



**Wisconsin
County Code
Administrators**

May 17, 2007

Representative Mark Gottlieb
Chairperson – Committee on Urban and Local Affairs
Room 309 North, State Capitol
P.O. Box 8952
Madison, WI 53708

RE: AB Bill 341 relating to imposing fees for acquiring public park land, dedicating storm water treatment facilities to the public, changing the time relating to when impact fees must be paid and used, and regulating the costs of certain professional services provided through a political subdivision.

Dear Representative Mark Gottlieb:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Wisconsin County Code Administrators (WCCA). WCCA is an association of county planning, zoning and sanitary code officials throughout the State of Wisconsin who are responsible for administering many land use and environmental health regulations.

WCCA supports Assembly Bill 341 with the modification that counties be added to Chapter 66.0617(e).

Public open spaces are essential to the quality of life, health and wellness for citizens living within State of Wisconsin. Collecting fees from new development for parks decreases the burden on tax payers for new parks, in addition to further development and maintenance of existing parks. Furthermore, the modification to add counties to chapter 66.0617(e), insures that municipalities do not have to burden the expenses of new development.

WCCA respectfully requests the Committee on Urban and Local to support the passage of this bill with our requested modification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle J. Staff". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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