convictions only if the court finds that consecutive sentences are necessary in the interest of justice and places its reasons on the record.

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

SECTION 1. 973.15 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
973.15 (2) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), the court may impose as many
sentences as there are convictions and may, subject to sub. (2g), provide that any such
sentence be concurrent with or consecutive to any other sentence imposed at the
same time or previously.

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1	<b>SECTION 2.</b> 973.15 (2g) of the statutes is created to read:
2	973.15 (2g) A court may provide that a sentence be consecutive to any other
3	sentence imposed at the same time or previously only if the court finds that the
4	imposition of consecutive sentences is necessary in the interest of justice and states
5	its reasons for the finding on the record.
6	<b>SECTION 3.</b> 973.15 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	973.15 (3) Courts may, subject to sub. (2g), impose sentences to be served in
8	whole or in part concurrently with a sentence being served or to be served in a federal
9	institution or an institution of another state.
10	(END)

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