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Allouez to be Reimbursed for Law Enforcement Services Related to GBCI

MADISON— Senator Robert Cowles (R-Green Bay) released the following statement after the Joint Committee on Finance accepted a motion authored by Senator Cowles that would provide \$60,000 per year to Allouez to offset costs by the Village for police services rendered to the Green Bay Correctional Institution (GBCI):

“Most correctional institutions in Wisconsin have expenses for law enforcement services rendered by the community’s law enforcement to the correctional institution reimbursed. But since Allouez is a village, it’s not required to have its own police force so it contracts with Brown County Sheriff’s Office for law enforcement services. Costs related to law enforcement services by Allouez to GBCI account for nearly 40% of all investigative calls in the Village, but the expenses are not reimbursed by the state under current law.

“This puts a severe strain on the Village of Allouez’s budget which is required to pay for the expenses relating to these calls. After working with JFC members to show them how this unfair burden is uniquely impacting Allouez’s budget, the Finance members agreed to this common-sense motion. I’m glad to see that we’ll be able to reimburse law enforcement expenses related to GBCI calls and that Allouez will have more flexibility moving forward.”

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