

December 21, 2007

Senator Mark Miller
Room 409 South
State Capitol
P.O. Box 7882
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Senator Mark Miller,

As chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Wisconsin County Code Administrators (WCCA), I would like to submit the following comments and position on Assembly Bill 532 which is held in the Committee on Environment and Natural Resource. The WCCA is an association of county zoning administrators and sanitary inspectors who are: responsible for the administration and enforcement of county land regulations, which include zoning codes (floodplain, wetland, shoreland, etc.), private sewage system codes, and land division codes; and administrate mandatory state rules such sanitary regulations (i.e. Administrative Code Comm 83-85).

Our association is opposed to AB532 as written. We recommend that this bill be revised to require counties to have ethics code policies to address this issue. We also recommend that in the absence of an ethic code, that a state entity be created to hear complaints regarding any county employee.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at (920) 674-8638.

Sincerely,

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