## **2007 BILL**

1 AN ACT *to amend* 118.07 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** requiring public and private schools to conduct tornado or other hazard drills.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill is explained in the Notes provided by the Joint Legislative Council in the bill.

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

Joint Legislative Council's Special Committee on Disaster Preparedness Planning. Under current law, public and private schools are required to conduct a fire drill once each month but are not required to conduct tornado or other hazard drills. In addition, schools are required to maintain a record of each conducted fire drill for at least 7 years. This bill requires public and private schools to conduct a tornado or other hazard drill, without previous warning, at least twice annually, and maintain a record of each conducted tornado or other hazard drill for at least 7 years.

**SECTION 1.** 118.07 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

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118.07 **(2)** Once each month, without previous warning, the person having direct charge of any public or private school shall drill all pupils in the proper method of departure from the building as if in <u>the</u> case of <u>a</u> fire, except when the person

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having direct charge deems that the health of the pupils may be endangered by inclement weather conditions. At least twice annually, without previous warning, the person having direct charge of any public or private school shall drill all pupils in the proper method of evacuation to a safe location as if in the case of a tornado or other hazard. The school board or governing body of the private school shall maintain for at least 7 years a record of each fire drill and tornado or other hazard drill conducted.

8 (END)