AN ACT to amend 59.99 (1), 60.75 (1) and 62.23 (7) (e) 1 of the statutes, relating to
the power of counties, towns and municipalities to prescribe procedures for
granting of special exceptions to zoning ordinances.

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

SECTION 1. 59.99 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

59.99 (1) APPOINTMENT, POWER. The county board may provide for the
appointment of a board of adjustment, and in the regulations and restrictions adopted
pursuant to the authority of section s. 59.97 may provide that the said such board of
adjustment may, in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and
safeguards, make special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance in harmony with its
general purpose and intent and in accordance with general or specific rules therein
contained. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude the granting of special exceptions
by the county zoning agency designated under s. 59.97 (2) (a) or the county board in
accordance with regulations and restrictions adopted pursuant to s. 59.97 which were
in effect on the effective date of this act (1973) or adopted after that date.

SECTION 2. 60.75 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

60.75 (1) The town board may provide for the appointment of a board of
adjustment, and in the regulations and restrictions adopted pursuant to the authority of
section s. 60.74 may provide that such board of adjustment may, in appropriate cases
and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, make special exceptions to the
terms of the ordinance in harmony with its general purpose and intent and in
accordance with general or specific rules therein contained. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude the granting of special exceptions by the town zoning agency designated under s. 60.74 (2) or the town board in accordance with regulations and restrictions adopted pursuant to s. 60.74 which were in effect on the effective date of this act (1973) or adopted after that date.

SECTION 3. 62.23 (7) (e) 1 of the statutes is amended to read:

62.23 (7) (e) 1. The council which enacts zoning regulations pursuant to this section shall by ordinance provide for the appointment of a board of appeals, and shall provide in such regulations that said board of appeals may, in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, make special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance in harmony with its general purpose and intent and in accordance with general or specific rules therein contained. Nothing in this subdivision shall preclude the granting of special exceptions by the city plan commission or the common council in accordance with the zoning regulations adopted pursuant to this section which were in effect on the effective date of this act (1973) or adopted after that date.