



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1467/P2

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DOA:.....Schmidt, BB0306 - Require firearms to be in a locked container if residing with a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

FIREARMS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Storing a firearm in a residence at which a prohibited person resides

This bill requires a person to store any firearm he or she possesses in a securely locked box or container or other secure locked location or with a trigger lock engaged if the person resides with a person who is prohibited from possessing a firearm under state law. A person who violates this requirement is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a Class I felony for a repeat offense. State law currently prohibits the following persons from possessing a firearm: persons who have been convicted of a felony; persons found not guilty of a felony by reason of mental disease or defect; persons who are subject to certain injunctions such as a domestic abuse or child abuse injunction or, in certain cases, a harassment or an individuals-at-risk injunction; and persons who have been involuntarily committed for mental health treatment and ordered not to possess a firearm.

Because this bill creates a new crime or revises a penalty for an existing crime, the Joint Review Committee on Criminal Penalties may be requested to prepare a report.

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

SECTION 1. 941.29 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:

941.29 (3m) (a) A person who resides with a person who is prohibited under sub. (1m) from possessing a firearm shall, when not carrying the firearm, store any firearm he or she possesses in a securely locked box or container or in a locked

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location that a reasonable person would believe to be secure or ensure that a trigger lock is engaged on the firearm.

(b) A person who violates par. (a) is guilty of the following:

1. For a first violation, a Class A misdemeanor.
2. For a 2nd or subsequent violation, a Class I felony.

(END)