



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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<b>Description</b> Exempting certain cities and villages from the comprehensive planning statute known as Smart Growth					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

If enacted this bill would exempt any city or village from the Comprehensive Planning Requirement that does not share a border with a town. Currently this would apply to an estimated 32 cities and villages.

State: There is no state impact.

Local: There is an indeterminate local fiscal estimate.

It is not possible to estimate the fiscal effect of this legislation because of the uncertainty of knowing how many and which communities will ultimately elect to not complete a comprehensive plan before 2010.

Based on an initial analysis, it appears that only 32 cities and villages do not share a border with a town in Wisconsin and would therefore be covered by the provisions of this proposal. Of those 32 cities and villages, 7 have already completed their local comprehensive plan while an additional 3 cities and villages have received grants and are currently developing comprehensive plans. Several of the remaining communities are seeking grant funds currently to develop their local comprehensive plan.

One objective for many local governments as they develop their comprehensive plan is to help to reduce inefficient spending on issues such as utilities, community facilities, transportation infrastructure, and government services. Comprehensive planning helps promote intergovernmental cooperation which may also lower municipal costs. Communities who choose not to develop a plan may not realize these fiscal benefits often associated with planning.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown