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Attached is are statutory revisions, drafted by Milwaukee County bond counsel concerning changes needed to implement a plan to fund the county's pension obligation.

Also attached is a partial summary of recommendations from the Governor's Milwaukee County Task Force. The starred recommendations should be included as part of the overall Pension Obligation Bond statutory language. One of these recommendations deals with the Pension Study Commission member financial qualifications. Since three of the members are county board supervisors, the qualifications should apply to the two citizen members who are residents, and should mirror SWIB qualifications i.e. "at least 10 years experience in making investments."

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks, Jane

Proposed Legislation Regarding Milwaukee County Unfunded Pension Liability Financing

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General (?)
for P-note:
Is this debt
subject to state &
const debt limits

ISSUE #1
CONFIRMATION OF APPLICABILITY OF
EXCEPTION TO PROHIBITION ON COUNTY
BORROWING TO FUND OPERATING EXPENSES
[REVISION TO § 67.04(5)(b)4.]

4. To pay unfunded prior service liability contributions under the Wisconsin retirement system, or to pay unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability with respect to an employee retirement system established under county ordinances, if all the proceeds of the note will be used to pay for such contributions.

P-NOTE

chapter 201, laws
of 1937

ISSUE #2
ALLOW 20-YEAR
GENERAL OBLIGATION NOTES
[REVISION TO § 67.12(12)(a)]

(12) **BORROWING ON PROMISSORY NOTES.** (a) Any municipality may issue promissory notes as evidence of indebtedness for any public purpose, as defined in s. 67.04(1)(b), including but not limited to paying any general and current municipal expense, and refunding any municipal obligations, including interest on them. Each note, plus interest if any, shall be repaid within 10 years after the original date of the note, except that notes issued under this section for purposes of ss. 119.498, 145.245(12m), 281.58, 281.59, 281.60 and 281.61, or issued to raise funds to pay a portion of the capital costs of a metropolitan sewerage district, or issued by a county having a population of 500,000 or more to pay unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability with respect to an employee retirement system established under county ordinances, shall be repaid within 20 years after the original date of the note.

ISSUE #3
AUTHORITY FOR THE COUNTY TO ISSUE
APPROPRIATION OBLIGATIONS
[NEW § 59.85 AND REVISION TO § 67.01(9)]

[New § 59.85]

59.85 Appropriation obligations for payment of employee retirement system liability in populous counties

Rec 16527

(1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

(a) "Appropriation obligation" means a bond, note or other obligation issued by a county to evidence its obligation to repay a certain amount of borrowed money from the following sources:

1. Moneys annually appropriated by law for debt service due with respect to such obligation;
2. Proceeds of the sale of such appropriation obligation;
3. Payments received for that purpose under agreements and ancillary arrangements described in s. 59.86;
4. Investment earnings on amounts in subs. 1 to 3 above.

(b) "Board" means the county board of supervisors in any county.

(c) "County" means any county having a population of 500,000 or more.

(c) "Refunding obligation" means an appropriation obligation issued to fund or refund all or any part of one or more outstanding appropriation obligations.

(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATION OBLIGATIONS.

(a) A board shall have all powers necessary and convenient to carry out its duties and to exercise its authority under this section.

(b) A county may issue appropriation obligations under this section to pay all or any part of the county's unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability with respect to an employee retirement system of the county established under county ordinances, or to fund or refund outstanding appropriation obligations issued under this section. A county may use proceeds of appropriation obligations to pay issuance or administrative expenses, to make deposits to reserve funds, to pay accrued or funded interest, to pay the costs of credit enhancement, to make payments under other agreements entered into under s. 59.86, or to make deposits to stabilization funds established under s. 59.87.

D-NOTE

(3) TERMS.

(a) A county may borrow money and issue appropriation obligations in evidence of such borrowing pursuant to one or more written authorizing resolutions under sub. (4). Unless otherwise provided in an authorizing resolution, the county may issue appropriation obligations at any time, in any specific amounts, at any rates of interest, for any term, payable at any intervals, at any place, in any manner, and having any such other terms or conditions as the board considers necessary or desirable. Appropriation obligations may bear interest at variable or fixed rates, bear no interest, or bear interest payable only at maturity or upon redemption prior to maturity.

(b) The board may authorize appropriation obligations having any provisions for prepayment the board considers necessary or desirable, including the payment of any premium.

(c) Interest shall cease to accrue on an appropriation obligation on the date that the appropriation obligation becomes due for payment if payment is made or duly provided for.

