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## 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 271

March 29, 1995 – Introduced by Representatives Albers, F. Lasee, Lazich and Ziegelbauer. Referred to Committee on Insurance, Securities and Corporate Policy.

- 1 AN ACT to renumber and amend 611.11 (4); to amend 66.18 and 611.23 (2); and
- 2 **to create** 611.11 (4) (a) and 611.11 (4) (b) 1. to 3. of the statutes; **relating to:**
- 3 municipal insurance mutuals.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the state or any municipality may procure risk management services and liability insurance covering the state or municipality and its officers, agents and employes. A municipality may procure risk management services and liability coverage through a municipal insurance mutual. Also under current law, any number of municipalities or associations of municipalities may organize a municipal insurance mutual to provide risk management services and liability insurance for its members. This bill defines municipality as any county, city, village, town, school district, sewer district, drainage district or other political subdivision of the state. The bill authorizes a municipal insurance mutual to provide worker's compensation insurance for its members in addition to liability insurance and risk management services. The bill authorizes the state or any municipality to procure worker's compensation insurance covering officers and employes of the state or municipality and authorizes a municipality to procure the worker's compensation insurance through a municipal insurance mutual.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**Section 1.** 66.18 of the statutes is amended to read:

| 66.18 (title) Liability and worker's compensation insurance. The state,                |
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| or any municipality as defined in s. 345.05 (1) (c), is empowered to procure risk      |
| management services and liability insurance covering the state or municipality and     |
| its officers, agents and employes and worker's compensation insurance covering         |
| officers and employes of the state or municipality. A municipality may participate     |
| in and pay the cost of risk management services and liability and worker's             |
| compensation insurance through a municipal insurance mutual organized under s.         |
| 611.23.  |
| <b>SECTION 2.</b> 611.11 (4) of the statutes is renumbered 611.11 (4) (b) (intro.) and |
| amended to read:   |
| 611.11 (4) (b) (intro.) Any number of municipalities or associations of                |
| municipalities or both may organize a municipal insurance mutual under s. 611.13,      |
| subject to s. 611.23, to provide liability insurance and risk management services any  |
| of the following for its members:  |
| <b>Section 3.</b> 611.11 (4) (a) of the statutes is created to read:                   |
| 611.11 (4) (a) In this subsection, "municipality" has the meaning given in s.          |
| 345.05 (1) (c).  |
| <b>Section 4.</b> 611.11 (4) (b) 1. to 3. of the statutes are created to read:         |
| 611.11 (4) (b) 1. Worker's compensation insurance.                                     |
| 2. Liability insurance.  |
| 3. Risk management services.   |

**Section 5.** 611.23 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

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| 611.23 (2) REGULATION. Except under as provided in sub. (3), the provisions of    |
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| chs. 600 to 646 applying that apply to other mutuals organized or operating under |
| this chapter apply also to municipal insurance mutuals.                           |
| (END)   |