



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 340

April 28, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives BELL, BOYLE, NOTESTEIN and WILDER. Referred to Committee on Elections and Constitutional Law.

1 **AN ACT to create** 11.30 (2) (cm) of the statutes; **relating to:** inclusion of
2 telephone numbers on political communications by candidates and personal
3 campaign or authorized support committees.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, any candidate who or committee acting on behalf of a candidate which makes a communication for political purposes must identify the candidate or committee making or authorizing payment for the communication and the name of the candidate's or committee's treasurer or other agent.

This bill requires, in addition, that a candidate or personal campaign committee or authorized support committee acting on behalf of a candidate include in every communication for political purposes a telephone number where the candidate may be contacted.

Violations are punishable by a forfeiture (civil penalty) of not more than \$500 for each offense. Intentional violations are punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both, for each offense (a misdemeanor).

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 11.30 (2) (cm) of the statutes is created to read:
5 11.30 (2) (cm) In addition to the requirements of pars. (a) to (c), a candidate,
6 personal campaign committee of a candidate, or support committee that is
7 authorized under s. 11.05 (3) (p) to act on behalf of a candidate shall include in every

1 communication which the candidate or committee makes or for which the candidate
2 or committee assumes responsibility a telephone number where the candidate may
3 be contacted.

4 (END)