2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 521

October 4, 2007 - Introduced by Representatives Moulton, Strachota, A. Williams, A. Ott, Van Roy, Townsend, Wood, Honadel and Murtha, cosponsored by Senators Plale, A. Lasee, Darling, Breske, Cowles, Roessler, Schultz, Lazich and Grothman. Referred to Committee on Urban and Local Affairs.

- 1 AN ACT to create 101.02 (7r) of the statutes; relating to: ordinances establishing
- 2 standards for places of employment and public buildings.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

With certain exceptions, current law requires the Department of Commerce (department) to establish reasonable standards or rules for the construction, repair, and maintenance of places of employment and public buildings so as to render them safe. Pursuant to this requirement, the department has promulgated rules establishing such standards. This bill prohibits a city, village, or town from enacting or enforcing an ordinance that establishes minimum standards for the construction, repair, and maintenance of places of employment and public buildings unless that ordinance strictly conforms to the rules promulgated by the department.

For further information see the *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:

- 3 **Section 1.** 101.02 (7r) of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 101.02 (7r) Notwithstanding sub. (7) (a), no city, village, or town may enact or
- 5 enforce an ordinance establishing minimum standards for the construction, repair,

ASSEMBLY BILL 521

- and maintenance of places of employment and public buildings unless that ordinance
- 2 strictly conforms to rules promulgated by the department under sub. (15) (j).
- 3 (END)