



2005 SENATE BILL 695

April 18, 2006 - Introduced by Senators TAYLOR and GROTHMAN, cosponsored by Representatives GRIGSBY and FIELDS. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Corrections and Privacy.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 62.50 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** increasing the size of the
2 city of Milwaukee Board of Fire and Police Commissioners.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law in first class cities (presently only Milwaukee), there is a Board of Fire and Police Commissioners (board) that consists of five members. Each member is appointed to a staggered five-year term by the mayor of Milwaukee, subject to confirmation by the Milwaukee Common Council.

This bill increases the number of members on the board to nine, and authorizes the mayor of Milwaukee to appoint four additional members of the board upon the bill's effective date.

Members of the board who are appointed on or after the effective date of the bill are still subject to confirmation by the Milwaukee Common Council and are appointed to five-year terms.

For further information see the *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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 62.50 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 62.50 (1) In all 1st class cities, however incorporated, there shall be a board of
5 fire and police commissioners, consisting of ~~5~~ 9 citizens, not more than ~~2~~ 3 of whom

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1 shall at any time belong to the same political party. The staff and members of the
2 board shall receive the salary or other compensation for their services fixed by the
3 common council. The salary shall be fixed at the same time and in the same manner
4 as the salary of other city officials and employees. Three members of the board shall
5 constitute a quorum necessary for the transaction of business. It shall be the duty
6 of the mayor of the city, on or before the 2nd Monday in July, to appoint ~~5~~ 9 members
7 of the board, designating the term of office of each, one to hold one year, ~~one~~ 2 to hold
8 2 years, ~~one~~ 2 to hold 3 years, ~~one~~ 2 to hold 4 years and ~~one~~ 2 to hold 5 years, and until
9 their respective successors shall be appointed and qualified. Thereafter the terms
10 of office shall be 5 years from the 2nd Monday in July, and until a successor is
11 appointed and qualified. Every person appointed a member of the board shall be
12 subject to confirmation by the common council and every appointed member shall,
13 before entering upon the duties of the office take and subscribe the oath of office
14 prescribed by article IV, section 28, of the constitution, and file the same duly
15 certified by the officer administering it, with the clerk of the city. Appointments
16 made prior to the time this subchapter first applies to a 1st class city shall not be
17 subject to confirmation by the common council.

SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.

18 (1) On the effective date of this subsection the mayor of a 1st class city shall
19 make 4 additional appointments to the board of fire and police commissioners under
20 section 62.50 (1) of the statutes such that the additional appointments are for terms
21 that are consistent with the requirements, and with the terms of the existing
22 commissioners, that are specified under section 62.50 (1) of the statutes.
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SECTION 3. Effective date.
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