



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
STAFF MEMORANDUM**

Memo No. 2

TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON APPLICABILITY OF OPEN MEETINGS LAW TO QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL BODIES

FROM: Ronald Sklansky, Senior Staff Attorney, and Dan Schmidt, Senior Analyst

RE: Draft Options

DATE: December 1, 2006

At the last meeting of the Special Committee, the chair requested that draft options be prepared for the purpose of determining the appropriate applicability of the Open Meetings Law to economic development corporations. Included in this Memo are the following draft options:

1. WLC: 0019/1, entirely exempting quasi-governmental corporations from the Open Meetings Law.
2. WLC: 0020/1, entirely exempting economic development corporations from the Open Meetings Law.
3. WLC: 0021/1, providing that an economic development corporation, which also is a quasi-governmental corporation, may move into a closed session to review matters relating to development or redevelopment of a community or area whenever a competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

As noted previously in the committee's discussion on October 18, 2006, the adoption of any of these drafts may require similar amendments to Wisconsin's Open Records Law.

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Enclosures