



**PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 66.0426 of the statutes; **relating to:** authorizing a local  
2             government to require advance payment from a presidential or  
3             vice-presidential campaign for certain expected public event costs.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under this bill, a city, village, town, or county may require a presidential or vice-presidential campaign to pay in advance for certain costs the local government expects to incur that are directly related to a campaign event held at a public venue. The bill authorizes the local government to require the payment of its estimated costs in advance of issuing a permit to hold the event. The costs to which the bill applies are costs for police and sanitation services.

The bill also prohibits a political subdivision from issuing a campaign event permit to a presidential or vice-presidential campaign if the political subdivision has evidence that the campaign owes money to another Wisconsin political subdivision for unpaid campaign event costs.

For further information see the *local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

4             **SECTION 1.** 66.0426 of the statutes is created to read:

1           **66.0426 Prepayment of public presidential event costs. (1) DEFINITIONS.**

2           In this section:

3           (a) “Campaign event” means an event at a public venue that is sponsored or  
4           authorized by a presidential or vice-presidential campaign.

5           (b) “Political subdivision” means any city, village, town, or county.

6           (c) “Public costs” means a political subdivision’s costs for providing police and  
7           sanitation services for a campaign event.

8           **(2) EVENT COSTS.** (a) Subject to pars. (b) and (c), if a presidential or  
9           vice-presidential campaign, or a person acting on behalf of a presidential or  
10          vice-presidential campaign, applies for a permit from a political subdivision to hold  
11          a campaign event within the political subdivision, the political subdivision may  
12          require payment from the campaign, in advance of issuing the permit, for the public  
13          costs the political subdivision estimates it will incur that are directly attributable to  
14          the campaign event.

15          (b) If the amount a presidential or vice-presidential campaign pays under par.  
16          (a) exceeds the actual public costs incurred by the political subdivision, the political  
17          subdivision shall refund the difference to the campaign.

18          (c) A political subdivision may not approve a campaign event permit  
19          application described under par. (a) if the political subdivision has evidence that the  
20          presidential or vice-presidential campaign requesting the permit owes money to  
21          another political subdivision in this state for unpaid public costs.

22           **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

23           (1) This act first applies to a presidential or vice-presidential campaign that  
24           applies for a campaign event permit on the effective date of this subsection.

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(END)