2003 SENATE BILL 41

February 20, 2003 – Introduced by Senators Welch, S. Fitzgerald, Zien, A. Lasee, Lazich, Panzer, Roessler, Kanavas, Brown, Stepp, Ellis, Leibham, Reynolds, Kedzie, Harsdorf, Darling, Cowles and Schultz, cosponsored by Representatives J. Fitzgerald, Gundrum, Suder, Powers, Owens, Petrowski, Hundertmark, Grothman, Vrakas, Freese, Friske, Van Roy, McCormick, Kestell, Krawczyk, Gunderson, Olsen, J. Wood, Nass, Underheim, Towns, Johnsrud, Seratti, Gielow, Ott, F. Lasee, Jensen, Gottlieb, LeMahieu, Lothian, Kerkman, Hines, Jeskewitz, Ladwig, Montgomery, M. Williams, Nischke, Townsend, Hahn, Vukmir, Bies, Loeffelholz and Pettis. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

- 1 AN ACT to renumber and amend 14.035; and to create 14.035 (2) of the
- 2 statutes; **relating to:** legislative approval of Indian gaming compacts.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current state law, the governor, on behalf of the state, is authorized to negotiate and enter into Indian gaming compacts to regulate the operation of Indian gaming facilities. These compacts are regulated by the federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

This bill provides that, before the governor may enter into, amend, extend, or renew any Indian gaming compact that has been negotiated, the governor must submit the proposed compact to the legislature for approval. The governor may not enter into, amend, extend, or renew any compact until the legislature approves the proposed compact by joint resolution. If the legislature does not approve the compact, the compact must be returned to the governor for renegotiation.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 14.035 of the statutes is renumbered 14.035 (1) and amended to
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14.035 (1) The Subject to sub. (2), the governor may, on behalf of this state
enter into, amend, extend, or renew any compact that has been negotiated under 25
USC 2710 (d).

SECTION 2. 14.035 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

14.035 **(2)** Before entering into, amending, extending, or renewing any compact negotiated under sub. (1), the governor shall submit the proposed compact to the legislature for approval. The governor may not enter into, amend, extend, or renew any compact until the legislature approves the proposed compact by joint resolution. If the legislature does not approve without change the proposed compact, the compact shall be returned to the governor for renegotiation.

SECTION 3. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to Indian gaming compacts negotiated by the governor, but not yet entered into, amended, extended, or renewed by the governor, beginning on the effective date of this subsection.

15 (END)