(d) All money borrowed by a county evidenced by appropriation obligations issued under this section shall be lawful money of the United States, and all appropriation obligations shall be payable in such money.

(e) All appropriation obligations owned or held by a fund of the county are outstanding in all respects and the board or other governing body controlling such fund shall have the same rights with respect to an appropriation obligation as a private party, but if any sinking fund acquires appropriation obligations that gave rise to such fund, the obligations are considered paid for all purposes and no longer outstanding and shall be canceled as provided in sub. (7)(e). All appropriation obligations owned by any such county fund shall be registered to the fullest extent registrable.

(f) A county shall not be generally liable on appropriation obligations and appropriation obligations shall not be a debt of the county for any purpose whatsoever. Appropriation obligation, including the principal thereof and interest thereon, shall be payable only from amounts that the board may, from year to year, appropriate for the payment thereof.

(4) PROCEDURES.

(a) No appropriation obligations may be issued by a county unless the issuance is pursuant to a written authorizing resolution adopted by a majority of a quorum of the board. The resolution may be in the form of a resolution or trust indenture, and shall set forth the aggregate principal amount of appropriation obligations authorized thereby, the manner of their sale, and the form and terms thereof.

(b) Appropriation obligations may be sold at either public or private sale, and may be sold at any price or percentage of par value. All appropriation obligations sold at public sale shall be noticed as provided in the authorizing resolution. Any bid received at public sale may be rejected.

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A.B. 527 (4) (e)
This is A.B. 527
(4)(f)*



⊕ I used only "bonds" - the defined term

seems odd to say "appropriation obligation" because "appropriation" is defined as a bond, note, or other obligation

(5) FORM.

(a) As determined by the board, appropriation obligations may be in the form of bonds, notes, or other evidences of obligation, and may be issued in book-entry form or in certificate form. Notwithstanding s. 403.104 (1), every evidence of appropriation obligation is a negotiable instrument.

(b) Every appropriation obligation shall be executed in the name of and for the county by the chairperson of the board and county clerk, and shall be sealed with the seal of the county, if any. Facsimile signatures of either such officer may be imprinted in lieu of manual signatures, but the signature of at least one such officer shall be manual. An appropriation obligation bearing the manual or facsimile signature of a person in office at the same time such signature was signed or imprinted shall be fully valid notwithstanding that before or after the delivery of such appropriation obligation such person ceased to hold such office.

(c) Every appropriation obligation shall be dated not later than the date it is issued, shall contain a reference by date to the appropriate authorizing resolution or resolutions, shall state the limitation established in sub. (3)(f), and shall be in accordance with the appropriate authorizing resolution or resolutions in all respects.

(d) An appropriation obligation shall be in such form and contain such statements or terms as determined by the board, which form, statements and terms may not conflict with law or with the appropriate authorizing resolution or resolutions.

(6) REFUNDING OBLIGATIONS.

(a) 1. A board may authorize the issuance of appropriation obligation refunding obligations. Refunding obligations may be issued, subject to any contract rights vested in owners of the appropriation obligations being refunded, to refund all or any portion of one or more issues of appropriation obligations notwithstanding that such refunded appropriation obligations may have been issued at different times. The principal amount of the refunding obligations may not exceed the sum of: the principal amount of the appropriation obligations being refunded; applicable redemption premiums; unpaid interest on the refunded appropriation obligations to the date of delivery or exchange of the refunding obligations; in the event the proceeds are to be deposited in trust as provided in par. (c), interest to accrue on the appropriation obligations to be refunded from the date of delivery to the date of maturity or to the redemption date selected by the board, whichever is earlier; and the expenses incurred in the issuance of the refunding obligations and the payment of the refunded appropriation obligations.

2. A determination by the board that a refinancing is advantageous, or that any of the amounts provided under subd. 1. should be included in the refinancing, shall be conclusive.

(b) If a board determines to exchange refunding obligations, they may be exchanged privately for and in payment and discharge of any of the outstanding appropriation obligations being refunded. Refunding obligations may be exchanged for such principal amount of the appropriation obligations being exchanged therefor as may be determined by the board to be necessary or desirable. The owners of the appropriation obligations being refunded who elect to exchange need not pay accrued interest on the refunding obligations if and to the extent that interest is accrued and unpaid on the appropriation obligations being refunded and to be surrendered. If any of the appropriation obligations to be refunded are to be called for redemption, the board shall determine which redemption dates are to be used, if more than one

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date is applicable and shall, prior to the issuance of the refunding obligations, provide for notice of redemption to be given in the manner and at the times required by the resolution authorizing the appropriation obligations to be refunded.

