1995 SENATE BILL 45

January 26, 1995 – Introduced by Senators Huelsman, Petak, Rude, Farrow, Darling, Leean, Buettner, Cowles, Schultz, Panzer and Moore, cosponsored by Representatives Seratti, Johnsrud, Dobyns, Musser, Duff, Grothman, Schneiders, Kaufert, Jensen, Ladwig, Goetsch, Freese, Handrick, Albers, Vrakas, Brandemuehl, Huebsch, Olsen and Klusman. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

- AN ACT to repeal 180.0622 (2) (b); and to renumber and amend 180.0622 (2)
 - (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** liability of shareholders to corporate employes.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law imposes personal liability on each shareholder of a corporation, in an amount up to the value of the shares that the shareholder owns, for any amount owed by the corporation to its employes for up to 6 months of work per employe. This bill eliminates this provision of current law. By cross-reference, the bill also applies to stock insurance corporations.

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

- 3 **SECTION 1.** 180.0622 (2) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 180.0622 (2) and amended to read:
 - 180.0622 (2) Except as provided in par. (b) or unless <u>Unless</u> otherwise provided in the articles of incorporation, a shareholder of a corporation is not personally liable for the acts or debts of the corporation, except that a shareholder may become personally liable by his or her acts or conduct other than as a shareholder.
 - **Section 2.** 180.0622 (2) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

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