

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

## **2005 Senate Bill 626**

## Senate Amendment 1

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Senate Bill 626 provides that a person who knowingly operates a motor vehicle without a valid license or with an operator's license that has been revoked, suspended, or cancelled, will be guilty of the following offenses:

- 1. A Class A misdemeanor, if the person causes damage to the property of another.
- 2. A Class I felony, if the person causes injury to another person.
- 3. A Class H felony, if the person causes great bodily harm to another person.
- 4. A Class G felony, if the person causes the death of another person.

Senate Amendment 1 reduces the above-stated penalties in the followings ways:

- 1. The person causing damage to the property of another will be required to forfeit \$1,000.
- 2. The person causing injury to another person will be required to forfeit \$5,000.
- 3. The person causing great bodily harm or death to another person will be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

## Legislative History

On May 1, 2006, the Senate Committee on Judiciary, Corrections and Privacy introduced and adopted Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 626 and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 4; Noes, 1.

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