(c) 1. The principal proceeds from the sale of any refunding obligations shall be applied either to the immediate payment and retirement of the appropriation obligations being refunded or, if the obligations have not matured and are not presently redeemable, to the creation of a trust for, and shall be pledged to, the payment of the appropriation obligations being refunded.

2. If a trust is created, a separate deposit shall be made for each issue of appropriation obligations being refunded. Each deposit shall be with a bank or trust company that is a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. If the total amount of any deposit, including money other than sale proceeds but legally available for such purpose, is less than the principal amount of the appropriation obligations being refunded and for the payment of which the deposit has been created and pledged, together with applicable redemption premiums and interest accrued and to accrue to maturity or to the date ~~or to the date~~ of redemption, then the application of the sale proceeds shall be legally sufficient only if the money deposited is invested in securities issued by the United States or one of its agencies, or securities fully guaranteed by the United States, and only if the principal amount of the securities at maturity and the income therefrom to maturity will be sufficient and available, without the need for any further investment or reinvestment, to pay at maturity or upon redemption the principal amount of the appropriation obligations being refunded together with applicable redemption premiums and interest accrued and to accrue to maturity or to the date of redemption. The income from the principal proceeds of the securities shall be applied solely to the payment of the principal of and interest and redemption premiums on the appropriation obligations being refunded, but provision may be made for the pledging and disposition of any surplus.

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3. Nothing in this subdivision may be construed as a limitation on the duration of any deposit in trust for the retirement of appropriation obligations being refunded that have not matured and that are not presently redeemable. Nothing in this subdivision may be constructed to prohibit reinvestment of the income of a trust if the reinvestments will mature at such times that sufficient monies will be available to pay interest, applicable premiums, and principal on the appropriation obligations being refunded.

(7) **FISCAL REGULATIONS.**

Paragraph

(a) All appropriation obligations shall be registered by the county clerk or county treasurer of the county issuing such obligations, or such other officers or agents including fiscal agents, as the board may determine. After such registration, no transfer of an appropriation obligation shall be valid unless made on the records of the county by the registered owner in person, or by the registered owner's duly authorized attorney, and similarly noted on the appropriation obligation, and the county may treat the registered owner as the owner of the appropriation obligation for all purposes. Payments of principal and interest shall be by electronic funds transfer, check, share draft, or other draft to the registered owner at the owner's address as it appears on the register, unless the board has otherwise provided. Information in the register is not available for inspection and copying under s. 19.35(1). The board may make any other provision respecting registration as it considers necessary or desirable.

(b) (c) The board may appoint one or more trustees or fiscal agents for each issue of appropriation obligations. The county treasurer may be designated as the trustee and the sole fiscal agent or as co-fiscal agent for any issue of appropriation obligations. Every other fiscal

agent shall be an incorporated bank or trust company authorized by the laws of the United States or of the state in which it is located to conduct banking or trust company business. There may be deposited with a trustee, in a special account, moneys to be used only for the purposes expressly provided in the resolution authorizing the issuance of appropriation obligations or an agreement between the county and the trustee. The board may make other provisions respecting trustees and fiscal agents as the board considers necessary or desirable and may enter into contacts with any trustee or fiscal agent containing such terms, including compensation, and conditions in regard to the trustee or fiscal agent as the board considers necessary or desirable.

ew (d) If any appropriation obligation is destroyed, lost, or stolen, the county shall execute and deliver a new appropriation obligation, upon filing with the board evidence satisfactory to the board that the appropriation obligation has been destroyed, lost, or stolen, upon providing proof of ownership thereof, and upon furnishing the board with indemnity satisfactory to it and complying with such other rules of the county and paying any expenses that the county may incur. The board shall cancel the appropriation obligation surrendered to the county.

cd (e) Unless otherwise directed by the board, every evidence of appropriation obligation paid or otherwise retired shall be marked "canceled" and delivered to the county treasurer or to such other fiscal agent as applicable with respect to the appropriation obligation, who shall destroy them and deliver a certificate to that effect.

✓ (8) **APPROPRIATION OBLIGATIONS AS LEGAL INVESTMENTS.**

Any of the following may legally invest any sinking funds, moneys, or other funds belonging to them or under their control in any appropriation obligations issued under this section:

(a) The state, the state investment board, public officers, municipal corporations, political subdivisions, and public bodies.

