# JOURNAL OF THE MEETING OF THE SHEBOYGAN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

## January 19, 2016

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 59.11, the January 19, 2016 session of the Sheboygan County Board was called to order by Chairperson Roger L. Te Stroete at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Te Stroete noted that the notice of meeting was posted on January 15, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. in compliance with the open meeting law. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance by all present.

The roll call was taken and recorded with 24 Supervisors present; Absent: 1, Supervisor Conrardy.

Supervisor Winkel moved for approval of the December 15, 2015 Journal, which was distributed to all supervisors prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Glavan and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

The Chairperson announced that the next order of business was the consideration of the appointments by the County Administrator of Thomas Doane and Tom Bigler to the Eastern Shores Library System Board.

Supervisor Goehring moved to concur with the appointments from the County Administrator. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Uraynar and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

#### PRESENTATION

Dane Checolinski, SCEDC Director - "Someplace Better" Workforce Relocation Initiative

#### LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Shawano County Board of Supervisors urging legislators to amend Wis. Stat. §43.12 relating to library payments. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Iron County Board of Supervisors urging repeal of requirements of Act 55 related to shoreland zoning. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors supporting a national marine sanctuary in Wisconsin's mid-lake region and inclusion of Kewaunee's coastal areas. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Racine County Board of Supervisors opposing any legislation expanding the subpoena process. By Chairperson received for information.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors supporting proposed legislation regarding marriage and domestic partnership license fees and updates to required information. By Chairperson referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk presented a resolution from the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors opposing proposed legislation relating to the referral of cases of suspected child abuse. By Chairperson referred to the Health & Human Services Committee.

#### COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

County Administrator Adam Payne thanked Dane Checolinski for his presentation and the good work of the Sheboygan County Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Payne gave brief updates on the Amsterdam Dunes Wetland Mitigation Bank and Preservation Area, Employee Compensation Study and Payroll Systems, and his recent appointment of a Courthouse Security Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Payne thanked the Finance and HR Committees and staff for their work on the Employee Health Insurance change to WCA Health Trust, saving approximately \$1.1 million. Mr. Payne shared next month he will be giving the State of the County address.

#### MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 27 (2015/16) Re: Honoring the Life of Former County Board Supervisor Adrian W. Van Dixhorn.

Pursuant to County Board Rule 2.13, this resolution was on the floor for immediate action and was unanimously adopted by the Board on a rising vote and a pause in its deliberations.

Chairperson Te Stroete and Vice Chairperson Wegner presented a signed copy of the resolution to Mr. Van Dixhorn's daughters, Brenda Nabak and Gloria Van Dixhorn.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding Resolution No. 23 (2015/16) Disallowance of Calkins Claim Against Sheboygan County recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Marthenze moved to adopt the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Goehring and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding Resolution No. 24 (2015/16) Election to Withdraw from the Local Government Property Insurance Fund (LPGIF) recommending adoption.

Supervisor Weggeman moved to adopt the resolution. Supervisor Marthenze seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding Resolution No. 25 (2015/16) Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of \$3,265,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds recommending adoption.

**Supervisor Weggeman moved to adopt the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Supervisor Marthenze.

Supervisor Weggeman moved to amend the resolution by replacing the original resolution with the revised resolution presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Marthenze and carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

Resolution No. 25 was adopted as amended on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Executive Committee regarding Ordinance No. 12 (2015/16) Changing Supervisory District Boundaries to Reflect Annexation recommending enactment

**Supervisor Goehring moved to enact the ordinance.** Supervisor Glavan seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board.

The Clerk read the report of the Law Committee regarding Resolution No. 26 (2015/16) Supporting Rules for Packaging Liquid Nicotine recommending filing with the clerk.

Supervisor Winkel moved to file the resolution with the clerk. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Epping and was defeated on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 10, Supervisors Bauer, Bemis, Bosman, Damp, Epping, Hilbelink, Marthenze, Te Stroete, Weggeman, and Winkel; Noes: 14; Absent: 1, Supervisor Conrardy.

