



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1950/P4
MDK:kjf

DOA:.....Sherwin, BB0335 - E-rate transfer

FOR 2019-2021 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

STATE GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC UTILITY REGULATION

1. *Broadband expansion grants*

This bill provides additional funding for the broadband expansion grant program administered by the PSC by making transfers from moneys received under a federal program for assisting schools and libraries in obtaining telecommunications services and Internet access, which is commonly known as the federal e-rate program. The bill transfers \$6,900,000 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$17,300,000 in fiscal year 2020-21. The bill also appropriates general purpose revenue for the broadband expansion grant program.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. 20.155 (3) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

20.155 (3) (a) *Broadband expansion grants; general purpose revenue.*

Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for broadband expansion grants under s. 196.504.

****NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

****NOTE: This is reconciled s. 20.155 (3) (a). This SECTION has been affected by drafts with the following LRB numbers: -1950/P1 and -2068/P1.

SECTION 2. 20.155 (3) (r) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.155 (3) (r) *Broadband expansion grants; transfers.* From the universal service fund, all moneys transferred under s. 196.218 (3) (a) 2s. a., [2015 Wisconsin Act 55](#), section [9236 \(1v\)](#), and [2017 Wisconsin Act 59](#), section [9237 \(1\)](#) and (2) (a), and 2019 Wisconsin Act ... (this act), section 9201 (1), for broadband expansion grants under s. 196.504.

****NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

****NOTE: This is reconciled s. 20.155 (3) (r). This SECTION has been affected by drafts with the following LRB numbers: -1950/P1 and -2068/P1.

SECTION 3. 196.504 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

196.504 (2) (a) To make broadband expansion grants to eligible applicants for the purpose of constructing broadband infrastructure in underserved areas designated under par. (d). Grants awarded under this section shall be paid from the appropriations under s. 20.155 (3) (a), (r), and (rm).

****NOTE: This is reconciled s. 196.504 (2) (a). This SECTION has been affected by drafts with the following LRB numbers: -1950/P1 and -2068/P1.

SECTION 9201. Fiscal changes; Administration.

(1) FEDERAL E-RATE TRANSFERS. There is transferred from the appropriation account under s. 20.505 (4) (mp) to the universal service fund \$6,900,000 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$17,300,000 in fiscal year 2020-21.

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