

Gov. Evers Takes Action on Six Bills

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Governor signs 5, vetoes 1 bill on Wednesday.

MADISON - Gov. Tony Evers today took action on the following bills in addition to actions on bills announced earlier today:

[Assembly Bill 73](#) , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 28:

- Ends the collection of sales tax on behalf of the Southeast Wisconsin Professional Baseball District on or before August 31, 2020;
- Specifies that the district may not incur any new obligations if the obligation cannot be paid once the sales and use tax is no longer collected;
- Directs excess tax collections be distributed to the counties comprising the District based on county population;
- Specifies each county must use any excess collection revenues for property tax relief, public safety, parks and recreation, or economic development; and
- Requires the Legislative Audit Bureau to conduct a financial audit of the district if the district reports that it will not have sufficient revenues to meet its obligations by the termination of the sales tax.

[Assembly Bill 58](#) , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 29:

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- Allows a plaintiff to serve a government entity via hand-delivered personal service, in addition to certified mail.

Assembly Bill 59 , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 30:

- Allows attorneys to communicate with clients and other attorneys with consent via e-mail.

Assembly Bill 17 , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 31:

- Establishes a 5-year minimum sentence for an OWI homicide; and
- Creates an exemption to that minimum, if the court finds a compelling reason to sentence an individual to less than 5 years and details that reasoning in public record.

Assembly Bill 112 , now 2019 Wisconsin Act 32:

- Expands the definition of a newspaper to include the Washington Island Observer, which is the only newspaper published on Washington Island, therefore allowing the newspaper to receive compensation for the publication of legal notices.

Gov. Evers today also vetoed Assembly Bill 76 . Veto message [here](#) .