Supervisor Van Dixhorn moved to adopt the resolution. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Hoffmann.

Per Corporation Counsel, Carl Buesing advised the board needed to vote to suspend the rules to allow a motion to accept the consideration of the Van Dixhorn motion. Vote carried on Ayes: 16, Noes: 8, Supervisors Bauer, Bemis, Damp, Epping, Hilbelink, Marthenze, Te Stroete, and Winkel; Absent: 1, Supervisor Conrardy.

Resolution No. 26 was adopted on roll call vote of the board of Ayes: 16, Noes: 8, Supervisors Bauer, Bosman, Damp, Epping, Hilbelink, Marthenze, Weggeman, and Winkel; Absent: 1, Supervisor Conrardy.

### (Vice-Chairperson Wegner presiding)

Pursuant to Rule IV of the Rules of Order, the following resolutions and ordinances were introduced by the Clerk and referred by the Vice-Chairperson as indicated:

**Resolution No. 28 (2015/16)** Re: Carryover of Unexpended 2015 Appropriations to 2016 referred to the Executive Committee.

**Resolution No. 29 (2015/16)** Re: Amending 2016 Budget Based on Health Insurance Change referred to the Executive Committee.

Ordinance No. 13 (2015/16) Re: Establishing Speed Zone on County Road "KK" (Town of Wilson) referred to the Law Committee.

Ordinance No. 14 (2015/16) Re: Prohibiting Parking on Portion of County Road "O", City and Town of Sheboygan referred to the Law Committee.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Supervisor Bemis moved to adjourn to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016. Supervisor Winkel seconded the motion which carried on unanimous roll call vote of the board. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

### Resolution No. 67-15

# To urge amending the law concerning county payment for library services

Whereas, Shawano County recognizes the importance of public libraries and the information and resources public libraries provide; and

Whereas, Shawano County is committed to and does provide substantial financial support to the public libraries located in Shawano County; and

Whereas, current library law, specifically Wis. Stat. § 43.12, has had unintended financial consequences on the residents of Shawano County; and

Whereas, under the existing provisions of Wis. Stat. § 43.12, Shawano County is required to make payment to adjoining counties for materials loaned from adjoining county libraries to residents of Shawano County, resulting in inequitable taxation to those residents who do not use the services of neighboring county libraries; and

Whereas, existing law prohibits the disclosure of the names of Shawano County residents who use the neighboring libraries to Shawano County, even though Shawano County is the party responsible to pay the charges incurred by those Shawano County residents; and

Whereas, existing law does not require the billing county to provide usage data by municipality, which would assist Shawano County in determining where to provide library services; and

Whereas, existing law arbitrarily sets a 70% reimbursement rate formula for reimbursement of library services of another county; and

Whereas, the net result is that Shawano County is required to make payments totaling \$119,289 in 2016 for library services of which approximately 44% will go to Brown County, 49% will go to Outagamie/Winnebago Counties and 7% to Langlade County; and

Whereas, in an effort to remedy the current statutory scheme, Shawano County proposes Wis. Stats. § 43.12(8) be created to read:

(8) To avoid any payments due under sub (1), a County that does not maintain a consolidated public library may, by resolution, direct the County Clerk to notify the clerk of each adjacent county that the adjacent county libraries are to invoice out-of-county residents directly for any materials loaned.

Whereas, alternatively, Shawano County hereby requests legislative action to repeal Wis. Stat. § 43.12, or other legislative action to address the unintended inequity caused by the existing revisions to the statute.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Shawano County Board of Supervisors, in session this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015, that the Board urges the Legislature to amend Wis. Stats. § 43.12 with the proposed language described above, or alternatively, to repeal § 43.12 or make other legislative changes to reverse the inequity caused by the statute.

**Be it further resolved,** the Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to Sen. Robert Cowles, Sen. Luther Olsen, Sen. Thomas Tiffany, Rep. Gary Tauchen, Rep. Mary Czaja, Rep. Jeffrey Mursau, Rep. Kevin Petersen and Governor Scott Walker.

