



2009 SENATE BILL 552

February 22, 2010 – Introduced by Senators HANSEN and TAYLOR, cosponsored by Representative BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on Ethics Reform and Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT to create** 945.01 (1) (f) and 945.01 (5) (b) 2. h. of the statutes; **relating**
2 **to:** consideration for the purpose of gambling.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The Wisconsin Constitution and current statutory law prohibit gambling except for the state lottery, charitable bingo, charitable raffles, and pari-mutuel wagering. The statutory prohibition against gambling specifically prohibits an enterprise wherein, for consideration, a participant is given an opportunity to win a prize, the award of which is determined by chance. Consideration means something of value.

This bill specifies that an employee's referral of a potential customer to the employee's employer does not constitute consideration for purposes of the statutory prohibition against gambling.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 945.01 (1) (f) of the statutes is created to read:
4 945.01 (1) (f) An agreement under which an employee is given an opportunity
5 to win a prize, the award of which is determined by chance, in return for the employee
6 making a referral or identification described in s. 945.01 (5) (b) 2. h.

