



**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 306**

September 17, 2003 – Offered by COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 943.24 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** writing bad checks.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law prohibits a person from issuing a check if he or she intends that the check not be paid. In general, if a person violates this prohibition and the check is for \$2,500 or less, the person is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned in the county jail for not more than nine months or both. But, if he or she issues more than one worthless check within a 15-day period and the checks are for more than \$2,500 in the aggregate, the person is guilty of a felony and may be fined not more than \$10,000 or sentenced or to a term of imprisonment (consisting of a term of confinement in state prison followed by a term of extended supervision) of up to three and one-half years or both. This substitute amendment changes the time period during which the face value of bad checks may be aggregated, for the purpose of determining whether the person has committed a felony, from 15 days to 90 days.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** 943.24 (2) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 109,
3 is amended to read:

