

## 1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 690

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 20.866 (1) (u); *to repeal and recreate* 20.866 (1) (u); and *to*  
2             *create* 20.245 (3) (e), 20.866 (2) (zfm) and 44.49 of the statutes; **relating to:**  
3             authorizing the state historical society to award grants for the preservation of  
4             historic property, granting bonding authority and making appropriations.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

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

5             **SECTION 1.** 20.245 (3) (e) of the statutes is created to read:  
6             20.245 **(3)** (e) *Principal repayment, interest and rebates.* A sum sufficient to  
7             reimburse s. 20.866 (1) (u) for the payment of principal and interest costs incurred  
8             in financing the grants under s. 44.49, and to make the payments determined by the  
9             building commission under s. 13.488 (1) (m) that are attributable to the proceeds of  
10            obligations incurred in financing the grants under s. 44.49.

**ASSEMBLY BILL 690****SECTION 2**

1           **SECTION 2.** 20.866 (1) (u) of the statutes, as affected by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9,  
2 section 628, is amended to read:

3           20.866 (1) (u) *Principal repayment and interest.* A sum sufficient from moneys  
4 appropriated under sub. (2) (zp) and ss. 20.115 (2) (d) and (7) (b) and (f), 20.190 (1)  
5 (c), (d), (i) and (j), 20.225 (1) (c), 20.245 (1) (e), (2) (e) and (j), ~~(3) (e)~~, (4) (e) and (5) (e),  
6 20.250 (1) (e), 20.255 (1) (d), 20.275 (1) (er), (es), (h) and (hb), 20.285 (1) (d), (db), (fh),  
7 (ih), (kd) and (km) and (5) (i), 20.320 (1) (c) and (t) and (2) (c), 20.370 (7) (aa), (ac), (ag),  
8 (aq), (ar), (at), (au), (ba), (ca), (cb), (cc), (cd), (ce), (cf), (ea), (eq) and (er), 20.395 (6) (aq)  
9 and (ar), 20.410 (1) (e), (ec) and (ko) and (3) (e), 20.435 (2) (ee) and (6) (e), 20.465 (1)  
10 (d), 20.485 (1) (f) and (go), (3) (t) and (4) (qm), 20.505 (5) (c), (g) and (kc), 20.855 (8)  
11 (a) and 20.867 (1) (a) and (b) and (3) (a), (b), (bp), (br), (g), (h), (i) and (q) for the  
12 payment of principal and interest on public debt contracted under subchs. I and IV  
13 of ch. 18.

14           **SECTION 3.** 20.866 (1) (u) of the statutes, as affected by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9,  
15 section 628b, and 1999 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), is repealed and recreated to read:

16           20.866 (1) (u) *Principal repayment and interest.* A sum sufficient from moneys  
17 appropriated under sub. (2) (zp) and ss. 20.115 (2) (d) and (7) (b) and (f), 20.190 (1)  
18 (c), (d), (i) and (j), 20.225 (1) (c), 20.245 (1) (e), (2) (e) and (j), (3) (e), (4) (e) and (5) (e),  
19 20.250 (1) (e), 20.255 (1) (d), 20.275 (1) (er), (es), (h) and (hb), 20.285 (1) (d), (db), (fh),  
20 (ih), (kd) and (km) and (5) (i), 20.320 (1) (c) and (t) and (2) (c), 20.370 (7) (aa), (ac), (ag),  
21 (aq), (ar), (at), (ba), (ca), (cb), (cc), (cd), (ce), (cf), (ea), (eq) and (er), 20.395 (6) (aq) and  
22 (ar), 20.410 (1) (e), (ec) and (ko) and (3) (e), 20.435 (2) (ee) and (6) (e), 20.465 (1) (d),  
23 20.485 (1) (f) and (go), (3) (t) and (4) (qm), 20.505 (5) (c), (g) and (kc), 20.855 (8) (a)  
24 and 20.867 (1) (a) and (b) and (3) (a), (b), (bp), (br), (g), (h), (i) and (q) for the payment  
25 of principal and interest on public debt contracted under subchs. I and IV of ch. 18.

