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To create section 11 of article VIII of the constitution; relating to: creating a 1 2 revenue limit for the state and local governmental units, depositing excess revenue into an emergency reserve fund, returning excess revenue to 3 taxpayers, elector approval for exceeding the revenue limit, state and local governmental approval for reducing the revenue limit, requiring the state to 5 reduce its revenue limit in conjunction with reduction in state aid, prohibiting 6 the state from using bonds to pay for operating costs, reimbursing the reasonable costs of imposing state mandates, standing to bring a suit to enforce anal:libe -> the revenue limits, and requiring the approval of only one legislature to amend the revenue limit provisions (first consideration). 10 11 Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That: 12 SECTION 1. Section 11 of article VIII of the constitution is created to read: 13 [Article VIII] Section 11 (1) In this section:

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- (a) "Income factor" means the percentage that is the average of the annual percentage increases, if any, in state personal income growth for each of the 3 most recent years available.
 - (b) "Inflation factor" means the percentage that is the average of the annual percentage increases, if any, in the consumer price index for Milwaukee–Racine, or its successor index, for each of the 3 most recent years available.
 - (c) "Local governmental unit" means a county, municipality, special purpose district, school district, or technical college district.
 - (d) "Municipality" means a city, village, or town, not including a town whose budgeted revenue is less than \$1,000,000 in 2010 or, in subsequent years, less than \$1,000,000 increased annually by the inflation factor. A district, utility, or other entity, not including a lake or sanitary district, that receives moneys from taxes or fees, and that is created by a city, village, or town, is included as part of the city, village, or town that created it for purposes of determining the limits under this section.
 - (e) "Population" means annual population estimates adjusted by the most recent federal decennial census, as determined by the state.
 - (f) "Revenue" means all revenue, except taxes levied by a county for the purposes of a children with disabilities education board, if the board existed prior to January 1, 2005, moneys used to pay the debt service on economic development bonds as defined by law, one-time grants, interfund transfers, moneys received by a local governmental unit under sub. (3), moneys deposited into a fund under sub. (3), moneys received from the issuance of bonds or from short-term cash borrowing, moneys used to pay a settlement or damage award, moneys used for expenses arising from a natural disaster or terrorist attack, or moneys received from the federal

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(g) "Special purpose district" means any entity that is authorized to collect taxes or fees, other than the state, a school district, a technical college district, a sanitary or sewage district, a county, a municipality, or a town.

(2) (a) Subject to subs. (3) to (2) (10) and (11), the state of a local governmental unit, not including a school district, may not collect more in revenue, in 2010, than the amount it collected in 2009, or, in any subsequent year, than the maximum amount it was permitted to collect in the previous year under this section, both as increased by the lesser of the inflation factor or the income factor, plus:

- 1. For the state, a special purpose district, or a technical college district, the annual percentage increase, if any, in the population.
- 2. For a municipality or county, 67 percent of the annual percentage increase, if any, in taxable property values attributable to new construction, less the taxable value of any property removed or demolished.
- (b) Subject to subs. (5) and (6), each school district may collect in revenue the amount allocated to it by the legislature by law. The sum of all amounts allocated under this paragraph shall not exceed, for 2010, the revenue collected by all school districts in 2009, and, in each subsequent year, the maximum amount of revenue that all school districts taken together were permitted to collect in the previous year under this section, both as increased by the lessor of the inflation factor or the income factor, and the annual percentage changes, if any, in the enrollment of all school districts taken together for each of the 3 most recent years available.
- (6) If a town or village that is not subject to the revenue limit under this section for 2010 becomes subject to the limit after that year, the town's or village's base year revenue amount for computing the revenue limit for the current year equals \$1,000,000 increased annually by the inflation factor through the previous year.
- (3) (a) If the revenue received by the state in any year exceeds its limit under this section, the state shall deposit into an emergency reserve fund all of the excess revenue, except that the fund's total may not exceed 8 percent of the state's revenue in the previous year.
- (b) The state shall return to the taxpayers any excess revenue that is not deposited into the emergency reserve fund. A refund made under this paragraph shall be made in the year immediately following the year in which the state has excess revenue.

