



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 398

May 24, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives DUFF, OWENS, OLSEN, GOETSCH, HAHN, FREESE, ALBERS, AINSWORTH, LADWIG, GROTHMAN and F. LASEE, cosponsored by Senators DRZEWIECKI and FARROW. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 16.835, 16.836 (1), 18.13 (2), 18.76 (2), 71.91 (5) (i), 801.11 (3)
2 and 893.82 (5) of the statutes; **relating to:** discontinuance of a room or office
3 for the attorney general in the capitol.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Currently, the attorney general is required to keep a room in the state capitol. Various laws require documents to be served upon the attorney general at his or her office in the capitol. The joint committee on legislative organization may assign office space in the capitol that is not reserved for other uses by law. The department of administration (DOA) assigns office space outside the capitol to state officers and agencies.

This bill deletes the requirement for the attorney general to keep a room in the capitol and deletes all references to the location of the office of the attorney general. Under the bill, if the joint committee on legislative organization does not assign any office space to the attorney general in the capitol, DOA assigns other office space to the attorney general.

For further information see the *state* 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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 16.835 of the statutes is amended to read:
5 **16.835 Offices in capitol.** The office of the governor shall be located in the
6 capitol. The attorney general, lieutenant governor and supreme court shall each
7 keep a room in the capitol.

1 **SECTION 2.** 16.836 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 16.836 (1) Notwithstanding ss. 16.835, ~~18.13 (2), 18.76 (2), 71.91 (5) (i), 801.11~~
3 ~~(3), and 809.80 (1) and 893.82 (5)~~, the department, with the approval of the building
4 commission, may temporarily relocate the governor, ~~attorney general~~, lieutenant
5 governor, supreme court and the clerks of the supreme court and court of appeals
6 from the state capitol to another suitable building in the city of Madison for the
7 purpose of performing air conditioning work or other renovation work in the state
8 capitol. During the period of such relocation, any service authorized or required to
9 be made at the offices of any of the officers specified in this subsection shall be made
10 at the temporary locations of those offices.

11 **SECTION 3.** 18.13 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 18.13 (2) TO RECOVER A DEBT. If the state fails to pay any public debt in
13 accordance with its terms, an action to compel such payment may be commenced
14 against the state in accordance with s. 801.02. The plaintiff shall serve an
15 authenticated copy of the summons and complaint on the attorney general by leaving
16 the copies at the attorney general's office ~~in the capitol~~ with an assistant or clerk.
17 The place of trial of such an action shall be as provided in s. 801.50.

18 **SECTION 4.** 18.76 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 18.76 (2) TO RECOVER AN OPERATING NOTE. If the state fails to pay any operating
20 note in accordance with its terms, an action to compel such payment may be
21 commenced against the state in accordance with s. 801.02. The plaintiff shall serve
22 an authenticated copy of the summons and complaint on the attorney general by
23 leaving the copies at the attorney general's office ~~in the capitol~~ with an assistant or
24 clerk. The place of trial of such an action shall be as provided in s. 801.50.

25 **SECTION 5.** 71.91 (5) (i) of the statutes is amended to read:

