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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law provides a property tax exemption for property owned by a county, city, village, town, school district, technical college district, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, metropolitan sewerage district, municipal water district, joint local water authority, long-term care district, or town sanitary district, among others. Under the bill, property owned by a regional planning commission would also receive a property tax exemption. The bill only requires property ownership and leasing the property, regardless of the lessee and the use of income, does not render that property taxable.

Of the nine regional planning commissions in Wisconsin, three own properties with differing tax treatment: The Northwest Regional Planning Commission (Spooner) and Southeastern Regional Planning Commission (Waukesha) receive a property tax exemption, while the Bay-Lake Region Planning Commission (Town of Lawrence) is subject to property taxes based on 2021 assessment data. The other six regional planning commissions would also be eligible for a property tax exemption if they obtained property ownership in the future.

Under the bill, the department estimates a property tax shift of approximately \$8,000 to other taxable properties with a minimal impact on the property taxes of a median value home. This is based on the taxable property that DOR is aware of in Brown County.

The department does not have any administrative costs, and the bill does not have a fiscal impact on any tax incremental financing districts at this time.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications