



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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2009 Wisconsin Act 256 [2009 Assembly Bill 633]	Use of County Jail Funds for Educational and Medical Services
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Current law requires a person who is ordered to pay a fine or a forfeiture for a violation of state law or a violation of a municipal or county ordinance, with certain exceptions, to also pay a jail surcharge in the amount of 1% or the fine or forfeiture imposed or \$10, whichever is greater. The monies collected from jail surcharges are placed in a county jail fund and may be used to make payments for construction, remodeling, repair, or improvement of county jails.

2009 Wisconsin Act 256 also permits counties to use the monies collected from jail surcharges for costs related to educational and medical services to inmates.

Effective date: Act 256 took effect on May 22, 2010.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.