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**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,  
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 1**

February 28, 2006 – Offered by Representatives FRISKE and FIELDS.

1 **AN ACT to create** 20.505 (1) (qm) of the statutes; **relating to:** increasing funding  
2 for low-income energy assistance and making an appropriation.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, using federal funds, the Department of Administration (department) administers a low-income energy assistance program. Eligible households receive payments to assist with the cost of home energy. Currently, payments are calculated using a benefit schedule created by the department that takes into account household income, family size, and energy costs. Current law specifies which households are eligible for low-income energy assistance, including households with an annual income that is not more than 150 percent of the federal poverty line.

This substitute amendment provides \$6,000,000 from the petroleum inspection fund in fiscal year 2005-06 for payments to households that qualify for assistance under current law.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
4 the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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**20.505 Administration, department of**

(1) SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT

(qm) Low-income energy assistance;

petroleum inspection fund      SEG      A      6,000,000      -0-

**SECTION 2.** 20.505 (1) (qm) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (qm) *Low-income energy assistance; petroleum inspection fund.*

From the petroleum inspection fund, the amounts in the schedule for low-income energy assistance under 2005 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), section 3 (1).

**SECTION 3. Nonstatutory provisions.**

(1) Notwithstanding section 16.27 (2) (a), (3), and (6) of the statutes, the department of administration may pay low-income energy assistance benefits under section 16.27 of the statutes from the appropriation account under section 20.505 (1) (qm) of the statutes, as created by this act, to a household that is eligible for low-income energy assistance under section 16.27 (5) of the statutes.

(END)