



2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 920

January 17, 2006 – Introduced by Representative BLACK. Referred to Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 19.48 (8); and *to amend* 19.55 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 identification of individuals who examine statements of economic interest filed
3 with the Ethics Board.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, whenever an individual requests to examine or copy a statement of economic interests that has been filed with the state Ethics Board, or the list of persons who inspect those statements, the individual must provide his or her full name and address and the name of any person the individual represents. The board must then provide the name and address of any individual who inspects or copies a statement, and the name of any person the individual represents, to the person who filed the statement.

This bill deletes these requirements.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 19.48 (8) of the statutes is repealed.
5 **SECTION 2.** 19.55 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
6 19.55 (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), all records in the possession of the
7 board are open to public inspection at all reasonable times. ~~The board shall require~~

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1 ~~an individual wishing to examine a statement of economic interests or the list of~~
2 ~~persons who inspect any statements which are in the board's possession to provide~~
3 ~~his or her full name and address, and if the individual is representing another~~
4 ~~person, the full name and address of the person which he or she represents. Such~~
5 ~~identification may be provided in writing or in person. The board shall record and~~
6 ~~retain for at least 3 years information obtained by it pursuant to this subsection. No~~
7 ~~individual may use a fictitious name or address or fail to identify a principal in~~
8 ~~making any request for inspection.~~

9 (END)