**Be it further resolved,** the Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the County Clerk of each County in this state and to the Wisconsin Counties Association.

## Submitted by,

Michael McClelland Milton Marquardt Geri Van De Loo Melissa Schuler Krisy Bogacz John Hoeffs Roland Dobratz Gerald Erdmann Gene Hoppe Bonnie Olson Deb Noffke William Switalla

City/County Library Board

Administrative Committee

# Iron County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 2888

# A resolution to Repeal the requirements of Act 55 related to Shoreland Zoning

Whereas, Iron County has been enforcing the minimum standards of NR 115 since its inception in the late 1960s, and has accumulated considerable experience while working with the various incarnations of NR 115 over many years, and furthermore has noted during these many years that the previously existing laws have protected the water quality in Iron County, and at the same time have protected property values, the County's wildlife and fisheries habitat, and the natural scenic beauty of Iron County's shorelands, and at the same time provided flexibility to property owners in development of their property; and

Whereas, Iron County has 494 pristine lakes and 724 miles of perennial streams as well as Lake Superior Shoreline that are pressured with both new development and re-development of existing structures; and

Whereas, Act 55 of the Wisconsin Legislature (the Budget Bill) took away local authority to create more restrictive zoning ordinances related to shorelands and,

Whereas, the Iron County Comprehensive Planning and Zoning Committee and the Iron County Board of Supervisors believe the concept of "one size fits all" is detrimental to our waters and way of life and,

Whereas, the new law as written will prevent the local governmental units charged by the State of Wisconsin with overseeing development within its shorelands from protecting the rights of the property owner, the citizens of the area, and the environment in a fair and equitable manner; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the Iron County Board of Supervisors petition our Governor, our State Legislators and other counties in our state to repeal the requirements listed in Act 55 related to Shoreland Zoning;

Be it further resolved that, this request be sent to our Governor, our local legislators and all counties in the state.

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Ayes	12	_ Nays _	0	Abstain	0	Absent	2	{ Voice Vote

7	Approved and adopted this 10th day of Dece	ember 2015.
	Denied this day of December 2015.	
Attes	t:	Signed by:
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Iron County Clerk

Iron County Board of Supervisors

# RESOLUTION NO. 22-12-15



# A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY IN WISCONSIN'S MID-LAKE REGION AND INCLUSION OF KEWAUNEE COUNTY'S COASTAL AREAS

# TO THE HONORABLE KEWAUNEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, The natural resources in the Mid-Lake region of Lake Michigan, including the coastal areas of Kewaunee County, are part of a rich, bio-diverse ecosystem that supports one of the largest spawning populations of indigenous lake trout and serves as an important flyway for migratory birds that traverse Canada, the U.S., Central and South America; and

WHEREAS, the Mid-Lake region of Lake Michigan is comprised of sand beaches, steep bluffs, Niagara limestone formations, wetlands, prairies, and freshwater sand dunes that support a wide variety of life; and

WHEREAS, the Mid-Lake region of Lake Michigan contains an extraordinary collection of nationally significant shipwrecks including 15 shipwrecks listed on the National Register of Historic Places including two additional shipwrecks on the National Register of Historic Places in Kewaunee County's coastal waters (the American and the Daniel Lyons) and more than 30 other documented Kewaunee coastal shipwrecks in total; and

WHEREAS, the architectural integrity and accessibility (nearly one-quarter of the documented shipwrecks are in less than 20 feet of water), of many of these shipwrecks makes the Mid-Lake region of Lake Michigan an outstanding choice for a new National Marine Sanctuary; and

WHEREAS, a National Marine Sanctuary would be invaluable in telling the cultural history of the Mid-Lakes region including human settlement patterns, shipbuilding, commercial fishing, lumbering, mining and maritime transportation; and

WHEREAS, a National Maritime Sanctuary would support and enhance local, state, regional and national and international tourism as one of the key economic drivers of the Mid-Lake region; and

