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Mr. Mark D. O'Connell, Executive Director
Wisconsin Counties Association
22 East Mifflin Street, Suite 900
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

I, Wendy M. Christensen, County Clerk in and for the County of Racine, State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2015-94 adopted by the Racine County Board of Supervisors on January 12, 2016.

The Racine County Board of Supervisors respectfully requests your written response stating your views on the attached resolution.

Wendy M. Christensen
Racine County Clerk

County Seal

December 15, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-94

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

2nd Reading 1-12-16

BOARD ACTION

Adopted yes
For
Against
Absent

Government Services Committee

[Signature of Pamela Zenner-Richards]

Pamela Zenner-Richards, Chairman

[Signature of Ronald Molnar]
Ronald Molnar, Vice-Chairman

[Signature of John A. Wisch]
John A. Wisch, Secretary

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1 Resolution No. 2015-94

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5 The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of
6 Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

7 Approved: _____

8 Vetoed: _____

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10 Date: _____

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14 Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive

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18 **INFORMATION ONLY**

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

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

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