



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2015 Wisconsin Act 178**  
[2015 Assembly Bill 563]

**Town Zoning in Dane County**

2015 Wisconsin Act 178 does all of the following:

- Allows a town in Dane County to withdraw from coverage under the county zoning ordinance and the county development plan, and adopt a town zoning ordinance, under certain conditions, and sets limits on the nature of amendments that are allowed to be made to such an ordinance.
- Repeals the requirement that towns in Dane County obtain county board approval for adoption or amendment of a town zoning ordinance, and places requirements on Dane County with respect to the withdrawal of a town from coverage under the county zoning ordinance.
- Specifies that Dane County generally does not have authority to approve or object to a proposed plat or certified survey map if the subdivision or land is located in a town that has withdrawn from county zoning.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.