2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 9

January 16, 2001 – Introduced by Representatives Montgomery, Gard, Ryba, Ziegelbauer, Jeskewitz, Krawczyk, Townsend, F. Lasee and Vrakas, cosponsored by Senators Cowles and Hansen. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

- AN ACT *to create* 20.395 (1) (gv) and 85.62 of the statutes; **relating to:**transportation aids to local professional football stadium districts and making
 an appropriation.
 - Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

1999 Wisconsin Act 167 created a professional football stadium district, which is a special purpose district, in each county with a population of more than 150,000 that includes the principal site of an existing, or to be constructed, league—approved home stadium for a professional football team that is a member of a league of teams that have home stadiums in at least ten states and a collective average attendance for all league members of at least 40,000 per game over the five years immediately preceding the year in which a district is created. A district is a local unit of government that is a body corporate and politic and that is separate and distinct from, and independent of, the state and the political subdivisions within its jurisdiction.

This bill authorizes the department of transportation to make aid payments to a local professional football stadium district for the development, construction, reconstruction, or improvement of bridges, highways, parking lots, garages, transportation facilities, or other functionally related or auxiliary facilities or structures associated with any home stadium of a professional football team, and creates a continuing appropriation in the segregated transportation fund for this purpose. The bill appropriates \$9,100,000 in fiscal year 2000–01 for such payments.

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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:

SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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- (gv) Transportation aids to local pro-
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- **SECTION 2.** 20.395 (1) (gv) of the statutes is created to read:
 - 20.395 **(1)** (gv) *Transportation aids to local professional football stadium districts, state funds.* As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for transportation aids to local professional football stadium districts under s. 85.62.
 - **Section 3.** 85.62 of the statutes is created to read:
 - **85.62 Aid to local professional football stadium districts.** The department may make aid payments from the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (gv) to a local professional football stadium district created under subch. IV of ch. 229 for the development, construction, reconstruction, or improvement of bridges, highways, parking lots, garages, transportation facilities, or other functionally related or auxiliary facilities or structures associated with a football stadium, as defined in s. 229.821 (6).

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