## 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 528

August 28, 1995 – Introduced by Representatives Johnsrud, Freese, Kreibich, Grothman, Boyle, Ainsworth and Ott. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

AN ACT *to amend* 26.14 (5) of the statutes; **relating to:** setting fires and providing a penalty.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who is convicted of setting a fire and failing to totally extinguish the fire is subject to a penalty of a fine of not more than \$500 or imprisonment of not more than 30 days or both. This bill changes the penalty to be a forfeiture of not more than \$100.

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

- **Section 1.** 26.14 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 26.14 (5) Any person who sets a fire or assists in the setting of a fire, including
- 5 a back fire, on any lands in this state and fails to totally extinguish such fire before
- 6 leaving it shall be fined forfeit not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than 30
- 7 days or both <u>\$100</u>.

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## SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

- 9 (1) This act first applies to offenses committed on the effective date of this subsection.
- 11 (END)