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2003 Wisconsin Act 134 [2003 Senate Bill 375]

Fees Imposed by Political Subdivisions

2003 Acts: www.legis.state.wi.us/2003/data/acts/

Act Memos: www.legis.state.wi.us/lc/act_memo/act_memo.htm

Under common law, a fee imposed by a city, village, town, or county generally must bear a reasonable relationship to the cost of the service or regulation supported by the fee.

2003 Wisconsin Act 134 codifies the common law requirement, above, into the statutes, by expressly providing, in ch. 66, Stats., that any fee imposed by a city, village, town, or county must bear a reasonable relationship to the service for which the fee is imposed.

Effective Date: 2003 Wisconsin Act 134 takes effect on March 13, 2004.

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