



1995 SENATE BILL 158

April 26, 1995 - Introduced by Senators BRESKE, A. LASEE and BURKE, cosponsored by Representatives BOYLE, SERATTI, RYBA, SPRINGER, PLOMBON and LINTON. Referred to Committee on Environment and Energy.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 159.23 (3) (b) and 159.23 (5) (intro.); and **to create** 159.23 (3)
2 (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** solid waste management expenses eligible for
3 financial assistance.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of natural resources (DNR) administers a program that provides financial assistance to certain municipalities and counties for costs related to operating DNR-approved recycling programs and for complying with the prohibition on disposing of yard waste in landfills. The amount of financial assistance under the program is generally the lesser of a percentage of eligible costs or \$8 per capita. However, a county that provides an approved recycling program for at least 75% of its population is eligible for \$100,000 in financial assistance or the amount determined under the usual formula, whichever is greater.

Under this bill, a county that provides an approved recycling program for at least 75% of its population and has less than \$100,000 in eligible costs for its recycling program and for complying with the yard waste disposal ban can use the balance of the \$100,000 for costs of complying with the restrictions on landfill disposal and incineration of major appliances and waste oil.

For further information see the **state and local** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 159.23 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 159.23 (3) (b) Only Except as provided in par. (c), only expenses, including
6 capital expenses, anticipated to be incurred for planning, constructing or operating

1 a recycling program with one or more of the components specified in s. 159.11 (2) (a)
2 to (h) and for complying with the prohibition under s. 159.07 (2) during the year for
3 which an application is submitted under sub. (4) are eligible for assistance under the
4 program.

5 **SECTION 2.** 159.23 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

6 159.23 (3) (c) If a county is the responsible unit for at least 75% of the
7 population of the county and has eligible expenses under par. (b) of less than
8 \$100,000, expenses anticipated to be incurred for complying with the prohibition
9 under s. 159.07 (1m) relating to major appliances and waste oil during the year for
10 which an application is submitted under sub. (4) are eligible for assistance under the
11 program. The maximum amount of assistance for costs of complying with s. 159.07
12 (1m) is \$100,000 less the amount of other eligible expenses under sub. (3) (b).

13 **SECTION 3.** 159.23 (5) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

14 159.23 (5) GRANT AWARD. The department shall award a grant to each eligible
15 responsible unit that submits a complete grant application under sub. (4) for
16 expenses allowable under sub. (3) (b) and (c). Except as provided under sub. (5m) or
17 (5p), the amount of the grant shall be determined as follows:

18 (END)