

State of Wisconsin



2025 Senate Bill 310

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2025 WISCONSIN ACT

AN ACT *to renumber and amend* 323.14 (4) (b); *to create* 323.14 (4) (b) 1. of the statutes; **relating to:** time limits on local unit of government chief executive officer emergency power proclamations.

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

SECTION 1. 323.14 (4) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 323.14 (4) (b) 2. and amended to read:

323.14 (4) (b) 2. If, because of the emergency conditions, the governing body of the local unit of government is unable to meet promptly, the chief executive officer or acting chief executive officer of any local unit of government shall exercise by proclamation all of the powers conferred upon the governing body under par. (a) or s. 323.11 that appear necessary and expedient. The proclamation shall not exceed 60 days, unless the proclamation is extended by the governing body. The proclamation shall be subject to ratification, alteration, modification, extension, or repeal by the governing body

as soon as that body can meet, but the subsequent action taken by the governing body shall not affect the prior validity of the proclamation.

SECTION 2. 323.14 (4) (b) 1. of the statutes is created to read:

323.14 (4) (b) 1. In this paragraph, "chief executive officer" means any of the following:

- a. The county executive of a county, the county administrator of a county, or, in a county with an administrative coordinator, the county board chair of a county.
- b. The mayor or city manager of a city.
- c. The village president or village manager of a village.
- d. The town board chairperson of a town.
- e. A person acting as, or temporarily filling the role of, a person listed in subd. 1. a. to d.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."