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It occurred to me that I left out one drafting instruction from yesterday that I had thought was purely fiscal but does involves statutory language. On Paper #657, the Committee adopted Alt. 2, which means that s. 340 of AB 133 needs to be yanked.

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Joint Committee on Finance

Paper #657

Natural Resources Magazine (DNR -- Departmentwide)

[LFB 1999-01 Budget Summary: Page 414, #12]

CURRENT LAW

The Department of Natural Resources produces a magazine containing information on resource management and related subjects. The agency's bimonthly publication, Wisconsin Natural Resources, is entirely funded from subscription, single copy and reprint sales. All moneys received from subscriptions and other revenues generated by the magazine are deposited into a continuing appropriation in the natural resources magazine account of the conservation fund to be used for its production, handling and distribution. No funding from the account is used for other bureauwide or departmentwide administration costs.

GOVERNOR

Modify the uses of the natural resources magazine appropriation to allow for expenditures for educational and informational activities related to conservation and the environment (in addition to the production, handling and distribution of the magazine). Allocate \$75,000 annually from the continuing natural resources magazine appropriation for these purposes. Also, delete \$75,000 annually from the conservation fund, split among eight accounts, from the general program operations appropriation for the Bureau of Communication and Education.

DISCUSSION POINTS

1. Under AB 133, a portion of the Department's facility rental costs that had been paid from the recycling fund (\$750,000 annually) would be shifted to eight accounts of the conservation fund (\$500,000), not including the natural resources magazine account, and the environmental fund (\$250,000). The administration indicates that a portion of the administrative costs for Bureau of

Communication and Education were proposed to be shifted from the eight conservation fund accounts from which increased rental costs would be taken to the natural resources magazine account to help reduce the impact of the rent shift on those accounts while utilizing an available balance in the magazine account.

2. Since the magazine account does not currently contribute to bureauwide or departmentwide administration costs, broadening the allowable uses of magazine account funding to communication and education operations costs could be viewed as appropriate given the increased costs proposed from other accounts that do contribute to overall departmentwide funding.

3. However, the natural resources magazine has traditionally been self-supporting operation within the Department, with the costs of producing and distributing the magazine generally supported by subscribers. Diverting subscription revenue from the magazine to other purposes could be viewed as inconsistent with the original intent of the program.

4. In addition, the amount of funding proposed from the magazine account for administration (\$75,000) covers only 15% of the \$500,000 in rental costs that are being shifted to other accounts in the conservation fund. Given the relative scope of the proposed funding, the Committee could remove this provision with minor fiscal impact on the other accounts.

5. Further, while the bill would begin to phase out funding for recycling, over \$41 million is provided for recycling expenditures in the biennium. The \$75,000 could remain for rent expenses from recycling SEG (rather than conservation fund SEG) in recognition of the administrative contribution required for ongoing recycling expenditures under the bill. AB 133 reduces annual recycling fund rent contributions from \$782,300 to \$32,300.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve the Governor's recommendation to modify the uses of the natural resources magazine appropriation to allow for expenditures for educational and informational activities related to conservation and the environment (in addition to the production, handling and distribution of the magazine) and to allocate \$75,000 annually for these purposes.

2. Delete the Governor's recommendation. Rather, restore \$75,000 annually in conservation fund SEG for the Bureau of Communication and Education and retain \$75,000 annually in rent from the recycling fund.

Alternative 2	SEG
1999-01 FUNDING (Change to Bill)	\$150,000

3. Maintain current law (the \$75,000 annually would continue to be provided to the Bureau of Communication and Education from the conservation fund).

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TO 1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 133 AND 1999 SENATE BILL 45

At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 409, line 4: delete lines 4 to 9.

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