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1           **SECTION 4.** 20.866 (2) (zfm) of the statutes is created to read:

2           20.866 **(2)** (zfm) *Historical society; heritage trust program.* From the capital  
3 improvement fund, a sum sufficient for the historical society to award grants under  
4 s. 44.49. The state may contract public debt in an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000  
5 for this purpose. The total amount of debt authorized under this paragraph may not  
6 exceed the following amounts on the following dates:

- 7           1. Prior to July 1, 2001, \$2,000,000.
- 8           2. July 1, 2001, to June 30, 2002, \$4,000,000.
- 9           3. July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2003, \$6,000,000.
- 10          4. July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004, \$8,000,000.
- 11          5. July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2005, \$10,000,000.
- 12          6. July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006, \$12,000,000.
- 13          7. July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, \$14,000,000.
- 14          8. July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, \$16,000,000.
- 15          9. July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, \$18,000,000.
- 16          10. July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, \$20,000,000.

17           **SECTION 5.** 44.49 of the statutes is created to read:

18           **44.49 Heritage trust program. (1) PURPOSE.** The legislature determines  
19 that the provision of assistance by the state under this section and the awarding of  
20 grants to the Wisconsin Trust for Historic Preservation under this section serve a  
21 statewide public purpose by assisting in the protection, restoration and  
22 rehabilitation of property located in this state that is significant in the history,  
23 prehistory, architecture, archaeology or culture of this state, its rural and urban  
24 communities or the nation.

25           **(2) DEFINITIONS.** In this section:

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1 (a) “Local governmental unit” has the meaning given in s. 16.97 (7).

2 (b) “Trust” means the Wisconsin Trust for Historic Preservation.

3 **(3) GRANTS TO GOVERNMENTAL UNITS AND NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS.** (a) From the  
4 appropriation under s. 20.866 (2) (zfm), the state historical society shall award  
5 grants to state agencies, local governmental units and nonprofit organizations for  
6 historic preservation. A grant recipient shall provide matching funds equal to 25%  
7 of the amount of the grant, except that the state historical society may require a  
8 recipient to provide matching funds equal to a higher percentage.

9 (b) The state historical society shall ensure that all grant recipients under par.  
10 (a) comply with the standards for rehabilitation in 36 CFR 67.7.

11 (c) The state historical society may award up to \$1,000,000 in grants under par.  
12 (a) in the 2000–01 fiscal year and up to \$1,500,000 in grants under par. (a) in each  
13 of the 9 succeeding fiscal years, except that if the state historical society awards less  
14 than the maximum amount allowed in any fiscal year the maximum amount allowed  
15 in the succeeding fiscal year is increased by an amount equal to the difference  
16 between the amount awarded in the current fiscal year and the maximum amount  
17 allowed in the current fiscal year.

18 **(4) GRANTS TO THE TRUST.** (a) Subject to par. (b), the state historical society  
19 annually shall award a grant to the trust from the appropriation under s. 20.866 (2)  
20 (zfm). In the 2000–01 fiscal year, the amount of the grant shall be \$1,000,000. In  
21 each of the 9 succeeding fiscal years, the amount of the grant shall be \$500,000.

22 (b) The state historical society may award a grant under par. (a) only if the  
23 following conditions are satisfied:

24 1. The bylaws of the trust state that the purpose of the trust is to develop and  
25 support statewide initiatives promoting historic preservation and that, if the trust

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1 dissolves, the trust shall in good faith take all reasonable measures to ensure that  
2 all moneys paid to the trust under this subsection revert to the state.

3 2. The trust provides public access to any meeting held for the purpose of  
4 deliberations regarding the awarding of grants under par. (c) 1. to the same extent  
5 as is required of, and subject to the same terms and enforcement provisions that  
6 apply to, a governmental body under subch. V of ch. 19.

7 (c) The moneys received under par. (a) shall constitute an endowment fund.  
8 The trust shall use the earnings of the endowment fund for the following purposes:

9 1. To award grants to state agencies, local governmental units and nonprofit  
10 organizations for historic preservation, including historic preservation to  
11 commemorate the 200th anniversary of Wisconsin statehood. A grant recipient shall  
12 provide matching funds equal to 25% of the amount of the grant, except that the trust  
13 may require a recipient to provide matching funds equal to a higher percentage.

14 2. To temporarily acquire historic property for the purpose of historic  
15 preservation.

16 (d) The trust shall comply, and shall ensure that all grant recipients under par.

17 (c) 1. comply, with the standards for rehabilitation in 36 CFR 67.7.

18 (e) The trust shall contract with an independent certified public accountant to  
19 biennially audit the endowment fund. Within 30 days after the completion of each  
20 audit, the trust shall submit a detailed report of the audit to the governor and the  
21 joint committee on finance.

22 **(5) SUNSET.** The state historical society may not award a grant under this  
23 section after June 30, 2010.

24 **SECTION 6. Appropriation changes; historical society.**