(b) Banks and bankers, savings and loan associations, credit unions, trust companies, savings banks and institutions, investment companies, insurance companies, insurance associations, and other persons carrying on a banking or insurance business.

(c) Personal representatives, guardians, trustees, and other fiduciaries.

ew (10) **MORAL OBLIGATION PLEDGE.** If the board considers it necessary or desirable to do so, it may express in a resolution or resolutions authorizing appropriation obligations its expectation and aspiration to make timely appropriations sufficient to pay the principal of and interest due with respect to such appropriation obligations, to make deposits into any reserve fund created under sub. (2)(b)3. with respect to such appropriation obligations, to make payments under any agreement or ancillary arrangement entered into under s. 59.86 with respect to such appropriation obligations, to make deposits into any stabilization fund established or continued under s. 59.87 with respect to such appropriation obligations, or to pay related issuance or administrative expenses.

[Revision to § 67.01(9)]

(9) This chapter is not applicable to appropriation obligations issued by a county under s. 59.85 and, except ss. 67.08(1), 67.09 and 67.10, is not applicable:

**ISSUE #4
AUTHORITY FOR THE COUNTY TO UTILIZE
SWAPS AND DERIVATIVES
[NEW § 59.86]**

59.86 Agreements and ancillary arrangements for certain notes and appropriation obligations. At the time of issuance or in anticipation of the issuance of appropriation obligations under s. 59.85, or general obligation promissory notes under s. 67.12(12) to pay unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability with respect to an employee retirement system established under county ordinances, and at any time thereafter so long as such appropriation obligations or notes are outstanding, a county having a population of 500,000 or more may enter into agreements and ancillary arrangements relating to such appropriation obligations or notes, including trust indentures, liquidity facilities, remarketing or dealer agreements, letters of credit, insurance policies, guaranty agreements, reimbursement agreements, indexing agreements, and interest exchange agreements. Any payments made or amounts received with respect to any such agreement or ancillary arrangement shall be made from or deposited as provided in such agreement or ancillary arrangement.

**ISSUE #5
ADDITIONAL POWERS IN FURTHERANCE OF
PENSION FINANCINGS:
CREATION OF SPECIAL PURPOSE ENTITIES &
CREATION OF STABILIZATION FUNDS
[NEW § 59.87]**

59.87 Additional powers in furtherance of employee retirement system liability financings in populous counties

- (1) **DEFINITIONS.** In this section:
- (a) "Board" means the county board of supervisors.
 - (b) "County" means any county having a population of 500,000 or more.
 - (c) "Pension funding financing" means a plan of finance in which the stated purpose is to provide funds for the payment of all or a part of the county's unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability with respect to an employee retirement system established under county ordinances.
 - (d) "Trust" means a common law trust organized under the laws of this state, or a trust organized under the laws of another state, by the county, as settlor, pursuant to a formal, written, declaration of trust.

(2) **SPECIAL FINANCING ENTITIES, FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS.** To facilitate a pension funding financing and in furtherance thereof, a board may, by resolution or ordinance, create and establish one or more of the following: a trust, a nonstock corporation under ch. 181, a limited liability company under ch. 183, or a special fund or account of the county. Such entities shall have all powers provided to them under applicable law and the documents pursuant to which they are created and established, which powers shall be construed broadly in favor of effectuating the purposes for which they are created. A county may appropriate funds for such entities and to such funds and accounts, under terms and conditions established by the board, consistent with the purposes for which they are created and established.

(3) **STABILIZATION FUNDS.**

(a) To facilitate a pension funding financing and in furtherance thereof, a board may, by resolution or ordinance, create and establish one or more stabilization funds. Any such fund may be created as a trust, a special fund or account of the county established by a separate resolution or ordinance, or a fund or account created under an authorizing resolution or trust indenture in connection with the authorization and issuance of appropriation obligations under s. 59.85 or promissory notes under s. 67.12(12). A county may appropriate funds for deposit to a stabilization fund established under this subsection.

