

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2011 Assembly Bill 192

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1

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2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 192

2011 Assembly Bill 192 (the bill) prohibits a sheriff from conditioning the provision of law enforcement services upon a person's payment of a fee, charge, or tax. Also, if a sheriff contracts with a village or city, the sheriff may not condition the provision of law enforcement services based upon a person's payment of a fee, charge, or tax. The bill also prohibits a town board, village, or city from conditioning the provision of law enforcement or fire protection services provided within the respective municipality upon a person's payment of a fee, charge, or tax.

ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 (ASA 1) amends the bill by making the following changes:

- Clarifies that only the law enforcement services or fire protection services *statutorily required to be provided* by a sheriff, town board, village, or city would be prohibited from being conditioned upon a person's payment of a fee, charge, or tax.
- Clarifies that if a sheriff contracts to provide law enforcement services *in addition to the services he or she is required to provide by statute*, the sheriff is prohibited from conditioning the services upon a person's payment of a fee, charge, or tax.
- Clarifies that if a village or city abolishes its police department or combined protective services department and contracts with the county for the sheriff to provide law enforcement services, the contract may not require that the law enforcement services provided by the sheriff *under the contract* are conditioned upon a person's payment of a fee, charge, or tax.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

On September 27, 2011, Representative Pocan introduced ASA 1. Also on September 27, the Assembly Committee on Urban and Local Affairs recommended adoption of ASA 1 by a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 1; and Absent, 1. The committee then recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 1; and Absent, 1.

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