

State of Wisconsin



2015 Senate Bill 466

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2015 WISCONSIN ACT 169

AN ACT *to renumber* 43.30 (1b) (a); and *to create* 43.30 (1b) (ae) and 43.30 (6) of the statutes; **relating to**: authorizing certain libraries to notify collection agencies and law enforcement agencies of delinquent accounts.

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

SECTION 1. 43.30 (1b) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 43.30 (1b) (ag).

SECTION 2. 43.30 (1b) (ae) of the statutes is created to read:

43.30 (1b) (ae) "Collection agency" has the meaning given in s. 218.04 (1) (a).

SECTION 3. 43.30 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

43.30 (6) (a) Subject to par. (b) and notwithstanding sub. (1m), a library that is supported in whole or in part by public funds may report the following information as provided in par. (c):

1. Information about delinquent accounts of any individual who borrows or uses the library's documents or other materials, resources, or services.

2. The number and type of documents or materials that are overdue for each individual about whom information is submitted under subd. 1.

(b) If a public library discloses information as described in par. (a), the information shall be limited to the individual's name, contact information, and the amount owed to the library.

(c) A library may report the information as described in par. (a) to any of the following:

1. A collection agency.

2. A law enforcement agency, but only if the dollar value of the individual's delinquent account is at least \$50.

SECTION 4. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to delinquent amounts that accrue on the effective date of this subsection.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."