(b) Monies on deposit in a stabilization fund established under this subsection shall be available, subject to annual appropriation by the board, solely to pay principal or interest on appropriation obligations under s. 59.85 and promissory notes under 67.12(12) issued in connection with a pension funding financing, for the redemption or repurchase of such appropriation obligations or notes, or to make payments under any agreement or ancillary arrangement entered into under s. 59.86 with respect to such appropriation obligations or notes. Monies on deposit in a stabilization fund ^{may} ~~shall~~ not be subject to any claims, demands or actions by, or transfers or assignments to, any creditor of the county, any beneficiary of the county's employee retirement system, or any other person, on terms other than as may be established in the resolution or ordinance creating such stabilization fund. Monies on deposit in a stabilization fund established under this subsection may be invested and reinvested in the manner directed by the board or pursuant to delegation by the board as provided under s. 66.0603(5).

ISSUE #6
PENSION FINANCING INVESTMENT
AUTHORITY AND DELEGATION
[NEW §§ 66.0603(1m)(e) and 66.0603(5)]

[NEW § 66.0603(1m)(e)]

(e) Subject to the provisions of s. 67.11(2) with respect to funds on deposit in a debt service fund for promissory notes issued under s. 67.12(12), a county having a population of 500,000 or more, or an individual or entity to whom the county has delegated investment authority under sub. (5), may invest and reinvest monies held in any stabilization fund established under s. 59.87(3), any monies held in a fund or account, including any reserve account, created in connection with the issuance of appropriation obligations under s. 59.85 or promissory notes under s. 67.12(12) issued to provide funds for the payment of all or a part of the county's unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability, any monies appropriated or held by the county to pay debt service on any such appropriation obligations or notes, and any monies constituting proceeds of any such appropriation obligations or notes available for investment prior to the time they are spent for the purposes for which they are borrowed, in the same manner as is authorized for investments and reinvestments under s. 881.01.

[NEW § 66.0603(5)]

(5) DELEGATION OF INVESTMENT AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION WITH PENSION FINANCING IN POPULOUS COUNTIES. The governing board of a county having a population of 500,000 or more may delegate investment authority over any of the monies described in s. (1m)(e) to a pension board organized under county ordinances charged with responsibility for general administration and proper operation of the county's employee retirement system, to a reputable trustee, investment advisor, or investment banking or consulting firm, subject to the board's finding that such person or entity has necessary expertise in the field of investments.

ISSUE #7
TREATMENT FOR PURPOSES OF COUNTY LEVY
RATE LIMIT AND LEVY LIMIT
[REVISED § 59.605(1)(a) and § 66.0602(d)2.]

[REVISED § 59.605(1)(a)]

(a) "Debt levy" means the county purpose levy for debt service on loans under subch. II of ch. 24, bonds issued under s. 67.05, ~~and~~ promissory notes issued under s. 67.12(12), **and appropriation obligations issued under s. 59.85**, less any revenues that abate the levy.

[REVISED § 66.0602(d)2.]

(d) 2. The limit otherwise applicable under this section does not apply to amounts levied by a political subdivision for the payment of any general obligation debt service, including debt service on debt issued or reissued to fund or refund outstanding obligations of the political subdivision, interest on outstanding obligations of the political subdivision, or the payment of related issuance costs or redemption premiums, authorized on or after July 1, 2005, and secured by the full faith and credit of the political subdivision. The limit otherwise applicable under this section also does not apply to amounts levied by a county having a population of 500,000 or more for the payment of debt service on appropriation obligations issued under s. 59.85, including debt service on appropriation obligations issued to fund or refund outstanding appropriation obligations of the county, to pay related issuance costs or redemption premiums, or to make payments with respect to agreements or ancillary arrangements authorized under s. 59.86.

ISSUE #8
ADDITIONAL DEBT ISSUANCE CONDITION TO
PERMIT ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION
PROMISSORY NOTES FOR PENSION FINANCING
[REVISED § 67.045(1)(d)]

(d) The debt is issued for the purposes under s. 67.05(7)(c), (cc), (f), (h) or (i) or is issued by a county having a population of 500,000 or more to pay unfunded liability or unfunded prior service liability with respect to an employee retirement system established under county ordinances.

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Attached is are statutory revisions, drafted by Milwaukee County bond counsel concerning changes needed to implement a plan to fund the county's pension obligation.

Also attached is a partial summary of recommendations from the Governor's Milwaukee County Task Force. The starred recommendations should be included as part of the overall Pension Obligation Bond statutory language. One of these recommendations deals with the Pension Study Commission member financial qualifications. Since three of the members are county board supervisors, the qualifications should apply to the two citizen members who are residents, and should mirror SWIB qualifications i.e. "at least 10 years experience in making investments."

Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks, Jane