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2007-08

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(AC-Ho)**

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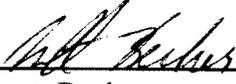
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Present: (0) None.
Absent: (7) Representatives Wieckert, Stone, Townsend,
Honadel, Hebl, Young and A. Williams.

Moved by Representative Hebl, seconded by Representative
Young that **Senate Bill 35** be recommended for concurrence.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Wieckert, Stone, Townsend,
Honadel, Hebl, Young and A. Williams.
Noes: (0) None.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0



Scott Becher
Committee Clerk



Vote Record Committee on Housing

Date: 2/14/08

Moved by: HEBL

Seconded by: YOUNG

AB _____ SB 35 Clearinghouse Rule _____
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Be recommended for:
 Passage Adoption Confirmation Concurrence Indefinite Postponement
 Introduction Rejection Tabling Nonconcurrency

<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
Representative Steve Wieckert, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representative Jeff Stone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representative John Townsend	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representative Mark Honadel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representative Gary Hebl	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representative Leon Young	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Representative Annette Polly Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Motion Carried

Motion Failed





**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
AMENDMENT MEMO**

2007 Senate Bill 35

**Senate
Amendment 2**

Memo published: May 11, 2007

Contact: Scott Grosz, Staff Attorney (266-1307)

Under *current law*, the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) operates a property tax deferral loan program. Under the program, certain homeowners 65 years of age or older may apply to WHEDA for a property tax deferral loan to pay all or a portion of the individual's current property taxes and special assessments and any interest or penalties on delinquent property taxes. The maximum annual loan amount is \$2,500. In order to be eligible, a participant's annual income may not exceed \$20,000.

2007 Senate Bill 35 increases the maximum annual loan amount to \$3,525 and increases the income eligibility limit to \$36,530. The increases first would apply to applications to the program that are pending on the effective date of the bill.

Senate Amendment 2

Senate Amendment 2 to Senate Bill 35 retains the current \$20,000 income eligibility limit of the property tax deferral loan program.

Legislative History

Senate Bill 35 was introduced on February 12, 2007 by Senator Lassa and others, cosponsored by Representative Albers and others, and was referred to the Senate Committee on Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing.

On May 9, 2007, Senators Lassa, Vinehout, Lehman, Kanavas, and Kreitlow offered Senate Amendment 2 to the bill.

The Senate adopted Senate Amendment 2 by a voice vote and passed Senate Bill 35, as amended, by a voice vote on May 9, 2007

SG:ksm





JULIE LASSA

STATE SENATOR

August 21, 2007

Representative Steve Wieckert
Room 16 West
State Capitol
P.O. Box 8953
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Steve,

I am writing to request that Senate Bill 35, relating to increasing maximum annual loan amount under the WHEDA's property tax deferral loan program, receive a public hearing in the Assembly Housing Committee.

This legislation has received bi-partisan support and unanimously passed the Senate Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing Committee. The legislation passed with a voice vote in the Senate.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Julie'.

JULIE LASSA
State Senator
24th Senate District





STEVE WIECKERT

STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 57TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

September 6, 2007

Senator Julie Lassa
Room 323 South; State Capitol
Madison, WI 53707-7882

Dear Julie,

Thank you for your recent letter regarding Senate Bill 35, which would increase the maximum annual loan amount under WHEDA's property tax deferral program.

I have had the chance to review this legislation and would be happy to hold a public hearing on it at the next Assembly Housing Committee Hearing. At this time I have not set a date for the next meeting, but I will certainly keep you informed as soon as the next meeting has been scheduled.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve", written over the word "Sincerely,".

Steve Wieckert
State Representative
57th Assembly District

IDEALS, PRINCIPLES, PATRIOTISM



Becher, Scott

From: Chris Gunst [Chris.Gunst@wheda.com]
Sent: Friday, September 07, 2007 2:21 PM
To: Becher, Scott
Subject: Regarding Senate Bill 35

WHEDA supports Senate Bill 35 as amended by the Senate,

Chris Gunst
Executive Assistant, WHEDA





JULIE LASSA

STATE SENATOR

November 29, 2007

Representative Steve Wieckert
Room 16 West
State Capitol
P.O. Box 8953
Madison, WI 53708

Dear Representative Wieckert,

I am writing to again request that Senate Bill 35, relating to increasing maximum annual loan amount under the WHEDA's property tax deferral loan program, receive a public hearing in the Assembly Housing Committee.

This legislation has received bi-partisan support and unanimously passed the Senate Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing Committee. The legislation passed with a voice vote in the Senate.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Julie' in a cursive script.

JULIE LASSA
State Senator
24th Senate District





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Madison, WI 53703 www.aarp.org/wi

January 24, 2008

To: The Assembly Committee on Housing

From: Gail Sumi, State Issues Advocacy Director – 608-286-6307

Re: Support for SB 35, related to the Property Tax Deferral Loan Program

Thank you for the opportunity to speak in support of Senate Bill 35, which will increase the amount of assistance offered to low-income Wisconsinites who participate in the property tax deferral loan program through WHEDA. I want to thank Representative Albers and Senator Lassa for advancing this proposal.

