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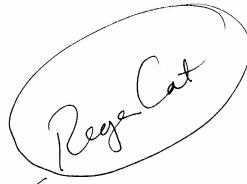
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- Once created, this authority may transact business and exercise any powers granted to it under this section.
 - 2. After an authority is created under subd. 1., any municipality located in whole or in part within Outagamie County, Calumet County, or Winnebago County that is not located in whole or in part within the urbanized Fox Cities metropolitan planning area may join the authority created under subd. 1. if the governing body of the municipality adopts a resolution to join the authority and the board of directors of the authority approves the municipality's joinder.
 - 3. The jurisdictional area of the authority created under this paragraph is the geographic area formed by the urbanized Fox Cities metropolitan planning area combined with the territorial boundaries of all municipalities that join the authority under subd. 2.
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SECTION 3. 66.1039 (3) (e) (eg) and (er) of the statutes are created to read:

66.1039 (3) (e) If an authority is created under sub. (2) (d), the board of directors

of the authority consists of the following members:

1. Three members, one each from the counties of Outagamie, Calumet, and Winnebago, appointed by the county executive of each county and approved by the

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1	county board except that, if the county does not have an elected county executive, the
2	member shall be appointed by the county board chairperson and approved by the
3	county board.
4	2. Two members, one each from the cities of Appleton and Neenah, appointed
5	by the mayor of each such city and approved by the common council.
6	3. One member from the town of Grand Chute, appointed by the town board
7	chairperson and approved by the town board.
8	4. One member appointed by the governor.
9	5. One member appointed as provided in par. (eg).
10	6. One member appointed as provided in par. (er).
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12	succession, commencing as specified in subds. 2. and 3. and, after June 30, 2017
13	repeating in the same order and by the same selection process.
14	2. For the term commencing on the effective date of this subdivision and
15	expiring on June 30, 2013, the member specified in par. (e) 5. shall be from the towr
16	of Menasha and shall be appointed by the town board chairperson and approved by
17	the town board.
18	3. For the term commencing on July 1, 2013, and expiring on June 30, 2017
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20	appointed by the mayor of the city and approved by the common council.
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1	of Kaukauna and shall be appointed by the mayor of the city and approved by the
2	common council.
3	3. For the term commencing on July 1, 2013, and expiring on June 30, 2017
4	the member specified in par. (e) 6. shall be from the village of Kimberly and shall be
5	appointed by the village president and approved by the village board.
6	4. For the term commencing on July 1, 2017, and expiring on June 30, 2021
7	the member specified in par. (e) 6. shall be from the village of Little Chute and shall
8	be appointed by the village president and approved by the village board.
9	5. For the term commencing on July 1, 2021, and expiring on June 30, 2025,
10	the member specified in par. (e) 6. shall be from the town of Buchanan and shall be
11	appointed by the town board chairperson and approved by the town board.
12	SECTION 4. 66.1039 (4) (s) 5. of the statutes is created to read:
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14	(d) may not impose the taxes authorized under subd. 1. unless the authorizing
15)	resolutions under sub. (2) (d) 1. and, if applicable, sub. (2) (d) 2., as well as the referendum
16	question on the referendum ballot specified in sub. (2) (d) 1., each clearly identifies
17	the maximum rate of the taxes that may be imposed by the authority under subd. 1.
18	Section 5. 66.1039 (13) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2009 Wisconsin
19	Act 28, is amended to read:
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21	subdivision that becomes a member of an authority under sub. (2) (c) 4. shall
22	withdraw from the authority if the county in which the municipality is located
23	withdraws from the authority under this subsection and a participating political
24	subdivision that joined an authority under sub. (2) (b) 3., (c) 3., (d) 2., or (e) 2. may

withdraw from an authority if all of the following conditions are met:

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(1) Notwithstanding the length of terms specified for members of the board of directors of the Fox Cities regional transit authority under section 66.1039 (2) (d) of the statutes, as created by this act, and section 66.1039 (3) (a) of the statutes, the initial members of the board of directors shall be appointed for the following terms:

- (a) The members appointed under section 66.1039 (3) (e) 1. of the statutes, as created by this act, for terms expiring on June 30, 2011.
- (b) The members appointed under section 66.1039 (3) (e) 2. to 4. of the statutes, as created by this act, for terms expiring on June 30, 2013.

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History: 2009 a. 28.

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Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent.

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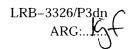
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DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU



ATTN: Stephanie Wilson

There have been a number of changes to this draft and, as previously discussed, changes sometimes have a "ripple effect" and give rise to new questions. Please review this draft carefully. I am uncertain whether it is consistent with your expectations.

Given the latest changes, is there any reason to continue to utilize the "urbanized Fox Cities metropolitan planning area" (MPA) as a component of the RTA's jurisdictional area, rather than simply the territorial boundaries of the participating municipalities? It is my understanding that utilizing the MPA to define the RTA's jurisdictional area creates complications for DOT in administering sales tax collection on motor vehicle sales.