WHEREAS, tourism in Ozaukee, Sheboygan, Manitowoc and Kewaunee Counties constitutes more than \$400 million per year in visitor spending and supports more than 7,400 equivalent full-time jobs generating more than \$675 million in total business sales and \$50 million in state and local taxes; and

WHEREAS, a National Marine Sanctuary that includes Kewaunee County would build upon the nationally known sport fishing industry in Kewaunee County, the recently approved Kewaunee Harbor and Pierhead Lighthouse restoration project and the walkway project connecting the Pierhead Lighthouse to the Ahnapee Trail; and

WHEREAS, a new Lake Michigan Marine Sanctuary would support and promote a wide range of youth and adult educational activities and enhance the cultural and historical understanding of this region; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Historical Society (WHS) in partnership with the Department of Administration's Wisconsin Coastal Management Program (WCMP), recommended that an 875-square

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mile area within the 2,552-square mile Mid-Lake Michigan region be considered for a national marine sanctuary in Wisconsin; and

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WHEREAS, the WHS, the WCMP, the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute, and the citizens of the State have invested a quarter of a century in documenting, preserving, and celebrating Wisconsin's maritime heritage.

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2015, that the Board enthusiastically supports the nomination to NOAA of a national marine sanctuary in this Mid-Lake region of Lake Michigan and encourages NOAA to include Kewaunee County's coastal areas in this marine sanctuary designation.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Clerk shall forward copies of this Resolution to Governor Walker, state and federal legislative representatives having constituencies in Kewaunee County, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and such other public officials as the Clerk may deem appropriate.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL, ADVISORY AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

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APPROVED AS TO FORM
Jeffrey R. Wisnicky
Corporation Counsel

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

No County Funds to be Used

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 **RESOLUTION NO. 2015-94** 

OVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE OPPOSING AN

RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE OPPOSING ANY LEGISLATION EXPANDING THE SUBPOENA PROCESS

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that Racine County hereby opposes any legislation expanding the subpoena process, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the Racine County Clerk be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to all Wisconsin Counties, the Racine County Executive, and the Racine County Lobbyist for distribution to the Legislature and Governor.

Respectfully submitted.

1st Reading	12-15-15	Government-Services Committee
2nd Reading	1-12-16	Mandal annun tuhan
BOARD ACTION Adopted For Against Absent	<u>4e5</u>	Pamela Zennel Richards, Chairman  Ronald Molnar, Vice-Chairman
VOTE REQUIRED:	Majority	John A. Wisch, Secretary
Prepared by: Corporation Couns	el	Thomas Roanhouse Robert Grove
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1 Resolution No. 2015-94 Page Two 2 3 456789 The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby: Approved: X Vetoed: 10 Date 11 12 13 Jonathan Delagrave, County Executi 14 15 16 17 18

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#### **INFORMATION ONLY**

WHEREAS, assembly bill 90 reorganizes each chapter of the criminal code procedure;

WHEREAS, the attorney general has expressed concern regarding the expedited discovery provisions that remain in the bill, the lack of adoption technology innovations such as electronic signatures, electronic filing and electronic discovery, and changes to the subpoena process that expand the ability to obtain private documents from crime victims and third parties which could include victim service agencies; and

WHEREAS, the expansion of the subpoena process could subject victims to uncontrolled access into their private records, such as treatment and health care records. The burden would be on the victim or other third parties to take legal action to protect their privacy.

# RESOLUTION NO.: 117-2015-16

# TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

	LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: MAJORITY			
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Under current law, there is a discrepancy in how marriage licenses and domestic partnership licenses are administered. Legislation has been proposed that will make changes so that both licenses can be issued following the same guidelines and fees. The proposal also addresses information that is statutorily required to be distributed with any marriage license application. The current pamphlet has not been updated in many years and does not contain newer issues of concern.			
8	NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Finance Committee recommend adoption			
9	of the following resolution.			
10	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does support proposed			
11	legislation to make the guidelines and fees for issuing a marriage license and a domestic partnership			
12	license the same and allows updates to information that is statutorily required to be distributed with any			
13	marriage license application as well as the way the information can be distributed, and			
14	BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy			
15	of this resolution to all Wisconsin counties, and the Outagamie County Lobbyist for distribution to the			
16	Legislature and Governor.			
17	Dated this 4th day of December, 2015			
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# State of Misconsin 2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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## 2015 BILL

- 1 AN ACT to amend 46.03 (34), 765.12 (1) (a), 770.07 (1) (b) 2., 770.07 (2) and 770.10
- 2 of the statutes; relating to: declarations of domestic partnership and marriage
- 3 licenses.

#### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill increases the maximum fee a county clerk may charge for issuing a declaration of domestic partnership less than five days after receiving an application; requires that individuals who apply for a declaration of domestic partnership complete and file the declaration within 30 days after the clerk issues the declaration; and requires that a clerk, when issuing a marriage license or declaration of domestic partnership, provide information, instead of a pamphlet, describing the causes and effects of fetal alcohol syndrome and the dangers to a fetus from the mother's use of drugs during pregnancy.

Under current law, a county clerk generally may not issue a declaration of domestic partnership until at least five days after the clerk receives the application for the declaration of domestic partnership. However, at his or her discretion, the clerk may issue a declaration of domestic partnership less than five days after the application if the applicant pays an additional fee of not more than \$10 to cover any increased processing cost incurred by the county. This bill increases the maximum additional fee allowed for this discretionary service from \$10 to \$25.

In order to form the legal status of domestic partners, under current law, individuals are required to complete the declaration of domestic partnership, sign the declaration, have the signatures acknowledged before a notary, and submit the

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declaration to the register of deeds. The bill requires that these steps be taken within 30 days after the clerk issues the declaration of domestic partnership.

Finally, when a county clerk issues either a marriage license or a declaration of domestic partnership under current law, he or she must provide a pamphlet describing the causes and effects of fetal alcohol syndrome and the dangers to a fetus from the mother's use of drugs during pregnancy. This bill requires the clerk to provide information describing the causes and effects of fetal alcohol syndrome and the dangers to a fetus from the mother's use of drugs during pregnancy rather than specifying that the clerk provide a physical pamphlet with that information.

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. 46.03 (34) of the statutes is amended to read:

46.03 (34) FETAL ALCOHOL SYNDROME AND DRUG DANGER PAMPHLETS INFORMATION

The department shall acquire, without cost if possible, pamphlets information that describe describes the causes and effects of fetal alcohol syndrome and the dangers to a fetus of from the mother's use of cocaine or other drugs during pregnancy and shall distribute the pamphlets information free of charge to each county clerk in sufficient quantities so that each county clerk may provide pamphlets information to marriage license applicants under s. 765.12 (1) (a) and domestic partnership applicants under s. 779.07 (2).

SECTION 2. 765.12 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

765.12 (1) (a) If ss. 765.02, 765.05, 765.08, and 765.09 are complied with, and if there is no prohibition against or legal objection to the marriage, the county clerk shall issue a marriage license. With each marriage license the county clerk shall provide a pamphlet information describing the causes and effects of fetal alcohol syndrome and the dangers to a fetus from the mother's use of cocaine or other drugs during pregnancy.

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SECTION 3. 770.07 (1) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

770.07 (1) (b) 2. The county clerk may, at his or her discretion, issue a declaration of domestic partnership less than 5 days after application if the applicant pays an additional fee of not more than \$10 \$25 to cover any increased processing cost incurred by the county. The county clerk shall pay this fee into the county treasury.

Section 4. 770.07 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

770.07 (2) If sub. (1) and s. 770.05 are complied with, the county clerk shall issue a declaration of domestic partnership. With each declaration of domestic partnership the county clerk shall provide a pamphlet information describing the causes and effects of fetal alcohol syndrome and the dangers to a fetus from the mother's use of cocaine or other drugs during pregnancy. After the application for the declaration of domestic partnership is filed, the clerk shall, upon the sworn statement of either of the applicants, correct any erroneous, false, or insufficient statement in the application that comes to the clerk's attention and shall notify the other applicant of the correction, as soon as reasonably possible.

