

State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 164

May 31, 2011 – Introduced by Representatives Endsley, Ziegelbauer, Brooks, Kaufert, Kerkman, Spanbauer, Steineke, Zepnick and Lemahieu, cosponsored by Senators Leibham and Wanggaard. Referred to Committee on Criminal Justice and Corrections.

- 1 AN ACT to amend 946.41 (2r) of the statutes; relating to: soft tissue injury to
- a law enforcement officer when resisting or obstructing arrest.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who, while knowingly resisting or obstructing a law enforcement officer, causes substantial bodily harm to a law enforcement officer is guilty of a felony. "Substantial bodily harm" means a bodily injury that causes a laceration that requires stitches, staples, or a tissue adhesive; any fracture of a bone; a broken nose; a burn; a petechia; a temporary loss of consciousness, sight, or hearing; a concussion; or a loss or fracture of a tooth. This bill adds a soft tissue injury to the list of injuries that would result in the commission of a felony.

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

- 3 **Section 1.** 946.41 (2r) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 946.41 (2r) Whoever violates sub. (1) and causes substantial bodily harm or a
- 5 <u>soft tissue injury</u> to an officer is guilty of a Class H felony.

6 (END)