



State of Wisconsin
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**SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2011 SENATE BILL 499**

March 14, 2012 - Offered by Senators COWLES and LAZICH.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 84.01 (13) of the statutes; **relating to:** the engagement of
2 engineering and similar services by the Department of Transportation.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 84.01 (13) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 84.01 (13) ENGINEERING SERVICES. The department may engage such
5 engineering, consulting, surveying, or other specialized services as it deems
6 advisable. Any engagement of services under this subsection is exempt from ss.
7 16.70 to 16.75, 16.755 to 16.82, and 16.85 to 16.89, but ss. 16.528, 16.752, 16.753, and
8 16.754 apply to such engagement. Any engagement involving an expenditure of
9 \$3,000 or more shall be by formal contract approved by the governor. The department
10 shall conduct a uniform cost-benefit analysis, as defined in s. 16.70 (3g), of each
11 proposed engagement under this subsection that involves an estimated expenditure

1 of more than ~~\$25,000~~ \$300,000 in accordance with standards prescribed by rule of
2 the department, except when the proposed engagement is for services for which the
3 department does not have the expertise necessary to perform the services at a high
4 level of quality. The department shall review periodically, and before any renewal,
5 the continued appropriateness of contracting pursuant to each engagement under
6 this subsection that involves an estimated expenditure of more than ~~\$25,000~~
7 \$300,000.

8 **SECTION 2. Initial applicability.**

9 (1) The treatment of section 84.01 (13) of the statutes first applies to
10 engagements initially entered into on the effective date of this subsection.

11 **SECTION 3. Effective date.**

12 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after
13 publication.

14 (END)