



2009 SENATE BILL 335

October 8, 2009 - Introduced by Senators OLSEN, TAYLOR, DARLING, MILLER and SCHULTZ, cosponsored by Representatives CLARK, BALLWEG, GRIGSBY, GUNDERSON, MOLEPSKE JR., M. WILLIAMS, A. OTT and SPANBAUER. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Corrections, Insurance, Campaign Finance Reform, and Housing.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 302.46 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** using county jail funds
2 for costs related to providing educational and medical services to county jail
3 inmates.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a person is required to pay a fine or a forfeiture for a violation of state law or for a violation of a municipal or county ordinance, with certain exceptions, the person also pays a jail surcharge in the amount of 1 percent of the fine or forfeiture imposed or \$10, whichever is greater. If multiple offenses are involved, the person pays the jail surcharge on the basis of each fine or forfeiture, and if a fine or forfeiture is suspended in whole or in part, the person pays a reduced jail surcharge in proportion to the suspension.

The monies collected from jail surcharges are placed in a county jail fund. Under current law, counties may make payments for construction, remodeling, repair, or improvement of county jails from county jail funds.

Under this bill, counties may use county jail funds, in addition to the uses allowed under current law, to make payments for costs related to providing educational and medical services to inmates.

For further information see the *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:

