State of Misconsin



2015 Senate Bill 383

Date of enactment: March 1, 2016 Date of publication*: March 2, 2016

2015 WISCONSIN ACT 238

AN ACT *to amend* 968.255 (3); and *to create* 895.535 of the statutes; **relating to:** providing immunity from civil and criminal liability to certain health care providers for performing a body cavity search.

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

SECTION 1. 895.535 of the statutes is created to read: 895.535 Civil and criminal liability exemption; body cavity search. (1) Any physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse licensed to practice in this state conducting a body cavity search pursuant to s. 968.255 is immune from any civil or criminal liability for the act, except for civil liability for negligence in the performance of the act.

(2) Any employer of the person under sub. (1) or any

health care facility where the search is conducted by that person has the same immunity from liability under sub. (1).

SECTION 2. 968.255 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

968.255 (3) No person other than a physician, physician assistant or registered nurse licensed to practice in this state may conduct a body cavity search. <u>A physician, physician assistant, or registered nurse acting under this section, the employer of any such person, and any health care facility where the search is conducted have immunity from civil or criminal liability under s. 895.535.</u>

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."