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1	(c) Expenditures may be made from the emergency reserve fund only for relief
2	from taxes imposed by the state, for expenses arising from a natural disaster or
3	terrorist attack, or in a year in which the state's limit under this section is greater
4	than the state's revenue.
5	A local governmental unit shall return to the taxpayers any excess revenue.
6	A refund made under this paragraph shall be made in the year immediately following
7	the year in which the local governmental unit has excess revenue.
8	(4) The state may not deposit more revenue into a segregated fund, in 2010,
9	than the amount it deposited into that fund in 2009, or, in any subsequent year, than
10	the maximum amount it was permitted to deposit into that fund in the previous year
11	under this subsection, both as increased by the lessor of the inflation factor or the
12	income factor, plus the percentage increase from the previous year in the population
13	of the state. No revenue designated, on or after January 1, 2006, for use through a
14	segregated fund may be used for any other purpose.
15	(5) The state, by law, or a local governmental unit, by majority vote of the
16	governing body, may reduce its revenue limit. The state or a local governmental unit
17	may exceed its revenue limit only with the approval of the electors of the state or local
18	governmental unit, respectively, at a referendum. The referendum shall specify
19	whether the increase in the revenue limit is on a recurring or nonrecurring basis.

(6) The legislature may, by law, adjust any limit imposed under this section:

(a) To accommodate the transfer of services from any entity subject to a limit under this section to any other such entity, including the transfer of services that results from annexation. Any increase to a entity's limit under this paragraph shall be offset with a corresponding decrease to the limit of other entities affected by the transfer of services.

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- (b) To reflect the elimination or reduction of a state-mandated service.
- (c) To allocate the amount of the final year's increment of a tax incremental district to local governmental units in proportion to their levy rate's contribution to the increment.
- (7) The state revenue limit under this section for any year shall be reduced by the amount of any reduction in that year in the aggregate amount of state aid to any of the categories of county, city, village, town, special purpose district, school district, or technical college district, as compared to the previous year.
- A state law or administrative rule that increases a local governmental unit's expenditures may not be enacted or adopted on or after the ratification of this subsection unless the state pays the reasonable costs incurred by the entity to comply with the law or rule. This subsection does not apply to any law or rule that is enacted or adopted in order to comply with a requirement of federal law, including a requirement related to receiving federal aid.
- (9) No local governmental unit may be required under state law to increase its annual compensation for any employee or group of employees by a percentage that exceeds the allowable percentage increase in the revenue limit for that local governmental unit under this section.
- (10) The legislature by law may exempt a village from the limits imposed under this section if the village's budgeted revenue is less than \$1,000,000 in 2010 or, in subsequent years, less than \$1,000,000 increased annually by the inflation factor and if the village's budget or tax levy is approved by the electors of the village at an annual meeting.

A special purpose district may use revenue collected in excess of the limit imposed under this section to retire or defease debt that was incurred prior to January 1, 2006.

(12) All moneys received by the state, or by another person on behalf of the state, from any type of borrowing may only be used for a purpose specified in section 7 (2) (a) of article VIII, except that the state may borrow moneys for cash flow purposes if the moneys are fully repaid in the same fiscal year in which they are borrowed. The state may not refund any type of borrowing if that refunding would increase the state's debt service obligation in any fiscal year. The state may not enter into an agreement or arrangement relating to any type of borrowing unless the financial benefits from that agreement or arrangement accrue proportionately over the life of the agreement or arrangement.

Any individual or class of individuals residing in this state has standing to bring a suit to enforce this section as it relates to the state or to the local governmental unit in which the individual or class of individuals resides or pays property taxes.

(14) Section 1 of article XII applies to any proposed amendments to this section that are directly related to the revenue limits under this section, except that, notwithstanding section 1 of article XII, if a proposed amendment to this section is ratified by a majority of the members of each house of the legislature, it shall be submitted to the people for approval and ratification without being referred to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election.

SECTION 2. Numbering of new provision. The new section 11 of article VIII of the constitution created in this joint resolution shall be designated by the next higher open whole section number in that article if, before the ratification by the

people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, any other ratified
amendment has created a section 11 of article VIII of the constitution of this state.
If one or more joint resolutions create a section 11 of article VIII simultaneously with
the ratification by the people of the amendment proposed in this joint resolution, the
sections created shall be numbered and placed in a sequence so that the sections
created by the joint resolution having the lowest enrolled joint resolution number
have the numbers designated in that joint resolution and the sections created by the
other joint resolutions have numbers that are in the same ascending order as are the
numbers of the enrolled joint resolutions creating the sections.

Be it further resolved, That this proposed amendment be referred to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election and that it be published for 3 months previous to the time of holding such election.

