



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2013 Assembly Bill 189

**Assembly
Amendment 1**

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CURRENT LAW

Municipal incorporation is the process for creating a new village or city from town territory. Incorporation requires three separate approvals -- by the circuit court, the Incorporation Review Board at the Department of Administration, and a referendum in the area to be incorporated.

ASSEMBLY BILL 189

Assembly Bill 189 provides that if the territory proposed to be incorporated as a city or village includes portions of more than one town, the electors of each town must approve the referendum in order for the incorporation to take effect. The bill specifies that if the total territory proposed to be incorporated includes portions of more than one town, the majority that is required to approve the referendum in the territory with the smallest population that is located solely in one of the towns is 75%.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 removes the requirement that a 75% supermajority is required to approve the referendum in the territory with the smallest population that is located solely in one of the towns.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representatives Craig and Kramer on May 7, 2013. On June 4, 2013, the Assembly Committee on Urban and Local Affairs recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by the same vote.

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