



## 1995 SENATE BILL 371

October 10, 1995 - Introduced by JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. Referred to Committee on Education and Financial Institutions.

1     **AN ACT to create** 36.09 (3) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** powers and duties of  
2             the University of Wisconsin System chancellors and granting rule-making  
3             authority.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill is explained in the NOTE provided by the joint legislative council in the bill.

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

4             **SECTION 1.** 36.09 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:  
5             36.09 (3) (c) In order to enhance community or state economic development and  
6             establish new collaborative ventures between the system and the private sector, the  
7             chancellor of the extension, the chancellor of the center system and the chancellor  
8             of each university may exercise the powers granted to the board under s. 36.11 (1)  
9             (b), subject to the limitations contained in that paragraph. The chancellor of the  
10            extension may exercise those powers only with respect to the buildings and grounds  
11            of the extension on each campus. If the building commission approves, the board may  
12            promulgate rules imposing reasonable limitations on a chancellor's authority under  
13            this paragraph.

NOTE: Present s. 36.11 (1) (b) gives the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin (UW) System the following authority to purchase, sell and otherwise control UW System property:

“36.11 (1) (b) The board may purchase, have custody of, hold, control, possess, lease, grant easements and enjoy any lands, buildings, books, records and all other property of any nature which may be necessary and required for the purposes, objects and uses of the system authorized by law, except that the board shall not permit a facility that would be privately owned or operated to be constructed on state-owned land without obtaining prior approval of the building commission under s. 13.48 (12). The board may sell or dispose of such property as provided by law, or any part thereof when in its judgment it is for the best interests of the system and the state, except that purchases and sales of real property shall be subject to the approval of the building commission.”.

This bill gives the chancellor of the UW-Extension, the UW Center System and each university, as the chief executive officer of his or her institution or campus, the same authority over UW System property as is granted to the board of regents under s. 36.11 (1) (b), but only for the purposes of enhancing community or state economic development and establishing new collaborative ventures between the UW System and the private sector. However, the chancellor of the UW-Extension may exercise these powers only with respect to buildings and grounds of the extension on each campus.

The bill also allows the board of regents, upon approval of the building commission, to promulgate administrative rules that impose reasonable limitations on a chancellor's authority to acquire, manage and dispose of UW System property.