

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

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Under **Senate Bill 239**, for a candidate who is being considered for a position as a "local law enforcement officer" with a local law enforcement agency, in general (with certain exceptions) the candidate's current or former employer must comply with a written request from the local law enforcement agency for employment information regarding the candidate. Senate Bill 239 defines "local law enforcement officer" to mean a person employed by a political subdivision of the state for the purpose of detecting and preventing crime and enforcing laws or ordinances and who is authorized to make arrests for violations of the laws or ordinances that the person is employed to enforce.

Senate Amendment 1 deletes the word "local" from the above-described provisions and defines "law enforcement officer" to include a person employed by either the Department of Justice or a political subdivision of the state for the purpose stated at the end of the previous paragraph.

Legislative History

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Leibham. On March 2, 2006, the Senate adopted Senate Amendment 1 and passed Senate Bill 239 as amended, with both actions taken on voice votes.

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