

# State of Wisconsin



2015 Assembly Bill 362

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## 2015 WISCONSIN ACT 175

AN ACT to amend 251.11 (1), 251.15 (1), 251.15 (2) and 251.15 (2m); and to create 251.115 of the statutes; relating to: multiple jurisdictions' health departments.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** 251.11 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

251.11 (1) The local board of health of every multiple county health department established under s. 251.02 (3) and of every city–county health department established under s. 251.02 (1m) shall annually prepare a budget of its proposed expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year and determine either the proportionate cost to each participating county and city on the basis of equalized valuation or the proportionate levy contribution from each county and city on a per capita basis. A certified copy of the budget, which shall include a statement of the amount required from each county and city, shall be delivered to the county board of each participating county and to the mayor or city manager of each participating city. The appropriation to be made by each participating county and city shall be determined by the governing body of the county and city. No part of the cost apportioned to the county shall be levied against any property within the city.

**SECTION 1p.** 251.115 of the statutes is created to read:

**251.115 Multiple municipal local health department and city–city local health department; how financed.** The governing body of every multiple municipal

pal local health department established under s. 251.02 (2) (b) or (3r) and of every city–city local health department established under s. 251.02 (3t) shall annually prepare a budget of its proposed expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year and determine either the proportionate cost to each participating municipality on the basis of equalized valuation or the proportionate levy contribution from each participating municipality on a per capita basis. A certified copy of the budget, which shall include a statement of the amount required from each municipality, shall be delivered to the governing body of each participating municipality. The appropriation to be made by each participating municipality shall be determined by the governing body of the city, village, and town.

**SECTION 2.** 251.15 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

251.15 (1) After establishing a multiple county health department under s. 251.02 (3), any participating county board may withdraw by giving written notice to its county board of health and the county boards of all other participating counties, except that participating county boards may, in establishing a multiple county health department under s. 251.02 (3), establish an initial minimum participation period of up to 5 years. If a multiple county health department is established with an initial minimum participation period under this subsection, a participating county may not withdraw during that initial minimum period unless withdrawal is necessary to meet

\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."

statutory requirements for a Level I health department under s. 251.05.

**SECTION 3m.** 251.15 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

251.15 (2) A city that had established a local health department prior to deciding to participate in a city-county health department established under s. 251.02 (1m) may withdraw from the city-county health department if the common council of the city gives written notice to the county board of the participating county, except that participating cities and counties may, in establishing a city-county health department under s. 251.02 (1m), establish an initial minimum participation period of up to 5 years. If a city-county health department is established with an initial minimum participation period under this subsection, a participating city or county may not withdraw during that initial minimum period unless withdrawal is necessary to meet statutory requirements for a Level I health department under s. 251.05.

**SECTION 4m.** 251.15 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

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251.15 (2m) After establishing a multiple municipal local health department under s. 251.02 (2) (b) or (3r) or a city-city local health department under s. 251.02 (3t), the governing body of any participating city, village, or town participating may withdraw by giving written notice to the local board of health and to the governing bodies of all other participating cities, villages, and towns, except that participating cities, villages, and towns may, in establishing a multiple municipal local health department under s. 251.02 (2) (b) or (3r) or a city-city local health department under s. 251.02 (3t), establish an initial minimum participation period of up to 5 years. If a multiple municipal local health department or city-city local health department is established with an initial minimum participation period under this subsection, a participating city, village, or town may not withdraw during that initial minimum period unless withdrawal is necessary to meet statutory requirements for a Level I health department under s. 251.05.