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<b>2003 Wisconsin Act 211</b> [2003 Assembly Bill 436]	<b>Sale or Donation of State Property by the Department of Transportation</b>
2003 Acts: <a href="http://www.legis.state.wi.us/2003/data/acts/">www.legis.state.wi.us/2003/data/acts/</a>	Act Memos: <a href="http://www.legis.state.wi.us/lc/act_memo/act_memo.htm">www.legis.state.wi.us/lc/act_memo/act_memo.htm</a>

Under **current law**, the Department of Transportation (DOT) may, with the approval of the Governor, sell at public or private sale state property that is under its jurisdiction when DOT determines that the property is not necessary for highway purposes and, if real property, is not subject to a petition for the transfer of surplus state real property to the Department of Administration. Also, in lieu of selling at public or private sale such property that is real property and that is adjacent to the Veterans Memorial Site located at The Highground in Clark County (memorial site), DOT may, with the approval of the Governor, donate the property to the Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans Memorial Project, Inc., for a memorial hall at the memorial site. However, approval of the Governor is not required if the property sold at public or private sale, or real property donated for the Memorial Hall, has a fair market value at the time of sale or donation of \$3,000 or less.

**2003 Wisconsin Act 211** increases, from \$3,000 to \$15,000, the amount of this exception authorizing DOT to sell or donate state property without the approval of the Governor. The Act also modifies DOT's authorization to sell or donate state property by limiting the sale or donation to property that is not necessary for transportation purposes rather than highway purposes.

**Effective Date:** The effective date of 2003 Wisconsin Act 211 is April 23, 2004.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents.