

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Representative Richards:

This drafter's note is meant to alert you that it is possible that this amendment could be challenged as being nongermane to AB-504. Under Assembly Rule 54 (3) (f), an amendment that "substantially expands the scope of the proposal" is nongermane.

The bill authorizes Milwaukee County to impose a sales and use tax for parks, recreation, and culture. It could be argued that this amendment, which creates a Milwaukee County Arts Advisory Board if Milwaukee County imposes that tax, substantially expands the scope of AB-504.

On the other hand, one could argue that this amendment is germane under Assembly Rule 54 (4) (e) because the creation of the advisory body to make recommendations merely relates to the "particularized details" of how the proceeds of the tax should be spent. I just thought you should be aware of both sides of this issue should the amendment be challenged.

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