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AN ACT to create 65.95 of the statutes; relating to: creating a revenue limit for local governmental units, prohibiting the legislature from passing any bill that would exceed a revenue limit, returning excess revenue to taxpayers, elector approval for exceeding the revenue limit, reimbursing the reasonable costs of imposing state mandates, and standing to bring a suit to enforce the revenue limits.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This is a preliminary draft. An analysis will be provided in a later version.

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

7 SECTION 1. 65,95 of the statutes is created to read:

(65.95) Revenue limits. (1) (a) "Income factor" means the percentage that is the average of the annual percentage increases, if any, in state personal income growth for each of the 3 most recent years available.

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water utility, or moneys received for medical care provided by a facility that is operated by any entity that is subject to the limits imposed under this section, from unemployment insurance taxes, from insurance premiums, from public employee or retiree payments for fringe benefits, from governmental property insurance, from investment trusts, from private purpose trusts, from college savings programs, from fees imposed for airport or mass transportation systems, or from tuition or fees imposed for university or technical college functions. "Revenue" includes moneys retained by a trustee for the purpose of issuing, or paying debt service on, revenue bonds. The legislature, by law, may exclude from "revenue" moneys generated by a local governmental unit from amounts paid voluntarily into an enterprise fund or from licenses or fees, if the money does not exceed the cost of issuing the license or providing the service associated with the license or fee.

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(2) (a) Subject to subs. (3) to (5), a local governmental unit may not collect more in revenue, in 2010, than the amount it collected in 2009, or, in any subsequent year, than the maximum amount it was permitted to collect in the previous year under this section, both as increased by the lesser of the inflation factor or the income factor, plus:

1. For the state a special purpose district, or a technical college district, the annual percentage increase, if any, in the population.

2. For a municipality or county, 67 percent of the annual percentage increase, if any, in taxable property values attributable to new construction, less the taxable value of any property removed or demolished.

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- (5) A special purpose district may use revenue collected in excess of the limit imposed under this section to retire or defease debt that was incurred prior to January 1, 2006.
- (6) Any individual or class of individuals residing in this state has standing to bring a suit to enforce this section as it relates to the local governmental unit in which the individual or class of individuals resides or pays property taxes.

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20.0035 Revenue limits. (1) In this section:

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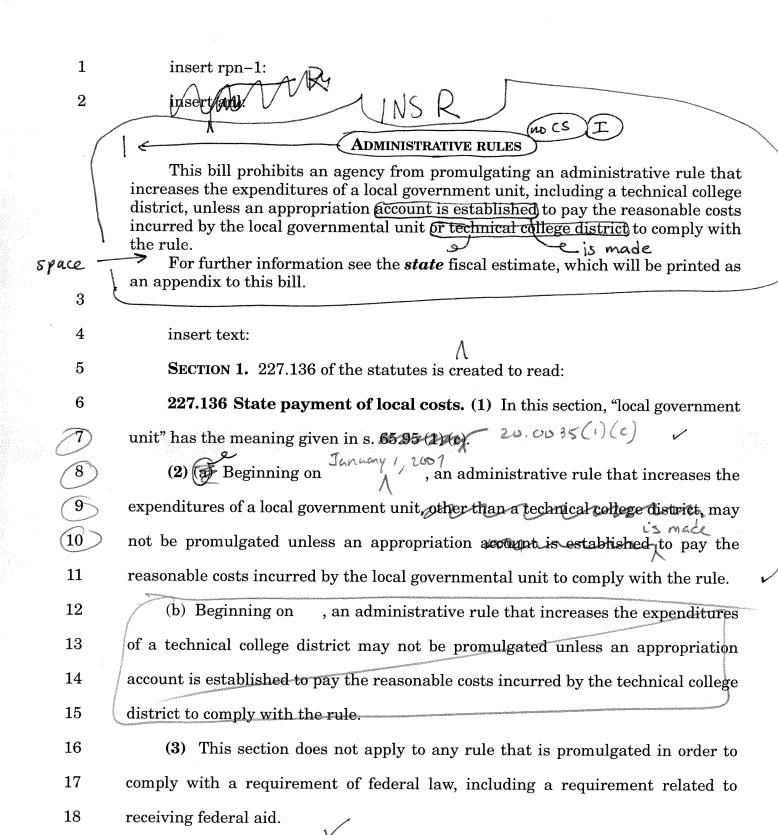
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