DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

September 29, 2011

ATTN: Sen. Alberta Darling

Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. The following are several issues you may wish to consider in your review of this draft.

1. I am not entirely sure what the reference in s. 66.0602 (3) (k) 1. of the provided language to "otherwise required 2011 village levy" means. In lieu of this language, I have provided language that I believe, albeit also somewhat imprecisely, explains the baseline amount being reduced. The language remains rather vague and can likely be used to support a variety of amounts. Is there a way to provide a more specific baseline? Does the authority granted the Department of Revenue adequately mitigate the potential issues of an imprecise baseline? Please let me know if you would like any changes.

2. I have reworded 66.0602 (3) (k) 2., as created by this draft, fairly significantly to clarify the references. Please review the language to ensure it meets your intent.

3. It is not clear whether under s. 66.0602 (3) (k) 2., as created by this draft, the Department of Revenue has the authority to specify the actual amounts for each of 2012 and 2013 or if its authority extends only to determining the total amount. Do you wish to clarify this provision?

Please let me know if you would like any changes made to the attached draft or if you have any questions. If the attached draft meets with your approval, let me know and I will convert it to an introducible "/1" draft.

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