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October 29, 2009

MEMORANDUM

To:

Representative Kramer

From:

Marc E. Shovers, Managing Attorney, (608) 266-0129

Subject:

Technical Memorandum to 2009 AB 502 (LRB-3134/1) by DOR

We received the attached technical memorandum relating to your bill. This copy is for your information and your file. I agree with DOR that the bill should specify that Waukesha was attempting to create a "blighted" tax incremental district.

If you wish to discuss this memorandum or the necessity of revising your bill or preparing an amendment, please contact me.

MEMORANDUM

October 23, 2009

TO: Marc E. Shovers

Legislative Reference Bureau

FROM: Paul Ziegler

Department of Revenue

SUBJECT: Technical Memorandum on AB 502 Regarding the Department of Revenue to

Certify the Tax Base of Tax Incremental District #18 in the City of Waukesha

The Department of Revenue cannot administer the bill solely on the information as written.

For TIF districts created under s. 66.1105, the Department of Revenue must know which type of district is created to determine the allowable life span of the district. TIF districts created for blighted areas or areas in need of rehabilitation or conservation work have a life span of 27 years. TIF districts suitable for industrial use or for mixed-use development have a life span of 20 years.

In order for the Department to identify the permissible life span of this TIF district, the bill should specify the type of district being created. This could be accomplished by adding the phrase "as a [insert type] district" after the word "created" on page 3, line 1. Alternatively, this phrase could be inserted after "2008," on page 2, line 9.

If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact Daniel Huegel at (608) 266-5705.

cc: Representative Louis Molepske, Jr.