



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
AMENDMENT MEMO**

2003 Assembly Bill 105	Assembly Substitute Amendment 1
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2003 Assembly Bill 105 establishes a state waterfront development program in the **Department of Tourism** to assist municipalities in the revitalization of areas adjacent to lakes or streams. The bill requires the Department of Tourism to provide technical assistance, training, and information on revitalization of waterfronts to municipalities and to coordinate state grant programs that are available to municipalities for waterfront development.

The bill authorizes one full-time equivalent (FTE) position in the Department of Tourism to administer the program.

The bill also creates the On-the-Waterfront Program Council, consisting of the Secretaries of the Departments of Tourism, Commerce, Natural Resources, and Transportation, or their designees, and members representing the following: a local chamber of commerce, a local visitor and convention bureau, a city, village, or county, a town, the planning profession, the financial community, and the business community. An employee of the Department of Tourism is to serve as the nonvoting secretary for the council.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 is identical to the bill except that the waterfront development program would be established in the **Department of Commerce** instead of the Department of Tourism.

Legislative History

2003 Assembly Bill 105 was introduced on February 26, 2003 by Representatives Wieckert and others; cosponsored by Senator Robson. It was referred to the Assembly Committee on Economic Development, which held a hearing on the bill on April 15, 2003. On May 13, 2003, the committee introduced Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 and recommended its adoption on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0. The committee voted to recommend passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0.

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