2015 SENATE BILL 310

October 9, 2015 – Introduced by Senators LASSA, LeMAHIEU, HARRIS DODD, MARKLEIN, L TAYLOR, PETROWSKI and BEWLEY, cosponsored by Representatives E. BROOKS, STEFFEN, R. BROOKS, A OTT, TITTL, KESSLER, JACQUE, NOVAK, KNOGL, SKOWRONSKI and HEBL. Referred to Committee on Elections and Local Government.

AN ACT to amend 65.90 (5) (a) of the statutes; relating to: changing the publication notice requirement for certain budget actions taken by local governments.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill changes the publication notice requirement from 10 days to 15 days for most local governmental units which make certain specified changes to their budgets.

For further information see the local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

 SECTION 1. 65.90 (5) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

65.90 (5) (a) Except as provided in par. (b) and except for alterations made pursuant to a hearing under sub. (4), the amount of tax to be levied or certified, the amounts of the various appropriations and the purposes for such appropriations stated in a budget required under sub. (1) may not be changed unless authorized by
a vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the governing body of the municipality. Any municipality, except a town, which makes changes under this paragraph shall publish a class 1 notice thereof, under ch. 985, within 10 days after any change is made. Failure to give notice shall preclude any changes in the proposed budget and alterations thereto made under sub. (4).

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to a municipal budget, the summary of which is published on the effective date of this subsection.

(END)