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## Senate Bill 569 & 570

Thank you colleagues of the Senate Committee on Government Operations and Consumer Protection for considering my testimony in favor of Senate Bills 569 & 570. These bills are primarily technical fixes requested by the Department of Administration.

SB 569 bill modernizes and provides consistency in the statutory language regarding municipalities filing certain documents with the state. It creates in statute one place for local governments to file municipal records, which is with the Secretary of Administration. The 2015-2017 biennial budget changed where local units of government are required to file certain information and documents from the office of the Secretary of State to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Administration. Some related statutory references were not included in the budget. SB 569 would modify those statutes so filing requirements were consistent throughout the statutes.

SB 569 also includes statutory language updates, changing the word “plat” to “scale map,” as has been requested by stakeholders. The bill reduces the number of copies for certain documents that must be provided to DOA from multiple copies to one copy. Finally, the bill deletes the population requirement in the statute so the noticing and filing requirements consistently apply to all annexations.

SB 570 eliminates a burdensome mandate on many Wisconsin government agencies. Current law requires 11 departments and agencies, to create plans to integrate land information and submit the plans to DOA. DOA has been unable to integrate the land information plans submitted by other agencies into a product of value for other state agencies and the public. Each agency has developed their own method for creating these plans, adding additional difficulty for DOA to integrate these plans.

SB 570 removes the requirement for state agencies to submit land information plans to DOA. By eliminating this section of the statutes, DOA staff will be able to focus on the digital parcel map and other duties as determined by law. Further, many state agency representatives have requested that this responsibility be removed from statutes.

I'd be happy to answer any questions you have. DOA will be testifying later on these bills and may be the best party to answer technical questions. Thank you.



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Senate Bill 569: changing the responsibility for distributing and receiving certain documents from the secretary of state to the secretary of administration and hanging certain notice requirements related to annexations.

Testimony of State Representative Tyler Vorpapel  
Committee on Government Operations and Consumer Protection  
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Thank you Chairman Stroebel and committee members of Government Operations and Consumer Protection for hearing Senate Bill 569 (SB 569). During the 2015-2017 budget the legislature changed where local units of government were required to file certain information and documents from the Secretary of State to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Administration. During that transition there were some statutory references were not included. This bill simply modifies the statutes to reflect that.

This bill was brought to us by the Department of Administration in an effort to streamline the process. Currently these documents and information are being sent to the Secretary of State, only to be then sent to the Department of Administration. It is a language clean up that creates consistency in the statutes and gives local units of governments a consistency when filing such documentation.

I'd be happy to answer any questions, but I would refer any technical questions to the Department of Administration when they testify. Thank you.



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**Testimony of Department of Administration  
Senate Bill 569  
Senate Committee on Government Operations and Consumer Protections  
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Chairman Stroebel and committee members, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill 569, which was recommended by the Department of Administration to provide consistency in the statutes.

Senate Bill 569 makes numerous changes to where local governments are required to file certain municipal records. The 2015-2017 biennial budget made some changes to where local units of government are required to file certain information and documents from the office of the Secretary of State to the office of the Secretary of the Department of Administration. However, some related statutory references were not included in the budget. Senate Bill 569 modifies the remaining statutory references related to filing of certain documents in order to create consistency for local governments. Not only does this bill create consistency in statute, but it also creates a more efficient process for the local units of government.

Senate Bill 569 creates a few other changes in regards to records and annexations. The bill changes the word “plat” to “scale map” in the statutes, which has been requested by stakeholders. The bill reduces the number of copies for certain documents that must be provided to the Department from multiple copies to one copy, once again creating efficiencies for locals. Finally, the bill deletes the population requirement for the noticing and filing requirements for annexations. This provision will ensure that the noticing and filing requirements apply consistently to all annexations, regardless of population.

Overall, Senate Bill 569 streamlines the process for local units of government and ensures consistency in the statutes for all interested parties. Thank you again for the opportunity to testify in favor of this legislation. I am happy to answer any questions at this time.