

Resolution No. 15-15

Resolution to Offer to the Wisconsin Counties Association 2015 Annual Conference Relating to the Consideration and Handling of Non-Fiscal Policy Proposals Contained in the State of Wisconsin Biennial Budget Proposal

TO THE HONORABLE SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE COUNTY OF POLK:

Ladies and Gentlemen:

WHEREAS, at the Wisconsin Counties Association (WCA) Annual Convention, the WCA Annual Business Meeting establishes policy positions through the adoption of official resolutions offered by member counties; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin biennial budget contains many program expenditures that are often funded partially or entirely by County or Municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, many of these programs are policies mandated by the State for local governments to provide; and

WHEREAS, it has become a common practice that changes to these programs in funding, program direction, scope, operation, or oversight, often has a financial impact on local governments that is unknown or unspecified in the biennial budget; and

WHEREAS, although county and municipal budgets are set on an annual basis, local governments need to plan for multi-year, future expenditures; and

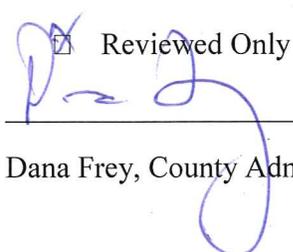
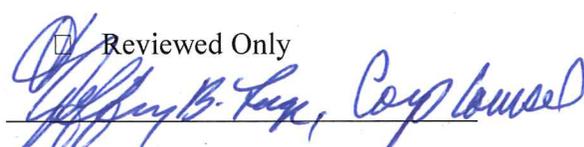
WHEREAS, non-fiscal policy decisions should be considered outside the State budget process for adequate deliberation, analysis and study of financial impacts to local governments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors does, on behalf of Polk County, sponsor, offer and submit to the Wisconsin Counties Association a proposed resolution for consideration and adoption at the 2015 WCA Annual Business Meeting, wherein the Wisconsin Counties Association resolve as follows:

1. To request of both the Wisconsin Assembly and the Wisconsin Senate to agree, as follows:

- a. to require that upon receiving each biennial budget from the Governor, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau be asked to identify any non-fiscal, policy provisions in the budget; and
- b. that the Joint Finance Committee, at its first meeting after receiving that information, remove those non-fiscal items from the budget before the public hearings on the biennial budget are scheduled.

Funding Source/ Funding Amount:	Not Applicable
Date Reviewed as to Appropriations:	Not Applicable
Committee Recommendation as To	Not Applicable

Appropriation:	
Effective Date:	Upon Passage
Dated Submitted To County Board	May 19, 2015
Submitted and Sponsored By:	Polk County Executive Committee;  William F. Johnson, IV Executive Committee Chairman
Review By County Administrator: <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Dana Frey, County Administrator	Review By Corporation Counsel: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved as to Form <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reviewed Only  Malia T. Malone, Assistant Corporation Counsel

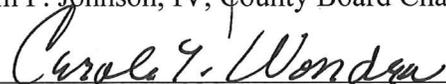
Acknowledgement of County Board Action

Mark As Appropriate:

At its regular business meeting on the 19th day of May 2015, the Polk County Board of Supervisors considered and acted on the above resolution, Resolution No. 15-15: Resolution to Offer to the Wisconsin Counties Association 2015 Annual Conference Relating to the Consideration and Handling of Non-Fiscal Policy Proposals Contained in the State of Wisconsin Biennial Budget Proposal, as follows:

- Adopted by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Adopted by ~~majority voice vote.~~ unanimous voice vote.
- Defeated by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ against.
- Defeated by majority voice vote.
- Action Deferred by Procedural Action, as follows: _____

SIGNED BY: 
William F. Johnson, IV, County Board Chairperson

Attest: 
Carole T. Wondra, County Clerk

