

Senate approves new deadline for end of Miller Park sales tax

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The state Senate today voted to put a hard deadline on ending the five-county sales tax that helped build Milwaukee's Miller Park, clearing the way for the bill to go to the gov's desk.

Under current law, the district that oversees the stadium would begin the process to end the sales tax once it's certified enough revenue has been collected. That's expected to happen in March, though it's expected to take until September to wind down collecting the tax. The excess money collected after the board's certification would go to the state.

Under the bill, the 0.1 percent sales tax in Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington and Waukesha counties would cease being collected by Aug. 31. The excess collected after the board's certification would then go back to those five counties rather than the state.