Section 5. 770.10 of the statutes is amended to read:

570.10 Completion and filing of declaration. In order to form the legal status of domestic partners, the individuals shall, within 30 days after the clerk issues a declaration of domestic partnership under s. 770.07 (2), complete the declaration of domestic partnership, sign the declaration, having their signatures acknowledged before a notary, and submit the declaration to the register of deeds of the county in which they reside. The register of deeds shall record the declaration and forward the original to the state registrar of vital statistics.

SECTION 6. Initial applicability.

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1	(1) The treatment of sections 765.12 (1) (a), 770.07 (1) (b) 2.	, and 770.07 (2) of
2	the statutes first applies to applications filed on the effective date of	on this subsection.
3	(2) The treatment of section 770,10 of the statutes first appli	ies to declarations
1	of domestic partnership issued on the effective date of this subsec	ction.
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# RESOLUTION NO.: 118-2015-16

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

	LADIES AND GENTLEMEN: MAJORITY				
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Legislation has been proposed which will compromise child welfare best practice. The most significant issue with the proposals is law enforcement involvement in all child welfare cases. The proposed legislation is in sharp contrast to evidence-based practice and creates issues with jurisdiction and confidentiality. The proposals could negatively impact alternative responses such as community and other voluntary services. Additionally, it does not take into consideration the philosophical differences between law enforcement and child welfare agencies.				
9	NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Health and Human Services Committee	e			
10	recommend adoption of the following resolution.				
11	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does oppose proposed	d			
12	legislation relating to the referral of cases of suspected or threatened child abuse or neglect to the sherif	Ť			
13	or police department, coordination of the investigation of those cases and referral of those cases to the	е			
14	district attorney for criminal prosecution, and				
15	BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy				
16	of this resolution to the Outagamie County Health and Human Services Director, the Outagamie County				
17	Executive, all Wisconsin counties, and the Outagamie County Lobbyist who will distribute to the				
18	Legislature and Governor.				
19	Dated this day of December 2015				
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# OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 326/ASSEMBLY BILL 429 AFFECTING CHILD WELFARE PRACTICE

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 326/Assembly Bill 429 have been introduced by Senator Robert Cowles and Representative John Macco; and

WHEREAS, the bills relate to the referral of cases of suspected or threatened child abuse or neglect to the sheriff or police department, coordination of the investigation of those cases, and referral of those cases to the district attorney for criminal prosecution; and

WHEREAS, the bills, on their face, might seem favorable, the bills actually compromise child welfare best practice; and

WHEREAS, even though the legislation impacts child welfare practice, the state Department of Children and Families, Office of Children's Mental Health, county child welfare agencies, and child advocacy organizations were not consulted on the legislation; and

WHEREAS, issues with the legislation include the following:

- Law enforcement involvement in all child welfare cases negatively impacts alternative response, community response, and other voluntary services provided to families;
- The legislation is in sharp contrast to evidence-based practice, including trauma- informed care;
- The legislation requires child welfare agencies to "coordinate in the planning and execution of the investigation" in all cases, including screened out cases in which the child welfare agency lacks statutory authority to act;
- The bills require all reports to be referred to law enforcement within 12 hours, allowing for no prioritization of cases;
- The implementation of the legislation has not been thought through, especially
  when it comes to confidentiality, jurisdictional issues, and the philosophical
  differences between law enforcement and child welfare agencies; and

WHEREAS, counties and law enforcement in most jurisdictions have a positive working relationship and have entered into Memorandums of Understanding with regard to how local agencies will respond to reports of child abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, counties have requested that the proponents of the legislation bring all parties impacted by the legislation together so all gain an understanding of the others' needs; and

WHEREAS, counties believe a compromise on the legislation can be negotiated; however, such a meeting has yet to take place.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the XXXXXX County Board of Supervisors does hereby oppose Senate Bill 326/Assembly Bill 429; and

BE IT FURTITER RESOLVED that XXXXXX County renews the request for a meeting of all interested parties to discuss the legislation in greater detail.