



Resolution Number: 2023-02-01

Motion to Adopt By: Jeanne Nutter

Seconded By: David Orsch

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REQUEST STATE REVISE THE CURRENT REAL ESTATE TRANSFER FEES REVENUE SHARING FORMULA

Dist.	Supervisor	Y	N	A
1	Turner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Klein	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Sacia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Severson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Todd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Fritsch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	Adams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	Miller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	Orsch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Aasen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	Waldera	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Baecker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	Schreiner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	Nelson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	Larson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	Nutter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	TOTALS	17	0	0

WHEREAS, the collection of a real estate transfer fee by counties was mandated by the State of Wisconsin in 1969, and included a requirement that counties remit 50% of all transfer fees collected to the State; and

WHEREAS, in 1981 the State changed the transfer fee formula to require counties to remit 80% of all transfer fees collected to the State; and

WHEREAS, the County, through the Register of Deeds Office, assumes the annual operating costs of recording all real estate transfers occurring in each county, including the collection of real estate transfer fees; and

WHEREAS, Trempealeau County real estate transfer fee collections over the past 6 years totaled \$ 2,316,946.12 of which the County retained \$ 463,389.22 and \$ 1,853,556.90 was remitted to the State; and

WHEREAS, using a 50/50 split, the County's share of fees collected on local real estate transfers during that same 6-year period would have provided an additional \$ 549,809.51 in support of local government; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 the State of Wisconsin has built up a budget surplus over 7 billion dollars, while many Wisconsin counties continue to struggle financially due to the ever-increasing costs of providing county government services in an inflationary economy and providing services for increasing unfunded State mandated programs along with the financial restrictions imposed by State imposed levy limits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors that in an effort to assist all Wisconsin counties, the State of Wisconsin revise the real estate transfer fee share formula to again allow Wisconsin counties to retain 50% of all real estate transfer fees collected, with 50% to be remitted to the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to governor Tony Evers, all members of the State Legislature representing Trempealeau County, the Wisconsin Counties Association, and all other Wisconsin Counties
Introduced by: Executive & Finance Committee

David Larson ___/S/_____ John Aasen ___/S/_____

Richard Sacia ___/S/_____ David Orsch ___/S/_____

Bridgette Turner ___/S/_____

First Reading: 2/20/2023

Vote Required: Voice Vote

Adopted

Defeated

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
)s.s.
CO. OF TREMPLEALEAU)

I hereby certify that this resolution /ordinance is a true and correct copy of a resolution/ordinance adopted by the Trempealeau County Board of Supervisors on: 2/20/2023

Paul L. Syverson, County Clerk

Committee Approval Date: 2/06/2023 Committee Vote: 5 - 0

Resolution Drafted by: Rose Ottum Reviewed by Corporation Counsel: January 3, 2023

Fiscal Impact: An additional \$ 520,754.65 in revenues would have been received