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# ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT,

### **TO 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 395**

	1 114 1 1C1 to create 39.094 (7111) and 02.23 (7) (61) of the statutes, relating to: changing
2	the standards under which certain zoning variances may be granted by a local board
3	of adjustment or appeals.
	The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:
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5	59.694 (7m) AREA VARIANCES. (a) In this subsection, "area provisions of a zoning
6	ordinance" means those provisions governing area, setbacks, frontage, height, bulk, or
7	density.
8	(b) Notwithstanding sub. (7) (c), the board of adjustment may authorize upon appeal
9	in specific cases variances from the area provisions of a zoning ordinance if all of the following
0	apply:
11	1. Due to special conditions, strict compliance with the area provisions would render
12	conformity with the zoning ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.
13	2. The variance will not have a detrimental impact on the character of the neighborhood.
14	3. The variance is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the public
15	interest.
16	4. The variance complies with any regulations governing the granting of variances set
17	forth in the zoning ordinance.

1	(c) In order to obtain a variance under this subsection, a property owner is not required
2	to show that without the variance there is no reasonable use of the property.
3	(d) This subsection does not apply to a variance in territory covered by an ordinance
4	adopted under s. 59.692, 61.351, 62.231 or 87.30 that relates to zoning in wetlands,
5	shorelands, or floodplains.
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9	density.
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12	apply:
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15	b. The variance will not have a substantial impact on the character of the neighborhood.
16	c. The variance is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the public
17	interest.
18	d. The variance complies with any regulations governing the granting of variances set
19	forth in the zoning ordinance.
20	3. In order to obtain a variance under this paragraph, a property owner is not required
21	to show that without the variance there is no reasonable use of the property.

4. This paragraph does not apply to a variance in territory covered by an ordinance adopted under s. 59.692, 61.351, 62.231 or 87.30 that relates to zoning in wetlands, shorelands, or floodplains.

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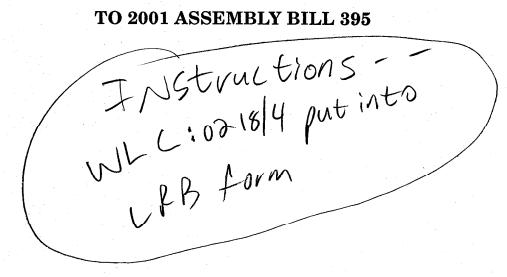
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#### ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT,

### TO 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 395



AN ACT to create 59.694 (7m) and 62.23 (7) (ef) of the statutes; relating to: 1 2 changing the standards under which certain zoning variances may be granted 3 by a local board of adjustment or appeals.

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

SECTION 1. 59.694 (7m) of the statutes is created to read:

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(b) Notwithstanding sub. (7) (c), the board of adjustment may authorize upon appeal in specific cases variances from the area provisions of a zoning ordinance if all of the following apply:

1		1. Due to special conditions, strict compliance with the area provisions would
2		render conformity with the zoning ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.
3		2. The variance will not have a detrimental impact on the character of the
4		neighborhood.
5		3. The variance is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the
6		public interest.
7		4. The variance complies with any regulations governing the granting of
8		variances set forth in the zoning ordinance.
9		(c) In order to obtain a variance under this subsection, a property owner is not
10		required to show that without the variance there is no reasonable use of the property.
11		(d) This subsection does not apply to a variance in territory covered by an
12	)	ordinance adopted under s. 59.692, 61.351, 62.231 or 87.30 that relates to zoning in
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20		following apply:
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22		render conformity with the zoning ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.
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- (b) Notwithstanding sub. (7) (c) and except as provided in par. (d), the board of adjustment may authorize upon appeal in specific cases variances from area provisions if all of the following apply:
- 1. Due to special conditions, strict compliance with the area provisions would render conformity with the zoning ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.

1	2. The variance will not have a detrimental impact on the character of the
2	neighborhood.
3	3. The variance is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the
4	public interest.
5	(c) To obtain a variance under this subsection, a property owner is not required
6	to show that without the variance there is no reasonable use of the property.
7	(d) The board of adjustment may not authorize a variance under this subsection
8	if the variance would apply to territory to which an ordinance, that relates to zoning
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13	those provisions of a zoning ordinance which govern area, setbacks, frontage, height,
14	bulk, or density.
15	2. Notwithstanding par. (e) 7. and except as provided in subd. 4., the board of
(16)	appeals may authorize upon appeal in specific cases variances from
17	provisions if all of the following apply:
18	a. Due to special conditions, strict compliance with the area provisions would
19	render conformity with the zoning ordinance unnecessarily burdensome.
20	b. The variance will not have a substantial impact on the character of the
21	neighborhood.
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23	public interest.
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25	variances set forth in the zoning ordinance.

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- 3. And to obtain a variance under this paragraph, a property owner is not required to show that without the variance there is no reasonable use of the property.
- 4. The board of appeals may not authorize a variance under this paragraph if the variance would apply to territory to which an ordinance, that relates to zoning in wetlands, shorelands, or floodplains and which is enacted or adopted under s. 59.692, 61.351, 62.231, or 87.30, applies.

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Representative Staskunas:

Please review the changes I've made in ss. 59.694 (7m) (d) and 62.23 (7) (ef) 4., and the minor changes I've made in ss. 59.694 (7m) (a) and (b) (intro.) and 62.23 (7) (ef) 1. and 2. (intro.).

In addition, I deleted ss. 59.694 (7m) (b) 4. and 62.23 (7) (ef) 2. d. because they are unnecessary. If a zoning ordinance contains regulations that govern the granting of variances, there is no reason for the statutes to require that a variance authorized under s. 59.694 (7m) (10) or 62.23 (7) (ef) (ef) complies with such regulations; a variance that does not comply with the ordinance would not be validly authorized.

Conversely, if the substitute amendment retains ss. 59.694 (7m) (b) 4. and 62.23 (7) (ef) 2. d., there is nothing to stop a county or municipality from amending its zoning ordinance or regulations so that it may authorize a variance that would otherwise not "comply" with its (unamended) ordinance or regulations.

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December 17, 2001

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# ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT,

#### TO 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 395



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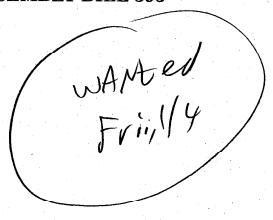


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