

RESOLUTION # 71-17

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FEDERAL DEDUCTION FOR STATE AND LOCAL TAXES (SALT) BE MAINTAINED IN ITS ENTIRETY

WHEREAS, many Wisconsin residents pay state and local property taxes and claim the state and local tax deduction (SALT) on their federal income tax returns; and

WHEREAS, there currently are a variety of proposals on the table to restrict, limit or modify the deduction for SALT; and

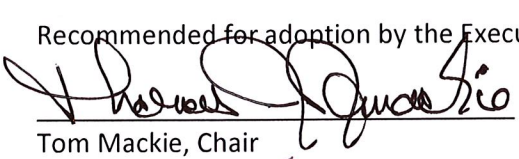
WHEREAS, SALT has been a fixture of the federal tax code and our nation's federalism for more than 100 years to guard against double taxation of households and protect the fiscal integrity of state and local governments, and it should remain in the tax code without limitation; and

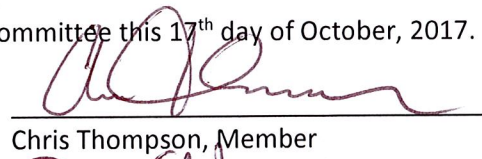
WHEREAS, any limitations, restrictions or changes to SALT could lead to a tax increase for more than 30 percent of Wisconsin taxpayers with a potential loss across the state of about \$10 billion that Wisconsin taxpayers would no longer be allowed to deduct from their federal tax returns. This would unfairly affect the disposable income of Wisconsin taxpayers and will negatively impact spending at small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the elimination of SALT nationwide is estimate to generate \$1.3 trillion in federal revenue taken from 44 million households. Thus, any compromise and anything less than preserving the full deduction is sure to cause millions of taxpayers to pay higher taxes and potentially undermine funding for state and local governments at a time when state and local budgets have already been negatively impacted by spending caps.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Washburn County firmly stands for the preservation of the full deduction for state and local taxes and recommends that this resolution be forwarded to the Wisconsin Counties Association and Congressional Representative Sean Duffy to request that the federal deduction for state and local taxes be maintained in its entirety.

Recommended for adoption by the Executive Committee this 17th day of October, 2017.


Tom Mackie, Chair


Chris Thompson, Member


Tom Ricci, 1st Vice Chair


Steve Waggoner, Member


Beth Esser, 2nd Vice Chair

Motion: Olsford Second: Hoepfner
(Voice) (Roll)-vote: Yes No

I, Lolita Olson, as County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the County of Washburn at the meeting held on: 10/17/17
