



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2017 Assembly Bill 718**

**Assembly  
Amendment 2**

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### **2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 718**

2017 Assembly Bill 718 requires state agencies and cities, villages, towns, and counties to conduct background investigations of certain persons selected to fill positions involving access to federal tax information. Specifically, the background investigation requirements apply to state and local employees and state contractors who, as part of fulfilling the duties of their positions, will have access to federal tax information received directly from the federal Internal Revenue Service (IRS) or from a source that is authorized by the IRS. The bill specifies that such background investigations are to be conducted with the assistance of the state Department of Justice, and may include fingerprinting. The bill also authorizes state agencies and local governments to conduct additional background investigations of such persons after completing an initial background investigation.

### **ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2**

Assembly Amendment 2 delays the effective date of the bill by seven months. The amendment also clarifies that the bill applies to persons who are appointed under a civil service system established by a county or by the City of Milwaukee.

### **BILL HISTORY**

Representative Kooyenga offered Assembly Amendment 2 on December 19, 2017. On January 25, 2018, the Assembly Committee on State Affairs voted to recommend adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0.

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