AARP is a nonpartisan membership organization for people 50+. We have 820,000 members in Wisconsin.

According to 2000 census data, 22% of all households in Wisconsin were headed by the individuals 65 years or older and approximately 64% of older Wisconsinites live in their own home. AARP surveys show that almost 90% of our members prefer to “age in place,” that is continue to live in their own homes and own communities for as long as possible.

But we know that it can be difficult to continue to afford to stay in your own home. The increasing costs of health care, home maintenance and utilities are often a barrier to “aging in place.” That’s why AARP supports property tax deferral programs to allow low- and moderate-income homeowners to voluntarily defer property taxes until the property is transferred or the loan recipient no longer lives in the home. These programs require careful education efforts to reach the people for whom they are best suited, including especially homeowners who might face the loss of their home because of inability to pay escalating costs including the cost of property taxes.

Programs like the property tax deferral loan program, along with Family Care and other supports for older Wisconsinites can make a huge difference in allowing someone to stay in their own home. We urge you to support SB 35 and make this program more meaningful.

Thank you for your consideration.





JULIE LASSA

STATE SENATOR

Testimony on Senate Bill 35
Assembly Committee on Housing
Thursday, January 24, 2008
10:00 AM
300 NE

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony today on Senate Bill 35.

The Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority offers a "reverse mortgage" program called the Property Tax Deferral Loan Program to elderly homeowners who are of moderate income to convert home equity into income to pay property taxes and special assessments.

The Property Tax Deferral Loan Program was created by the legislature in 1985 and was transferred to WHEDA in 1992. However, the dollar amount that qualifying senior citizens can borrow from WHEDA has not been adjusted since 1993. With increases in prices of gas, electricity and prescription medication, the eligible loan amount should be modified to help seniors stay in their homes.

SB 35 is a simple bill as it would increase the amount that a person may borrow from the Property Tax Deferral Loan Program from \$2,500, which was last adjusted in 1993, to \$3,525. This adjustment follows the increase in the Consumer Price Index between 1993 and 2007.

After working with WHEDA on this legislation, it was suggested that we remove the second provision dealing with increasing the annual income eligibility for seniors since the level of income of those applying for the program has remained relatively consistent over the last few years. The current average income of an individual applying for the program is \$12,645 which is well under the \$20,000 current income limit. The amendment to remove Section 1 of the bill was adopted in the Senate.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this issue. I would be happy to answer any questions that you may have.



An Act to amend 234.623 (5) and 234.625 (1) of the statutes; relating to: increasing the income limit and maximum annual loan amount under the property tax deferral loan program of the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority. (FE)

2007

02-12-07. S. Introduced by Senators Lassa, Darling, Roessler, Erpenbach, Sullivan, Wirch and Breske; cosponsored by Representatives Albers, Zepnick, Black, Musser, Staskunas, Berceau, Fields, Petrowski, Van Akkeren, Gunderson, Boyle, Grigsby, Sheridan, Seidel, Ballweg and Molepske.

02-12-07. S. Read first time and referred to committee on Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing. 84

04-18-07. S. Public hearing held.

04-18-07. S. Senate amendment 1 offered by Senator Lassa. 169

04-24-07. S. Executive action taken.

04-25-07. S. Fiscal estimate received.

04-25-07. S. Report adoption of Senate Amendment 1 recommended by committee on Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing, Ayes 7, Noes 0 186

04-25-07. S. Report passage as amended recommended by committee on Economic Development, Job Creation, Family Prosperity and Housing, Ayes 7, Noes 0. 187

04-25-07. S. Available for scheduling.

05-08-07. S. Placed on calendar 5-9-2007 by committee on Senate Organization.

05-09-07. S. Read a second time. 213

05-09-07. S. Senate amendment 1 withdrawn and returned to author. 213

05-09-07. S. Senate amendment 2 offered by Senators Lassa, Vinehout, Lehman, Kanavas and Kreitlow. 213

05-09-07. S. Senate amendment 2 **adopted**. 213

05-09-07. S. Ordered to a third reading. 213

05-09-07. S. Rules suspended. 213

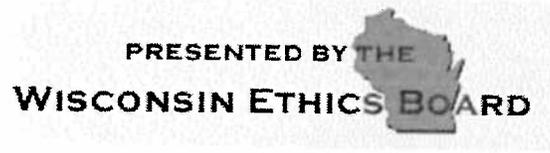
05-09-07. S. Read a third time and **passed**. 213

05-09-07. S. Ordered immediately messaged. 214

05-15-07. A. Received from Senate. 185

05-15-07. A. Read first time and referred to committee on Housing. 185

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as of Monday, December 03, 2007

2007-2008 legislative session

Legislative bills and resolutions

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Senate Bill 35

increasing the income limit and maximum annual loan amount under the property tax deferral loan program of the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority.
(FE)

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●	●	Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups Inc	8/22/2007	↑	
●	●	J P Morgan Chase & Co.	3/6/2007	?	
●	●	Wisconsin Bankers Association	2/20/2007	?	
●	●	Wisconsin Builders Association	11/12/2007	?	
●	●	Wisconsin Realtors Association	2/19/2007	↑	

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