



# City of West Allis

## Legislation Text

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Resolution calling on the Wisconsin State Legislature to pass a state budget retaining the 2% increase in shared revenue funding.

WHEREAS, for over ninety years the state shared revenue program has been a key component of Wisconsin's state and local relationship and an important part of the state's overall program of property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, over the last 18 years shared revenue funding for municipalities has been cut by \$94 million; and

WHEREAS, to create and maintain quality communities that attract businesses and families, municipalities must invest in services and infrastructure that people and businesses expect, like police protection, fire suppression, road maintenance, snowplowing, libraries and parks; and

WHEREAS, the state should reinvest a portion of its sales and income tax revenue growth in local communities to spur further economic growth and make Wisconsin communities places where people want to live and work; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tony Evers recommends as part of his state budget proposal, AB 56/SB 59, a two percent (\$15 million) increase in shared revenue funding to take effect in 2020; and

WHEREAS, under the Governor's proposal, each municipality would receive in 2020 a 2 percent (2%) increase over the amount it received in 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of West that the City of West Allis, as a member of the League of Wisconsin Municipalities, calls on the Legislature to pass a state budget retaining the 2% increase in shared revenue funding and directs the Clerk to send a copy of this resolution to the state legislators representing the City of West Allis, to Governor Tony Evers, and to the League.

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