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difficult task in coming up with a balanced budget while retaining sufficient funding for medicaid and other programs. The prevailing wisdom is that the UW System will face significant cuts in the next budget. We have received no information and heard no rumors regarding what funding levels for shared revenue and other municipal programs the Governor may propose.

## **League's Advisory Committee on Legislation Meets**

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Last week, the League's Advisory Committee on Legislation met for the first time this legislative session. The committee reviews legislation affecting municipalities and recommends policy positions to the League's Board of Directors.

At last week's meeting, the committee voted to retain the League's current position opposing establishing a statewide uniform policy governing the release of sex offenders into communities. The League's current policy position, as established by a resolution passed by the membership in 2011, supports retaining the ability of municipalities to adopt ordinances regulating where convicted sex offenders may locate in the community.

The Committee also voted to recommend that the League join with the City of Madison in seeking legislation clarifying that municipal owned land is exempt from adverse possession. In other action the committee voted to:

- Recommend support for the Municipal Environmental Group -Water Division's efforts to codify its proposed framework for managing frozen water laterals.
- Join with Milwaukee in supporting the creation of a grant program funded by Forestry Tax dollars to help municipalities manage trees damaged by emerald ash borer disease.
- Discussed concerns over the Wisconsin Realtors Association's idea for legislation prohibiting local time of sale requirements.

The League's Board of Directors will review the committee's recommendations at its next meeting on February 6.

## **League Staff Continues Partnership for Prosperity Road Show**

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Last week, League staff presented the League's Partnership