



PRELIMINARY DRAFT – NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 166.218 and 895.483 (4) of the statutes; **relating to:** regional
2 structural collapse teams and granting rule-making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a later version.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 166.218 of the statutes is created to read:

4 **166.218 Structural collapse emergency response. (1)** A regional
5 structural collapse team shall assist in the emergency response to a structural
6 collapse incident in a region of this state designated by the division. The division
7 shall contract with local agencies, as defined in s. 166.22 (1) (c), to establish no more
8 than 4 regional structural collapse teams. A member of a regional structural collapse
9 team shall meet the highest standards for a structural collapse team under the
10 National Fire Protection Association standards NFPA 1006 and 1670.

1 **(2)** The division shall reimburse a regional structural collapse team for costs
2 incurred by the team in responding to an emergency involving a structural collapse
3 incident if the team determines that a structural collapse emergency requiring a
4 response existed as provided under the rules promulgated under sub. (5).
5 Reimbursement under this subsection is limited to amounts collected under sub. (3).
6 Reimbursement under this subsection is available only if the regional structural
7 collapse team has done one of the following:

8 (a) Made a good faith effort to identify the person responsible under sub. (3) and
9 that person cannot be identified.

10 (b) Identified the person responsible under sub. (3) and received
11 reimbursement from that person to the extent that the person is financially able.

12 (c) Identified the person responsible under sub. (3) and determined that the
13 person does not have adequate money or other resources to reimburse the regional
14 structural collapse team.

15 **(3)** A person shall reimburse the division for costs incurred by a regional
16 structural collapse team in responding to an emergency if the team determines under
17 the rules promulgated under sub. (5) that an emergency requiring the team's
18 response existed and that one of the following conditions applies:

19 (a) The person possessed or controlled a structure that was involved in the
20 structural collapse.

21 (b) The person caused the structural collapse.

22 **(4)** A member of a regional structural collapse team who is acting under a
23 contract under sub. (1) is considered an employee of the state for purposes of worker's
24 compensation benefits.

