

# SMOKE DETECTORS: A LAW THAT CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE

August 1, 1993, the Minnesota Legislature passed a bill requiring smoke detectors in every dwelling in the state.



Smoke detectors are **life saving devices**, designed to be placed outside the sleeping area of your home.

In addition, **the Winona Fire Department** recommends a smoke detector be placed on **every** level of your home to ensure earliest possible warning in the event of a fire.

In order to be effective, smoke detectors must be installed according to manufacturer's instructions, they must be tested monthly, and batteries changed annually.