

**BILL HISTORY FOR SENATE BILL 12 (LRB -0201 )**

An Act to create 20.155 (1) (r), 25.17 (1) (k), 25.17 (3) (dt), 25.469 and 196.497 (11s) of the statutes; relating to: escrowing certain payments to the federal government for the disposal of radioactive waste and making an appropriation. (FE)

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- 01-26. S. Introduced by Senators Cowles, Baumgart, Clausung, Wirch, Rude, Farrow, Schultz, Huelsman, Plache, A. Lasee, Roessler and Drzewiecki; cosponsored by Representatives Duff, F. Lasee, Hutchison, Ryba, Krug, Plale, Powers, Albers, Hahn, Kelso, Kedzie and Boyle.
- 01-26. S. Read first time and referred to committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform ..... 21
- 02-08. S. Fiscal estimate received.
- 05-12. S. Public hearing held.
- 05-19. S. Executive action taken.
- 05-25. S. Report introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 1 recommended by committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform, Ayes 5, Noes 0 (~~LRB a0413~~) ..... 159
- 05-25. S. Report passage as amended recommended by committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform, Ayes 5, Noes 0 ..... 159
- 05-25. S. Available for scheduling.
- 06-15. S. Read a second time ..... 179
- 06-15. S. Referred to joint committee on Finance ..... 179

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- 03-02. S. Executive action taken.
- 03-07. S. Report Senate amendment 1 adoption recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 13, Noes 0 ..... 464
- 03-07. S. Report introduction and adoption of Senate amendment 2 recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 14, Noes 0 (~~LRB a1565~~) ..... 464
- 03-07. S. Report passage as amended recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 15, Noes 0 ... 464
- 03-07. S. Available for scheduling.
- 03-07. S. Read a second time ..... 468
- 03-07. S. Senate amendment 1 adopted ..... ~~a1565~~ 468
- 03-07. S. Senate amendment 2 adopted ..... ~~a0413~~ 468
- 03-07. S. Ordered to a third reading ..... 468
- 03-07. S. Rules suspended ..... 468
- 03-07. S. Read a third time and passed, Ayes 33, Noes 0 ..... 468
- 03-07. S. Ordered immediately messaged ..... 474
- 03-09. A. Received from Senate ..... 727
- 03-09. A. Read first time and referred to committee on Rules ..... 727
- 03-15. A. Placed on calendar 3-21-2000 by committee on Rules.
- 03-21. A. Read a second time ..... 792
- 03-21. A. Ordered to a third reading ..... 792
- 03-21. A. Rules suspended ..... 792
- 03-21. A. Read a third time and concurred in, Ayes 97, Noes 0 ..... 792
- 03-21. A. Ordered immediately messaged ..... 792
- 03-23. S. Received from Assembly concurred in ..... 519

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January 26, 1999 - Introduced by Senators COWLES, BAUMGART, CLAUSING, WIRCH, RUDE, FARROW, SCHULTZ, HUELSMAN, PLACHE, A. LASEE, ROESSLER and DRZEWIECKI, cosponsored by Representatives DUFF, F. LASEE, HUTCHISON, RYBA, KRUG, PLALE, POWERS, ALBERS, HAHN, KELSO, KEDZIE and BOYLE. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform.

- 1     **AN ACT to create** 20.155 (1) (r), 25.17 (1) (k), 25.17 (3) (dt), 25.469 and 196.497  
2             (11s) of the statutes; **relating to:** escrowing certain payments to the federal  
3             government for the disposal of radioactive waste and making an appropriation.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current federal law, the secretary of the federal department of energy is authorized to enter into contracts with persons who generate, or hold title to, high-level radioactive waste or spent nuclear fuel. The contracts govern the acceptance of title, subsequent transportation and disposal of the waste or spent fuel by the federal department of energy, in return for the payment of certain specified fees to the federal department of energy. The obligation of the federal department of energy to dispose of the waste or spent fuel is required under federal law to begin not later than January 31, 1998.

Under this bill, if the public service commission (commission) determines that the federal department of energy is not meeting its obligations under these contracts with state agencies or persons in this state, the commission may direct the state agencies or persons to pay to the commission, instead of the federal department of energy, the fees that are due under the contracts for the period during which the contractual obligations are not met. The bill requires the commission to deposit any funds received under the bill in a state segregated fund, the nuclear waste escrow fund, established by the bill. Upon a showing by the secretary of the federal department of energy that the federal department of energy is meeting its obligations under the contract, the commission shall pay, to the secretary of the

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federal department of energy, all funds contained in the nuclear waste escrow fund and shall cease accepting additional funds under the bill.

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:*

1           **SECTION 1.** 20.155 (1) (r) of the statutes is created to read:

2           20.155 (1) (r) *Nuclear waste escrow fund.* From the nuclear waste escrow fund,  
3 a sum sufficient to make the payments under s. 196.497 (11s) (b).

4           **SECTION 2.** 25.17 (1) (k) of the statutes is created to read:

5           25.17 (1) (k) Nuclear waste escrow fund (s. 25.469);

6           **SECTION 3.** 25.17 (3) (dt) of the statutes is created to read:

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7           25.17 (3) (dt) ~~Invest the funds of the nuclear waste escrow fund only in~~  
8 ~~investments appropriate for an escrow fund, such as interest-bearing accounts at~~  
9 ~~federally insured banking institutions or short-term direct obligations of the U. S.~~  
10 ~~government.~~

11           **SECTION 4.** 25.469 of the statutes is created to read:

12           **25.469 Nuclear waste escrow fund.** There is established a separate  
13 nonlapsible trust fund designated as the nuclear waste escrow fund, to consist of all  
14 moneys received by the public service commission under s. 196.497 (11s) (a).

15           **SECTION 5.** 196.497 (11s) of the statutes is created to read:

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16           **196.497 (11s) ESCROWING OF CERTAIN PAYMENTS TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.** (a)  
17 If the commission determines that the federal department of energy is not meeting  
18 its obligations under contracts entered into under 42 USC 10222 with state agencies  
19 or with persons in this state, ~~the commission may~~ direct the state agencies or persons  
20 to pay to the commission, instead of the federal department of energy the fees due

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under 42 USC 10222 for the period during which those contractual obligations are not met. The commission shall deposit any funds received under this paragraph in the nuclear waste escrow fund.

(b) Upon a showing by the secretary of the federal department of energy that the federal department of energy is meeting its obligations under contracts entered into under 42 USC 10222, the commission shall pay to the secretary of the federal department of energy all funds contained in the nuclear waste escrow fund and shall cease accepting additional funds under par. (a).

(END)

**SENATE AMENDMENT 1,  
TO 1999 SENATE BILL 12**

May 25, 1999 - Offered by COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES  
AND CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 2, line 19: delete "the commission may" and substitute "the  
3 **2-19** commission, subject to par. (ab), shall".

4 **2.** Page 3, line 3: after that line insert:

5 "(ab) The commission may only direct the state agencies or persons to make the  
6 payment to the commission under par. (a) if a federal court or the federal department  
7 of energy has authorized the commission to receive the payment of the fees due under  
8 42 USC 10222".

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(END)

**SENATE AMENDMENT 2,  
TO 1999 SENATE BILL 12**

March 7, 2000 – Offered by JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 2, line 6: delete lines 6 to 10.

3 (END)