1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 1098

May 1, 1996 - Introduced by Committee on Assembly Organization. Referred to Committee on Rules.

AN ACT **relating to:** the period of time during which a stock corporation or a nonstock, nonprofit corporation may apply for reinstatement after being administratively dissolved.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a corporation that is administratively dissolved may apply to the secretary of state (or, after July 1, 1996, to the department of financial institutions) for reinstatement within 2 years after the effective date of dissolution. The secretary of state has the power to reinstate a corporation only during the 2-year period following dissolution of the corporation. *Avenue*, *Inc.* v. *La Follette*, 183 Wis. 2d 409, 515 N.W. 2d 339 (Ct. App. 1994). Nonstock, nonprofit corporations are subject to a similar limit on the time permitted to apply for reinstatement.

This bill creates a 30-day window immediately following the bill's enactment and publication during which the reinstatement period is lengthened for both stock corporations and nonstock, nonprofit corporations. During this 30-day window, a stock corporation or a nonstock, nonprofit corporation that has been administratively dissolved may apply for reinstatement if the effective date of its dissolution is within 4 years of the date of application.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 Section 1. Nonstatutory provisions.

- (1) Reinstatement amnesty period for stock corporations. Notwithstanding section 180.1422 (1) (intro.) of the statutes, for the period beginning on the effective
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date of this subsection and ending on the 30th day after the effective date of this subsection, a corporation, as defined under section 180.0103 (5) of the statutes, that has been administratively dissolved may apply for reinstatement under section 180.1422 (1) of the statutes within 4 years after the effective date of the administrative dissolution.

(2) Reinstatement amnesty period for nonstock, nonprofit corporations. Notwithstanding section 181.563 (1) (intro.) of the statutes, for the period beginning on the effective date of this subsection and ending on the 30th day after the effective date of this subsection, a corporation, as defined under section 181.02 (4) of the statutes, that has been administratively dissolved may apply for reinstatement under section 181.563 (1) of the statutes within 4 years after the effective date of the administrative dissolution.

13 (END)