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A rainstorm put a damper on the Independence Day fireworks display in Medford on Monday with many choosing to watch from under umbrellas or from their vehicles Monday night. While Medford delayed the start of their fireworks, others, such as Rib Lake postponed theirs until a later date that as of press time has not been set.

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Local governments could see shared revenue boost, but some wary of strings

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More sales tax revenues will be coming back to the county and municipalities under provisions adopted as part of the state budget process. However, local leaders are cautious about what strings may be attached to the extra funds.

On June 20, Gov. Tony Evers signed 2023 Act 12 into law which was the result of negotiations between his office, Senate Majority Leader Devin LeMahieu (R-Oostburg), and Assembly Speaker Robin Vos (R-Rochester). They reached a tentative compromise regarding shared revenue, contingent upon several provisions, including a historic investment in K-12 schools and education. Gov. Evers and Republican leaders negotiated to reach a compromise on shared revenue that includes at least a 20% increase in shared revenue to most municipalities in the state.

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County finance director Larry Brandl making a point during a county committee meeting.

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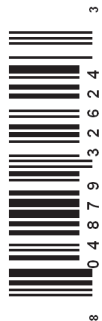
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