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TO: Members
Wisconsin Legislature

FROM: Bob Lang, Director

SUBJECT: Earmark Transparency Report on 2017 Assembly Bill 64/Senate Bill 30 and the 2017-19 Capital Budget Recommendations of the Building Commission

Under section 13.95(1r) of the statutes, as created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 220, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau must prepare an earmark transparency report on each biennial budget bill and on each amendment to that bill. The attachment to this memorandum provides the required earmark transparency report for 2017 Assembly Bill 64/Senate Bill 30, the Governor's 2017-19 biennial budget, and the 2017-19 capital budget recommendations of the Building Commission.

For purposes of this report, the statutes define an earmark as a provision that does either of the following: (1) authorizes or requires the payment of state moneys to a specific beneficiary or beneficiaries in a manner not determined by laws of general applicability for the selection of the beneficiary or beneficiaries; or (2) creates or modifies a tax deduction, credit, exclusion, or exemption that applies to a specific beneficiary or beneficiaries in a manner not determined by laws of general applicability for the selection of the beneficiary or beneficiaries. The earmark transparency report must include the following elements: (1) a list of all earmarks; (2) the cost of each earmark; (3) the beneficiary of each earmark, if the Bureau can make this determination, and the Assembly and Senate district in which the beneficiary resides (for individuals) or is located (for entities); and (4) for a report on a budget amendment, the name of the legislator who proposed the earmark.

Under section 13.102 of the statutes, the Joint Committee on Finance may not vote to recommend passage of the biennial budget bill or an amendment to the bill until the required report, on either the bill or amendment, has been distributed by the Bureau to each member of the Legislature and is made available on the Legislature's website. During the Committee's budget deliberations, a motion to delete an earmark identified in this report shall prevail on either a majority or tie vote.

Section 13.39 of the statutes specifies that neither house of the Legislature may pass the biennial budget bill until the Bureau has distributed a copy of an earmark transparency report on the bill, as amended, to each member of the Legislature and has made the report available on the Legislature's website. If a conference committee is convened on the biennial budget bill, the conference report may not add any earmarks to the budget, but may reduce the cost of any existing earmarks.

The attached list includes items contained within AB64/SB 30 and the recommendations of the Building Commission which, in our review, reflect the language of 2011 Act 220. The items that are listed identify a specific, named, non-state beneficiary of the earmark. The list does not include projects or programs that would be funded for a state government purpose, such as University of Wisconsin campus facilities or state highway projects.

Included for each item are the page and item number showing where the provisions are described in the Legislative Fiscal Bureau's summaries of the Governor's budget and recommendations of the Building Commission. For each item, the cost (appropriation or authorization) of the provision, beneficiary of the provision (if determinable), and Senate and Assembly districts of the beneficiary (if determinable) are shown if the specific location of the program or project is identified.

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Attachment

Earmark Transparency Report

2017 AB 64/SB 30 and 2017-19 Capital Budget Recommendations of the Building Commission

Building Program (La Crosse Center -- Expansion and Renovation) (Page 509, #6)

2017-19 Authorization: \$5,000,000 GPR-supported bonding; \$42,000,000 grantee match

Beneficiary: The City of La Crosse and the La Crosse Center (a department of the City of La Crosse)

Senate District: 32

Assembly District: 95

Building Program (Completion of St. Ann Center -- Bucyrus Campus) (Page 510, #7)

2017-19 Authorization: \$5,000,000 GPR-supported bonding; \$20,268,200 grantee match

Beneficiary: St. Ann Center for Intergenerational Care, Inc.

Senate District: 6

Assembly District: 16

Building Program (Brown County STEM Innovation Center) (Page 511, #8)

2017-19 Authorization: \$5,000,000 GPR-supported bonding; \$10,000,000 grantee match

Beneficiary: Brown County

Senate Districts: 1, 2, and 30

Assembly Districts: 1, 2, 4, 5, 88, 89, and 90

Children and Families -- Economic Support and Child Care (Grant to Milwaukee Boys and Girls Club) (Page 109, #16)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$200,000 FED

Beneficiary: Milwaukee Boys and Girls Club

Miscellaneous Appropriations (Volkswagen Settlement) (Page 307, #5; Page 410, #3; Page 437, #3)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$26,000,000 PR (\$6.5 million PR net of 10-year GPR reduction to County's shared revenue)

Beneficiary: Milwaukee County

Senate Districts: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 28

Assembly Districts: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 82, 83, and 84

Public Instruction (Milwaukee Performance Funding) (Page 351, #12)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$5,645,200 GPR

Beneficiary: Schools located in the City of Milwaukee, including Milwaukee public schools, school district and independent charter schools, and private schools participating in the Milwaukee private school choice program

Senate Districts: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 28

Assembly Districts: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 84

Public Instruction (Milwaukee Public Schools Summer School Grant Program) (Page 352, #13)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$2,800,000 GPR

Beneficiary: Milwaukee Public Schools

Senate Districts: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 28

Assembly Districts: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 84

Public Instruction (Very Special Arts) (Page 371, #6)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$23,400 GPR (\$11,700 annual increase to \$63,300 base level funding)

Beneficiary: Very Special Arts Wisconsin

Veterans Affairs (Veterans Transportation Grant) (Page 473, #10)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$160,000 SEG

Beneficiary: Disabled American Veterans

Veterans Affairs (Grant for Camp American Legion) (Page 474, #13)

2017-19 Appropriation: \$50,000 SEG

Beneficiary: Camp American Legion

Senate District: 12

Assembly District: 34