WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Senate Bill 369	**Senate Amendments 1 and 2**
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2015 SENATE BILL 369

The bill prohibits a political subdivision (city, village, town, or county) from enacting or enforcing an ordinance, resolution, or policy that prohibits an employee from inquiring whether an individual who has been lawfully detained or arrested has satisfactory immigration status, or from otherwise cooperating with or assisting the federal government, or other units of government, with immigration enforcement.

The bill also authorizes certain individuals to file a writ of mandamus with the circuit court to require compliance with the requirements created by the bill.

If the court finds that a political subdivision has failed to comply, the Department of Revenue (DOR) must reduce that political subdivision's shared revenue payments according to a formula based on population.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 clarifies that a court must notify DOR of the court's finding of a political subdivision's noncompliance with the law before DOR must reduce a political subdivision's amount of shared revenue.

SENATE AMENDMENT 2

Senate Amendment 2 changes the prohibition on a political subdivision enacting a measure that prohibits an employee from inquiring about the immigration status of an individual who has been lawfully detained or arrested to prohibit a political subdivision from enacting a measure that prohibits an employee from inquiring about the immigration status of an individual who has been charged with a crime.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendments 1 and 2 were introduced by Senator Nass on January 21, 2016.

On February 12, 2016, the Senate Committee on Labor and Government Reform recommended adoption of Senate Amendments 1 and 2 on votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0. On the same day, the committee recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 3; Noes, 2.

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