

DRAFTER'S NOTE
FROM THE
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Representative Stone:

I have made most of the changes you requested, except I did not add the suggested language in s. 59.85 (2) because it doesn't seem to have any legal effect. If no appropriation bonds are issued, Milwaukee County would incur no obligations under the bill. If the county does issue the bonds at some point in the future, the provisions of the statutes would apply, and the terms of the bonds would apply. Therefore, I believe that Milwaukee County's intent is met by the bill as drafted and their suggested phrase is not necessary.

I added the term "pension-related bonds" to the definition of "refunding bond," but I'm not sure what is intended. Is the intent to expand the purpose of refunding bonds, or to use appropriation bonds to pay off other debt? Depending on what is intended, you may need to change the purpose language in s. 59.85 (2). You may wish to discuss this change with bond counsel.

I created a new section, s. 59.85 (2) (d) 2. f., and changed the cross-reference from subd. 2. e. to subd. 2. f. in s. 59.85 (2m). I believe that these changes reflect your intent.

I added the phrase "or to pay annual pension costs other than normal costs" in s. 59.87 (3) (b), but I'm not sure what your intent is. These costs are broader than principal and interest costs, so I'm not sure why these cost would be paid out of the stabilization fund. You may wish to discuss this change with bond counsel.

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