



State of Wisconsin
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Potts, BB1045 - Eliminate Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General bond requirements

FOR 2017-2019 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

JUSTICE

This bill eliminates the requirement under current law that the attorney general and the deputy attorney general post a bond when taking office.

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

SECTION 1. 19.11 (1) to (3) of the statutes are amended to read:

19.11 (1) The secretary of state, and treasurer ~~and attorney general~~ shall each furnish a bond to the state, at the time each takes and subscribes the oath of office required of that officer, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of the office, and the officer's duties as a member of the board of commissioners of public lands, and in the investment of the funds arising therefrom. The bond of each of said

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officers shall be further conditioned for the faithful performance by all persons appointed or employed by the officer in his or her office of their duties and trusts therein, and for the delivery over to the officer's successor in office, or to any person authorized by law to receive the same, of all moneys, books, records, deeds, bonds, securities and other property and effects of whatsoever nature belonging to the officer's offices.

(2) Each of said bonds shall be subject to the approval of the governor and shall be guaranteed by resident freeholders of this state, or by a surety company as provided in s. 632.17 (2). The amount of each such bond, and the number of sureties thereon if guaranteed by resident freeholders, shall be as follows: secretary of state, \$25,000, with sufficient sureties; and treasurer, \$100,000, with not less than 6 sureties; ~~and the attorney general, \$10,000, with not less than 3 sureties.~~

(3) ~~The attorney general shall renew the bond required under this section in a larger amount and with additional security, and the~~ The treasurer shall give an additional bond, when required by the governor.

SECTION 2. 165.055 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.055 (2) ~~The deputy attorney general shall give a bond to the state in the sum of \$5,000, with good and sufficient sureties, to be approved by the governor, conditioned for the faithful performance of the deputy attorney general's duties and~~ The attorney general shall be responsible for all acts of the deputy attorney general.

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