

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2013 Wisconsin Act 150 [2013 Senate Bill 640]

Remedial Legislation – Repair and Construction Contracts

Act 150 is remedial legislation suggested by the Legislative Reference Bureau.

Under **current law**, consumers may cancel certain contracts for repairs to or construction of one- or two-family dwellings if the work is to be paid for under a property insurance policy and the insurer denies the consumer's claim. In order to cancel such a contract, the consumer must provide a cancellation notice to the contractor within a specified amount of time. In general, the contractor must return any payments made by the consumer within 10 days after receiving the notice. However, the statutory form the contractor must provide to a consumer before entering into the contract that informs the consumer of this provision states that any payment must be returned within **10 business days** from the date the cancellation notice is received.

Act 150 amends the statutory form to state that payments must be returned within 10 days from the date the cancellation notice is received.

Effective date: The Act takes effect on March 29, 2014.

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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.wisconsin.gov.