2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 788

March 2, 2010 – Introduced by Representatives HINTZ, SHILLING, BERCEAU, TURNER, ZIGMUNT and ZIEGELBAUER, cosponsored by Senator MILLER. Referred to Committee on Urban and Local Affairs.

1 AN ACT *to create* 59.605 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** creating a sunset

2 provision for the county tax levy rate limit.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law and subject to a number of exceptions, no county may impose an operating levy at an operating levy rate that exceeds 0.001 or the operating levy rate in 1992, whichever is greater. "Operating levy" is defined as the county purpose levy, less the debt levy, and "operating levy rate" is defined as the total levy rate minus the debt levy rate.

A county may exceed the limit under current law if its board adopts a resolution stating its wish to exceed the operating levy rate limit that is otherwise applicable and if that resolution is approved by the electors of the county in a referendum. The limit may also be exceeded if a county increases the services that it provides by adding responsibility for providing a service transferred to the county by another governmental unit.

Under this bill, the operating levy rate limit does not apply to any county levy that is imposed after December 2009.

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:

1   **SECTION 1.** 59.605 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

2   59.605 **(6)** SUNSET. This section does not apply to any operating levy that is

3   imposed by a county after December 2009.

4   **(END)**