

Lobbying And Time Expenditures

2025-2026 Legislative Session

January-June 2025

Wisconsin Towns Association

Description Of Totals And Expenditures	Hours Communicating	Hours Other	Dollars
Lobbyists	281.65	724.75	\$124,059.96
Self-Employed Lobbyist - No Firm or Org			\$0.00
jolene Plautz	63.80	135.50	\$30,106.40
Michael J Koles	24.50	45.00	\$7,961.73
Dan Bahr	67.00	92.00	\$30,550.00
Stafford Rosenbaum LLP			\$0.00
Larry A Konopacki	6.60	23.50	\$10,943.16
Wisconsin Towns Association			\$0.00
Joseph Ruth	119.75	428.75	\$44,498.67
Comments:			
Non-Lobbyist Employees	54.00	57.00	\$0.00
Comments:			
Overhead			\$0.00
Payments to Officials²			\$0.00
Travel and Living Expenses			
a) Lobbyist Employees			\$124,059.96
b) Non-Lobbyist Employees			\$0.00
All Other Lobbying Expenses			\$5,787.69
Total Lobbying Time And Expenditures:	335.65 Hours	781.75 Hours	\$129,847.65

Allocation of Lobbying Effort	Percent
Legislative Proposals	11%
Assembly Bill 197	1 %
Assembly Bill 214	5 %
Senate Bill 215	5 %
Budget Bill Subjects	36%
Revenue: State and Local Finance	2 %
Transportation: Local Transportation Assistance	34 %
Administrative Rulemaking Proceedings	0%
Topics Not Yet Assigned A Bill Or Rule Number	24%
assessment issues	3 %
Town Law	6 %
Fire and EMS	3 %
Transportation	12 %

Minor Efforts	29%
All Other Matters	0%
Total Reported Lobbying Effort:	100%

Report Certified On: Monday, July 28, 2025

Certification and Electronic Signature

I certify I am Michael Koles and certify that the information entered and reported to the Wisconsin Ethics Commission is an accurate record of the lobbying activities of Wisconsin Towns Association.

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