



## 1995 SENATE BILL 542

February 14, 1996 - Introduced by JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Agriculture and Local Affairs.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 86.31 (2) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** county bidding for  
2     highway improvement projects under the local roads improvement program.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill is explained in the NOTES provided by the joint legislative council in the bill.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

PREFATORY NOTE: This bill was prepared for the joint legislative council's special committee on shared governmental services. Under current law, the state administers a local roads improvement program to accelerate the improvement of seriously deteriorating local roads by reimbursing counties, cities, villages and towns for the cost of improving the roads. Generally, projects funded under the program on city, village and town highways must be performed under contracts awarded on the basis of competitive bids. However, if a city, village or town does not receive a responsible bid, it may contract with a county for the improvement. This bill explicitly provides that counties may also submit bids to perform improvements on city, village or town highways funded under the local roads improvement program.

3     **SECTION 1.** 86.31 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4     86.31 (2) (b) Except as provided in par. (d), improvements for highway  
5     construction projects funded under the program shall be under contracts. Such  
6     contracts shall be awarded on the basis of competitive bids and shall be awarded to

1 the lowest responsible bidder. Counties may bid on improvements under this section.

2 If a city, village or town does not receive a responsible bid for an improvement, the

3 city, village or town may contract with a county for the improvement.

4 (END)