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Pepper Spray Bill Signed Into Law

Madison, WI – Assembly Bill 119, authored by Rep. Jeremy Thiesfeldt (R-Fond du Lac), was signed by Governor Walker in a bill signing ceremony this morning. It is now Wisconsin Act 77. Act 77 will allow consumers more options in self-defense as well as remove red-tape for retailers.

“This Act will reduce the regulatory burden on both consumers and businesses. I support Wisconsin’s conceal carry law but there are those who are uncomfortable carrying firearms. This law allows an option for more citizens to defend themselves with a fully effective, non-lethal self-defense tool,” said Rep. Thiesfeldt.

Some restrictions of pepper spray remain in the law. It may only be used defensively and cannot be possessed by felons. It cannot be used against a peace officer and penalties remain if used in the commission of a crime. It may not be sold to minors, although minors under this bill would be able to carry pepper spray with permission of a parent or guardian.

“I am pleased the governor signed this legislation,” concluded Rep. Thiesfeldt.

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