



## 2019 SENATE BILL 641

January 8, 2020 - Introduced by Senators BERNIER, STROEBEL, NASS and JACQUE, cosponsored by Representatives PLUMER, NOVAK, FELZKOWSKI, QUINN, STEFFEN, WICHGERS, KULP, MAGNAFICI, TUSLER, EDMING, SPIROS and SCHRAA. Referred to Committee on Government Operations, Technology and Consumer Protection.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 59.02 (2); and *to create* 59.02 (4) of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             requiring a supermajority county board vote to enact ordinances that affect  
3             only towns.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Generally under current law, ordinances enacted by a county board require a majority vote of a quorum. Under this bill, ordinances enacted by a county board that affect only towns must be enacted by a three-fourths vote of the members-elect. Members-elect is defined as those members of the county board who have been elected or appointed for a current term and whose service has not terminated.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

4             **SECTION 1.** 59.02 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5             59.02 (2) Ordinances may be enacted and resolutions may be adopted by a  
6             majority vote of a quorum or by such larger vote as may be required by law and as  
7             provided in sub. (4). Ordinances shall commence as follows: "The county board of  
8             supervisors of the county of .... does ordain as follows".

