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AN ACT to repeal and recreate 165.55 (10) of the statutes, relating to special inspection warrants for arson investigators.

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

SECTION 1. 165.55 (10) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

165.55 (10) The state fire marshal, deputy state fire marshals or chiefs of fire departments shall apply for and obtain special inspection warrants prior to the inspection or investigation of personal or real properties which are not public buildings or for the inspection of portions of public buildings which are not open to the public for the purpose of determining the cause, origin and circumstances of fires either upon showing that consent to entry for inspection purposes has been refused or upon showing that it is impractical to obtain the consent. The warrant may be in the form set forth in s. 66.123. The definition of a public building under s. 101.01 (2) (h) applies to this subsection. No special inspection warrant is required in cases of emergency or in searches of public buildings which are open to the public.