AN ACT to amend 66.0627 (title), 66.0627 (1) (a) and 66.0627 (8); and to create 66.0627 (1) (d) of the statutes; relating to: expanding the authority of political subdivisions to make residential energy efficiency improvement loans, and authorizing political subdivisions to make water efficiency improvement loans and impose special charges for the loans.

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

SECTION 1. 66.0627 (title) of the statutes, as affected by 2009 Wisconsin Act 11, is amended to read:

66.0627 (title) Special charges for current services and energy and water efficiency improvement loans.

SECTION 2. 66.0627 (1) (a) of the statutes, as created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 11, is amended to read:

66.0627 (1) (a) “Energy efficiency improvement” means an improvement to a residential, commercial, or industrial premises that reduces the usage of energy, or increases the efficiency of energy usage, at the premises.

SECTION 3. 66.0627 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

66.0627 (1) (d) “Water efficiency improvement” means an improvement to a residential, commercial, or industrial premises that reduces the usage of water, or increases the efficiency of water usage, at the premises.

SECTION 4. 66.0627 (8) of the statutes, as created by 2009 Wisconsin Act 11, is amended to read:

66.0627 (8) A political subdivision may make a loan to a resident of an owner or lessee of a premises located in the political subdivision for making or installing an energy efficiency improvement, a water efficiency improvement, or a renewable resource application to the resident’s residential property premises, or enter into an agreement with the owner or lessee regarding loan repayments to a 3rd party for owner−arranged or lessee−arranged financing for such purposes. If a political subdivision makes such a loan or enters into such an agreement, the political subdivision may collect the loan repayment as a special charge under this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of sub. (4), a special charge imposed under this subsection may be collected in installments and may be included in the current or next tax roll for collection and settlement under ch. 74 even if the special charge is not delinquent.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2007−08: Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated” by the secretary of state (the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment).