

TO:	MEMBERS OF THE STUDY COMMITTEE ON THE PRESERVATION OF BURIAL SITES
FROM:	Ellsworth H. Brown, Ph.D., Ruth and Hartley Barker Director
RE:	Wisconsin Historical Society Response to the Legislative Council Preliminary Draft Legislation Relating to State Acquisition of Lands Containing Burial Sites, LRB-1008/P1
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We thank the Committee for its thoughtful consideration of a financial mechanism through which the State may acquire burial sites for preservation and protection for all of the residents of Wisconsin, as proposed in the draft legislation LRB-1008/P1. We support in its entirety this proposed new provision of law numbered Wis. Stat. § 24.61 (2) (cp), and titled "Investments in lands containing burial sites."