

# WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

## 2015 Assembly Bill 372

# Assembly Amendment 1

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Public inland lake protection and rehabilitation districts (lake districts) are governed by a board of commissioners consisting of five members. Prior to the passage of 2015 Act 25, one of the members of each lake district board was appointed by the city, village, or town within which the largest portion of the district lies, as measured by property tax valuation, and was required to be a member of the governing body of that city, village, or town. Under current law, as affected by Act 25, that governing body is required to appoint a *resident* of the lake district to the board, instead of a member of the governing body.

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This bill allows the governing body making this appointment to a lake district board to either appoint one of its members to serve on the board *or* another person who resides in the lake district.

#### ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 allows the governing body described above to decline to appoint a board member to the lake district board if the lake district includes a water body controlled by a dam and the dam does not lie within the city, village, or town under the control of that governing body. If the governing body chooses to do so, then the governing body of the city, village, or town in which the dam is located may appoint one of its members to serve on the board *or* another person who resides in the lake district.

### **BILL HISTORY**

Representative Ballweg introduced Assembly Amendment 1 on October 26, 2015. On October 28, 2015, the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources and Sporting Heritage voted to recommend adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 15; Noes, 0.

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