

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2011 Wisconsin Act 275 [2011 Assembly Bill 149]

False Reporting of an Emergency

2011 Wisconsin Act 275 relates to false reporting of an emergency and providing a penalty.

The Act doubles the minimum and maximum range of the fine that applies to a person who intentionally calls 911 to falsely report an emergency, knowing that the situation does not exist. The Act doubles the range for the fine from between \$50 and \$300 to between \$100 and \$600. The Act does not revise the possible imprisonment term, which remains at not more than 90 days for a first offense.

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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/.