

1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 585

November 10, 1999 - Introduced by JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT to consolidate, renumber and amend** 13.83 (3) (a), (d) and (e); and **to**
2 **amend** 13.83 (3) (title), 13.83 (3) (b) (intro.), 13.83 (3) (b) 1., 13.83 (3) (c) (intro.),
3 13.83 (3) (c) 1., 13.83 (3) (f) (intro.) and 165.90 (5) (c) of the statutes; **relating**
4 **to:** the American Indian study committee.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill is explained in the NOTES provided by the joint legislative council in the bill.

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

PREFATORY NOTE: This bill was developed by the American Indian study committee (AISC). The joint legislative council (JLC) is required to create the AISC in each biennium and the AISC is charged to study the problems of American Indians and American Indian tribes in this state in various subject areas and to develop specific recommendations and legislative proposals for the JLC in these areas. [s. 13.83 (3), stats.]

The AISC consists of the following members appointed by the JLC:

1. Six members selected from names submitted by the American Indian tribes and bands in this state or the Great Lakes inter-tribal council (GLITC).
2. Eight legislator members of the senate and assembly, including at least one member of the majority party and one member of the minority party from each house.

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This bill changes the name of the AISC to the special committee on state-tribal relations. It also increases the number of members that the JLC may appoint on the basis of the recommendations of American Indian tribes and bands and the GLITC, directing the JLC to appoint not fewer than 6 nor more than 11 such members. It prohibits the JLC from appointing more than one member based on the recommendation of any one tribe or band or the GLITC. Under this proposal, each of the 11 tribes and bands in this state could be represented on the AISC.

In addition, the bill updates the statute under which the AISC functions, consolidating the provisions of that statute and directing the committee to study “issues related to American Indians and the American Indian tribes and bands in this state”, rather than “the problems of American Indians and Indian tribes in this state”.

1 **SECTION 1.** 13.83 (3) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 13.83 **(3)** (title) ~~–AMERICAN INDIAN STUDY COMMITTEE~~ SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
3 STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS.

4 **SECTION 2.** 13.83 (3) (a), (d) and (e) of the statutes are consolidated, renumbered
5 13.83 (3) (a) and amended to read:

6 13.83 **(3)** (a) The joint legislative council shall, in each biennium, create an
7 ~~American Indian study committee to study the problems and develop specific~~
8 ~~recommendations and legislative proposals relating to American Indians and the~~
9 ~~various Indian tribes in this state. (d) a special committee on state-tribal relations.~~
10 The special committee shall study the ~~problems of~~ issues related to American
11 Indians and the American Indian tribes and bands in this state ~~in such fields as~~
12 ~~taxation, public welfare, education, highways and law enforcement. (e) and develop~~
13 specific recommendations and legislative proposals relating to these issues. The
14 special committee shall ~~report, from time to time, report~~ its findings and its
15 legislative and other recommendations to the joint legislative council.

16 **SECTION 3.** 13.83 (3) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 13.83 **(3)** (b) (intro.) The special committee shall be composed of the following:

18 **SECTION 4.** 13.83 (3) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

