



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2005 Senate Bill 325**

**Senate Amendment 2**

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*Current law* requires school boards to provide safe and healthful educational facilities. The Department of Commerce (the department) generally administers state law regarding the safety of public buildings and approves the construction or alteration of public buildings where approval is not made by a local government.

*2005 Senate Bill 325* establishes a number of provisions related to indoor environmental quality in schools. These provisions include the establishment of a task force to advise the department and recommend a variety of indoor environmental quality guidelines and rules; an indoor environmental quality management plan for school boards; training requirements and educational materials; notification requirements for students, parents, guardians, teachers, and staff; and design and construction approval requirements for new construction projects and additions. The bill establishes a timeline for the completion of its provisions, including a general effective date of the first day of the second month beginning after publication of the act for many of its provisions.

*Senate Amendment 2* alters the general effective date of the original bill to provide the department with time to establish a management plan. The bill contains several provisions that, due to the general effective date of the first day of the second month following publication, would require certain actions to be done in compliance with the management plan months prior to the department establishing the plan. The amendment corrects this mistake by establishing an effective date of the 12<sup>th</sup> month beginning after the month in which the department establishes the management plan. Thus, an absurd result is averted.

Senate Amendment 2 was introduced and adopted by the Joint Committee on Finance by a vote of Ayes, 15; Noes, 0 on January 25, 2006. 2005 Senate Bill 325 was recommended by the Joint Committee on Finance by a vote of Ayes, 14; Noes, 1 on January 25, 2006.

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