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## **CHAPTER 168, Laws of 1977**

AN ACT to create 145.135 of the statutes, relating to sanitary permits for installation of private domestic sewage treatment and disposal systems and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. 145.135 of the statutes is created to read:

145.135 Sanitary permits. (1) VALIDITY. In this section, "sanitary permit" means a permit issued by the department or any county, city, village or town for the installation of a private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system. No person

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may install a private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system unless the owner of the property on which the private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system is to be installed holds a valid sanitary permit. A sanitary permit is valid for 2 years from the date of issue and renewable for similar periods thereafter. A county, city, village or town may not charge more than one fee for a sanitary permit or the renewal of a sanitary permit in any 12-month period. A sanitary permit shall remain valid to the end of the established period, notwithstanding any change in the state plumbing code or in any county, city, village or town sanitary ordinance during that period. A sanitary permit may be transferred from the holder to a subsequent owner of the land, except that the subsequent owner must obtain a new copy of the sanitary permit from the issuing agent. The results of any percolation test or other test relating to the disposal of liquid domestic wastes into the soil shall be retained by the county, city, village or town where the property is located. The county, city, village or town shall make the test results available to an applicant for a sanitary permit and shall accept the test results as the basis for a sanitary permit application unless the soil at the test site is altered to the extent that a new soil test is necessary.

- (2) NOTICE. A sanitary permit shall include a notice displayed conspicuously and separately on the permit form, to inform the permit holder that:
- (a) The purpose of the sanitary permit is to allow installation of the private domestic sewage treatment and disposal system described in the permit.
- (b) The approval of the sanitary permit is based on regulations in force on the date of approval.
  - (c) The sanitary permit is valid and may be renewed for a specified period.
  - (d) Changed regulations will not impair the validity of a sanitary permit.
- (e) Renewal of the sanitary permit will be based on regulations in force at the time renewal is sought, and that changed regulations may impede renewal.
  - (f) The sanitary permit is transferable.