

1981 Senate Bill 14

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## CHAPTER 203 , Laws of 1981

AN ACT to amend 65.90 (1), (3), (4) and (5) (a); and to create 65.90 (3) (c) of the statutes, relating to changing the requirement for notice of budget hearings by common school districts.

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

SECTION 1. 65.90 (1), (3), (4) and (5) (a) of the statutes are amended to read:

65.90 (1) ~~Each~~ In this section, "municipality" means each county other than counties having a population of 500,000 or more, each city, excepting cities of the 1st class, village, town, school district, vocational, technical and adult education district and all other public bodies that have the power to levy or certify a general property tax or budget. Every municipality shall annually, prior to the determination of the sum to be financed in whole or in part by a general property tax, funds on hand or estimated revenues from any source, formulate a budget and hold public hearings thereon.

(3) A summary of ~~such~~ the budget required under sub. (1) and notice of the place where ~~such~~ the budget in detail is available for public inspection and notice of the time and place for holding the public hearing thereon shall be published as a class 1 notice, under ch. 985, in the municipality at least 15 days prior to the time of ~~such~~ the public hearing. except that:

(a) ~~In towns or one-room school districts,~~ a summary of such the budget required under sub. (1) and notice of the time and place of the public hearing thereon shall be posted in 3 public places at least 15 days prior to the time of ~~such~~ the public hearing.

(b) Any school district reproducing and providing general distribution within the district of an annual report incorporating a budget summary at least 15 days prior to the annual meeting is exempt from the notice requirements of this subsection.

(4) Not less than 15 days or, in the case of common school districts as defined under s. 115.01 (3), not less than 10 days, after the publication of the proposed budget and the notice of hearing thereon a public hearing shall be held at the time and place stipulated at which any resident or taxpayer of the governmental unit shall have an opportunity to be

heard on the proposed budget. The budget hearing may be adjourned from time to time. In school districts holding an annual meeting the time and place of the budget hearing shall be the time and place of the annual meeting.

(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 such a budget, after any alterations therein made pursuant to the hearing required by this section, shall required under sub. (1) may not be changed thereafter unless authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the governing body of such the municipality, except that in the case of a city boards board of education transfers may be authorized by a two-thirds vote of such boards the board for funds under their the board's control. Any municipality, excepting towns and one-room school districts except a town, which makes such changes under this paragraph shall publish a class 1 notice thereof, under ch. 985, within 10 days thereafter after any change is made. Failure to give such notice shall preclude any changes in the proposed budget and alterations thereto made pursuant to under sub. (4).

SECTION 2. 65.90 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

65.90 (3) (c) A common school district, as defined under s. 115.01 (3), shall publish a class 1 notice, under ch. 985, as required under this subsection, at least 10 days prior to the time of the public hearing thereon.

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