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Tim Gary:

This draft, among other things, increases funding for various forestry programs. Some of those programs are funded by the appropriation under s. 20.370 (5) (ax). Please note that under current law, the amount in that appropriation for each year of the current fiscal biennium is \$448,500. That amount is less than the total amount required to be expended in each fiscal year for the forestry and fire prevention study under s. 26.105 (\$300,000), and for logging certification scholarships under s. 26.39 (7) (\$150,000). That is, current law requires a total expenditure in each fiscal year of the biennium of \$450,000 for these two programs but there is only \$448,500 in the appropriation that funds these programs. Consequently, regardless of the increases in this draft for the other programs for which funding is being provided, there will be insufficient funds in this appropriation to fully fund these two other programs. Do you want this draft to also increase the appropriation to fully fund these two programs?

I recommend that you have Erin Probst at the Legislative Fiscal Bureau review this draft. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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