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From:

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Sent:

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Subject: RE: RTA changes: LRB-3326

Thanks Stephanie. I'll go ahead and prepare the /P3 based on your response to item 1. There is a "ripple" effect resulting from this change, which will necessitate various corresponding changes from the /P2 as I prepare the /P3.

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Aaron,

Here is our intent:

- 1. If you don't pay you can't be part of the RTA (so it is option 1 only that part of the planning area that is also within these municipalities)
- 2. Cities have to be in or out. I agree it would be difficult to administer if parts of cities are in it. We don't want to make it more challenging for DOT.
- 3. In regards to how many cities it takes to set up an RTA, let's leave the number 2 or more in it for now but subject to change when we talk to the local folks.

Let me know if you have any additional concerns. I have CCed Tom Nelson's office on it we have been working on this together.

Thanks!

Stephanie

From: Gary, Aaron

Sent: Monday, October 19, 2009 3:20 PM

To: Wilson, Stephanie

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Hi Stephanie,

I'm sorry to say it, but I don't believe the changes suggested by Al Runde can be so simply made. So I need to get a better idea of what your intent is in order to make the necessary changes to the draft.

From what I can tell, the Fox Cities Metropolitan planning area consists of the city of Appleton and all or portions of 13 other municipalities in the "urbanized area." As I understand it, you want the RTA to be created if at least 2 of these municipalities join together (as provided under the /P2 draft, including resolutions and referenda). Let's assume that 4 of the municipalities in the planning area join together to create the RTA, but the other 10 municipalities decide not to. What is the jurisdictional area of the RTA: is it 1) only that part of the planning area that is also within these 4 municipalities, OR 2) the entire planning area (despite the fact that most of the municipalities within it opted not to join in)? Also, can the 10 municipalities that decided not to initially create the RTA change their minds and join it later, after creation?

I should also mention that I've had conversations with DOT on the subject of RTAs in general (NOT about this particular legislation). DOT administers (collects) the sales tax for motor vehicle sales. The idea of having to administer this sales tax for only a portion of a municipality (for example, that part of a municipality within the planning area) is a real, and perhaps costly, administrative challenge to DOT and they are not very happy about it. Ultimately, when the bill is introduced, I think you're going to hear that from DOT and I just wanted to give you a heads-up on it.

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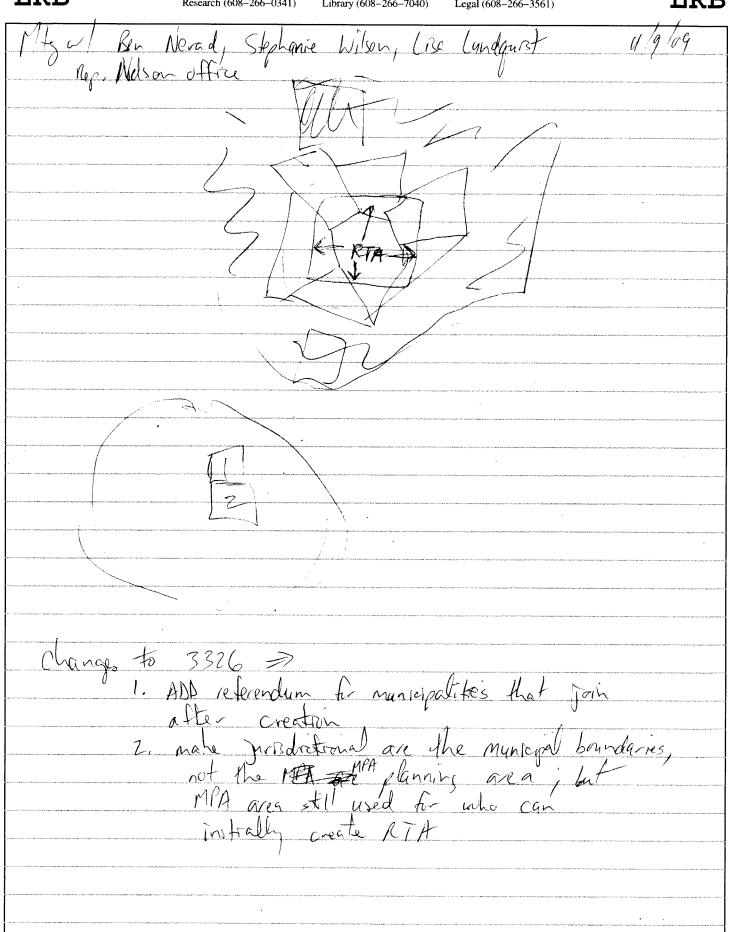
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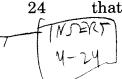
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