MEMORANDUM

TO Representative Felzkowski

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DATE December 19, 2017

SUBJECT Technical memorandum to **2017 AB 572** (LRB-2650/1) **by DOA**

We received the attached technical memorandum relating to your bill. This copy is for your information and your file. If you wish to discuss this memorandum or the necessity of revising your bill or preparing an amendment, please contact me.

Technical Memo
2017 AB 572, LRB number 17-2650/1

The Department of Administration has submitted the fiscal estimate for 2017 AB 572 based on the interpretation that eligibility for the grant awards and the grant award maximum available to an eligible library or library branch is based on the population of the municipality in which the library or branch of the library is located. Data provided by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction utilizes a listing of libraries that meet the US Bureau of the Census definition of rural, obtained from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The population data also provided by DPI, based on population data from the DOA's Demographic Services Center, reflects the population of each library's service area. For libraries operating as joint libraries according to s. 43.53, Stats, this includes municipalities other than that in which the library is located in. 2017 AB 572 (provisions under s. 16.9945 (2m)(b), Stats., s. 16.996 (2m)(b), Stats., 16.9945 (3m) (a) thru (c), Stats and s. 16.996 (3m) (a) thru (c), Stats.) states that eligibility and the maximum amount of the award available to an eligible library is based on "…the population of the municipality within which the public library or branch is located…". The "service area population" of the library is not indicated nor defined in the bill, nor a differing application of these provisions to joint libraries.

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