

WI Dept of Revenue | State and Local Finance Division Wisconsin Municipal Treasurers Association | September 22, 2023

Presenter

Director, Local Government Services Bureau Sara.Regenauer@wisconsin.gov



Agenda

- Act 12 − updates



Act 12

Updates from 2023 Wisconsin Act 12



Personal Property Exemption

- ▷ Effective January 1, 2024
- Exempts personal property from taxation beginning with assessments as of January 1, 2024
- Maintains personal property assessment and taxation laws for:
 - o 2023 personal property tax collections during 2024
 - o 2023 personal property error corrections on the 2024 assessment roll
 - o Assessment of omitted personal property from the 2022 and 2023
 - On the 2024 assessment roll or
 - Omitted from 2023 and on the 2025 assessment roll



Personal Property Exemption

- Establishes a process for municipalities to request DOR adjust the base values of Tax Incremental Districts (TIDs) for personal property
- Provides a process for manufacturing establishments that do not own real property in this state to continue claiming the manufacturing income tax credit
- Moves the airline hub exemption from Ch 70 to Ch 76
- Creates aid payments to taxing jurisdictions for the loss of property tax revenue



Personal Property Repeal – Contact Info

- ▶ Property assessment bapdor@wisconsin.gov
- ▶ Manufacturing
 - o Income tax credit DORFranchise@wisconsin.gov
 - o Property assessment contact the district office where the property is located
- □ Airlines, railroads, telecommunications and utilities utility@wisconsin.gov
- ▷ Aid payments, local government finance lgs@wisconsin.gov
- ➤ Tax incremental finance (TIF) tif@wisconsin.gov



Shared Revenue Programs

- ▷ Effective dates vary
- Creates Local government aid fund
- County and municipal aid
 - o 2024 receive aid payment equal to 2012 payment
 - o 2025 and after payment is amount credited to local government fund multiplied by proportion of total aid received in 2024
- ▷ Supplemental aid
 - o Law enforcement, fire protection, EMS, emergency response communications, public works, courts, transportation



Shared Revenue Programs

- Expenditure restraint
 - O State or federal grants for law enforcement, fire protection, emergency medical services
 - o Sales tax revenues under 77.701
 - o Innovation grant payments under 79.038
- > Other provisions
 - o Repeals payments to local governments for medical care transportation services
 - o County and municipal payments are reduced by 15% if don't maintain a level of law enforcement, fire protection and emergency medical service
- Questions contact lgs@wisconsin.gov



Levy Limits

- ▷ Effective dates vary
- > Transfer of service
 - O Levy limit adjustment applies only if county and governmental unit file a notice of service transfer with DOR
- > TID calculation
 - o Growth is a factor in annual levy increases



Maintenance of Effort

- Effective date − July 1, 2024
- New reporting requirement
 ■

 Output

 Description

 Descrip
 - O Requires political subdivision to certify to DOR they are maintaining a level of law enforcement and fire and emergency medical services that is at least equivalent to previous year
- New shared revenue penalty
 - o Aid reduced by 15% if requirement not satisfied
- □ Questions contact lgs@wisconsin.gov



Innovation Grants

- Effective date − July 1, 2024
- > Two new grant programs
 - o Innovation grant transfer certain services to a county, municipality, non-profit organization, or private entity. Plan must project savings of at least 10% of the cost to provide the service.
 - o Innovation planning grant municipalities with a pop. of 5,000 or less may apply
- - o Public safety, fire protection, emergency services, courts, jails, training, communications, information technology, administration, public works, economic development, tourism, public health, housing, planning, zoning, parks and recreation



Innovation Grants

- > Transfer agreement or contract requirements
 - o Services/duties to be transferred
 - o Minimum period required
 - o Cost of performing services or duties
- ▶ Payments timing
- No county or municipality may receive more than \$10 million per year
- Cost savings requirement
- □ Questions contact lgs@wisconsin.gov



Local Government Laws – Misc. Changes

- Tax incremental finance TID annual report; TID section exception
- ▶ New DOR report local government financial information
- Projects funded by Warren Knowles-Gaylord Nelson Stewardship 2000 Program
- Local regulation of non-metallic quarries

- No preference in hiring



WI Act 19

Biennial Budget Bill



Shared Revenue Programs

- ∇arious appropriations local government fund accounts
 - o County and municipal aid
 - o Expenditure restraint
 - o Tax exempt property
 - o Personal property tax exemption
 - o Repeal of personal property taxes
- Questions contact <u>lgs@wisconsin.gov</u>

- o Video service provider fee
- o Municipal services (DOA)
- o Supplemental county and municipal aid
- o Innovation grants
- o Community youth and family aids



School Levy Property Tax Credit

- Creates sec. 79.10(7m)1.a. Wis. Stats.
- ▷ Effective date day after publication
- Additional May 2024 distribution
- Change to settlement dates
- □ Questions contact lgs@wisconsin.gov



Local Government – Misc. Changes

- Effective date − July 1, 2024
- ▶ Levy limits
- Utility aid payments
- Compensation to counties and municipalities impacted by 2022 federal court decision on taxation of tribal property
- > Property assessment
- □ Questions contact lgs@wisconsin.gov







- WI Act 12 Information − DOR overview/summary of act
- Municipal Filing Timeline & Resources revenue.wi.gov/Documents/muni-filing-timeline-resources.pdf
- ▶ Form instructions revenue.wi.gov/DORForms/munillinst.pdf
- Common questions revenue.wi.gov/Pages/FAQS/slf-levy.aspx
- Exceeding levy limits by referendum or resolution revenue.wi.gov/SLFReportscotvc/exceeding-levy-limits-fact-sheet



- DOR website revenue.wi.gov
- Online videos see DOR Video Center
 - o Select "Govt" tab
 - o Ex: MyDORGov, TIF, assessment topics (frac sand, use-value)
- > Annual calendar revenue.wi.gov/DORReports/tvccal.pdf
- State and Local Finance Newsletter − April 2023 revenue.wi.gov/DOR%20Publications/SLFNewsletter-Apr23.pdf





Email updates

- Stay informed!
 - O Receive email updates about law changes, filing reminders, updated reports and notifications
- > To subscribe
 - Municipal officials revenue.wi.gov/Pages/HTML/lists.aspx
 - o County officials email: otas@wisconsin.gov

Contact us

Local Government Services Bureau – <u>lgs@wisconsin.gov</u>





Mission

Strengthen Wisconsin through fair tax and lottery administration, while educating and serving the public, our customers and communities.

Vision

To be the premier agency in providing innovative, accessible resources, and exceptional customer service built on a foundation of trust, inclusivity and creativity.

Values

- Integrity
- Innovation
- Inclusivity

- Knowledge
- Empathy
- Security

Thanks! Any questions?





Take Survey

Click link or scan QR code

- □ QR code



