

CHAPTER 50

AN ACT to amend 943.02 (2) and 943.04 of the statutes, relating to arson of another's building and arson to defraud insurers.

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

SECTION 1. 943.02 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

943.02 (2) In this section "building of another" means a building in which a person other than the actor has a legal or equitable interest which the actor has no right to defeat or impair, even though the actor may also have a legal or equitable interest in the building. *Proof that the actor recovered or attempted to recover on a policy of insurance by reason of the fire is relevant but not essential to establish his intent to defraud the insurer.*

SECTION 2. 943.04 of the statutes is amended to read:

943.04 Whoever, by means of fire, damages any property (other than a building) with intent to defraud an insurer of that property may be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned not more than 5 years or both. *Proof that the actor recovered or attempted to recover on a policy of insurance by reason of the fire is relevant but not essential to establish his intent to defraud the insurer.*

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