

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 101 [2007 Senate Bill 305]

Revisor's Correction Bill

This legislation was prepared by the Revisor of Statutes under s. 13.93 (2) (j), 2005-06 Stats., and introduced by the Joint Legislative Council's Law Revision Committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 2. and 5., 2005-06 Stats.

2007 Wisconsin Act 101 reorganizes the provisions of s. 895.01 (1), Stats., in the same way it had been organized prior to 1999 Wisconsin Act 85 (a revisor's correction bill). In a 2007 case, the Wisconsin Supreme Court concluded that no substantive change was intended in the 1999 reorganization, but found that part of the reorganization rendered a provision ambiguous as to whether a wrongful death claim survives both the death of the wrongdoer and that of the claimant. Consistent with that case and to confirm that no substantive change was intended by the 1999 legislation, the Act reorganizes s. 895.01 (1) to its previous organization.

For additional information, see the analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the notes by the Revisor of Statutes included in the original bill.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: http://www.legis.state.wi.us/.