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2009 SENATE BILL 648

March 26, 2010 – Introduced by Senator Erpenbach, cosponsored by Representatives Pope-Roberts and Berceau. Referred to Committee on Ethics Reform and Government Operations.

AN ACT *to create* 59.58 (7) (a) 2s., 59.58 (7) (c) 1m. and 66.1039 (3) (fs) of the statutes; **relating to:** the appointment of members of the governing body of a political subdivision to a transit authority board of directors.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Unless expressly authorized by another statute, a provision of current law generally prohibits a member of a town, village, or county board or city council (officer), during the term for which the officer is elected, from being eligible for any office or position which during that term has been created by, or the selection to which is vested in, the board or council. This bill expressly authorizes an officer to be appointed as a member of the board of directors of a regional transit authority, except that the total number of these appointees, when calculated as a percentage of the total of members of the board of directors, shall be less than 50 percent.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 59.58 (7) (a) 2s. of the statutes is created to read:
- 5 59.58 (7) (a) 2s. "Governing body" means a town, village, or county board or city
- 6 council.

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SECTION 2. 59.58 (7) (c) 1m. of the statutes is created to 1	o read:
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59.58 (7) (c) 1m. A member of a governing body may be appointed as a member of the board of directors of the authority, except that the total number of these appointees, when calculated as a percentage of the total number of members of the board of directors of the authority, shall be less than 50 percent.

SECTION 3. 66.1039 (3) (fs) of the statutes is created to read:

66.1039 (3) (fs) A member of the governing body of a political subdivision may be appointed as a member of the board of directors of an authority, except that the total number of these appointees, when calculated as a percentage of the total number of members of the board of directors of an authority, shall be less than 50 percent.

12 (END)