

Chapter 535

AN ACT to repeal and recreate 16.305 (3) ; and to create 16.305 (6) and 20.550 (6) of the statutes, relating to an incentive award program, a staff for the merit award board and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. 16.305 (3) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

16.305 (3) PERSONNEL, FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT. The board shall appoint, under the classified service, a secretary and such other employes as are necessary to carry out its duties. The director shall detail and assign, for the use of the board, such facilities and equipment as the board requires for the proper performance of its work. The board may request and shall receive from any state department such assistance as it requires.

SECTION 2. 16.305 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

16.305 (6) INCENTIVE AWARD PROGRAM. The board may, upon recommendation of the employing department, make special incentive awards to individuals or groups of employes within the state service for meritorious suggestions and accomplishments which promote efficiency and economy in the performance of the functions of state government. It is the intent of the legislature that this paragraph be interpreted liberally to provide incentive for improved management within the state service. Savings resulting from suggestions made under this program shall be specifically enumerated in the subsequent budget requests for the agency within which the improvement is made. Awards made under this program to individuals or groups of employes shall equal one per cent of the annual dollar savings resulting from such suggestions or accomplishments, but shall not exceed \$1,000.

SECTION 3. The appropriation under section 20.125 (1) (a) of the statutes, as affected by the laws of 1965, is increased by \$4,200 for the fiscal year 1965-66 and by \$13,900 for the fiscal year 1966-67 to provide for a secretary, clerical assistance and supporting expenses of the merit award board.

SECTION 4. At the appropriate place in the schedule in section 20.005 (2) (a) of the statutes, insert the following for the purposes indicated:

	1965-66	1966-67
<i>Miscellaneous general appropriations</i>	20.550	
Incentive awards (6)	S	

SECTION 5. 20.550 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

20.550 (6) INCENTIVE AWARDS. A sum sufficient from the respective funds from which state employes and officers salaries are paid for the payment of incentive awards to state employes under s. 16.305 (6).

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