



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1391/P1

EVM:emw

DOA:.....Martin, BB0290 - Levy limit modification - regional planning commission contributions

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Levy limit exception for regional planning commission contributions

This bill creates a local levy increase limit exception for the amount a political subdivision levies to pay for the political subdivision's share of a regional planning commission's (RPC's) budget.

Generally, under current law, local levy increase limits are applied to the property tax levies that are imposed by a political subdivision in December of each year. Current law prohibits a political subdivision from increasing its levy by a percentage that exceeds its "valuation factor." "Valuation factor" is defined as the greater of either 0 percent or, in general, the percentage change in the political subdivision's equalized value due to new construction, less improvements removed.

Current law contains a number of exceptions to these levy increase limits, such as amounts a county levies for a countywide emergency medical system, for a county children with disabilities education board, and for certain bridge and culvert construction and repair. In addition, a political subdivision may exceed the levy increase limit that is otherwise applicable if its governing body adopts a resolution to do so and if that resolution is approved by the electors in a referendum.

An RPC's budget is determined annually by the RPC. The RPC then charges all political subdivisions within its jurisdiction a proportional amount to fund the budget based on the equalized value of property in the political subdivision and the total amount of equalized value of property within the RPC's jurisdiction.

For further information see the state and 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. 66.0602 (3) (e) 10. of the statutes is created to read:

66.0602 (3) (e) 10. The amount that a political subdivision levies in that year

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to pay for the political subdivision's share of a regional planning commission's budget as charged by the commission under s. 66.0309 (14) (a) to (c).

SECTION 9130. Nonstatutory provisions; Local Government.

(1) LEVY LIMIT EXCEPTION FOR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CHARGES.

For the purposes of a levy imposed by a city, village, town, or county in December 2025, the base amount to which s. 66.0602 (2) applies does not include any amount that the city, village, town, or county levied in the immediately preceding year to pay for the city's, village's, town's, or county's share of a regional planning commission's budget as charged by the commission under s. 66.0309 (14) (a) to (c).

SECTION 9330. Initial applicability; Local Government.

(1) LEVY LIMIT EXCEPTION FOR REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION CHARGES.

The treatment of s. 66.0602 (3) (e) 10. first applies to a levy that is imposed in December 2025.

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