

## 2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 932

March 4, 2004 – Introduced by Representative KAUFERT, cosponsored by Senator DARLING. Referred to Joint Committee on Finance.

- 1 **AN ACT relating to:** transfer of certain moneys by the Joint Committee on  
2 Finance for purposes of election administration.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (P.L. 107-252), this state is required to appropriate from state funds an amount equal to at least 5 percent of the total amount expended by this state to meet certain federal requirements under the federal act. Currently, with certain exceptions, the Joint Committee on Finance (JCF) may transfer appropriated moneys between certain appropriations and programs if the committee finds that unnecessary duplication of functions can be eliminated, more efficient and effective methods for performing programs will result, or legislative intent will be more effectively carried out because of the transfer, and if legislative intent will not be changed and the purposes for which the transfer is requested have been authorized or directed by the legislature.

This bill directs the Elections Board and the Department of Administration (DOA), to request JCF to transfer appropriated moneys from the account for any sum certain appropriation that is funded from general purpose revenues to an appropriation account of the board that is used to provide state moneys for the purpose of meeting federal requirements for state contribution towards the cost of administering the Help America Vote Act in order to provide the amount required to secure the maximum amount of federal aid that this state is entitled to receive in the 2003-05 fiscal biennium. Under the bill, DOA and the board may not request transfers in a total amount exceeding \$1,496,000. In making the request, DOA is directed to identify specific sources derived from general purpose revenue from

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which transfers may be made without changing legislative intent and to recommend an amount to be transferred from each source. In making the transfers, JCF is not bound by the recommendations of DOA.

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

1           **SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

2           (1) (a) In this subsection:

3           1. “Annual appropriation” has the meaning given in section 20.001 (3) (a) of the  
4 statutes.

5           2. “Biennial appropriation” has the meaning given in section 20.001 (3) (b) of  
6 the statutes.

7           3. “General purpose revenues” has the meaning given in section 20.001 (2) (a)  
8 of the statutes.

9           (b) The elections board and the department of administration shall request the  
10 joint committee on finance to transfer appropriated moneys from the appropriation  
11 account for any annual or biennial appropriation that is funded from general purpose  
12 revenues to the appropriation account under section 20.510 (1) (d) of the statutes, as  
13 created by 2003 Wisconsin Act .... (Assembly Bill 601), in the amount necessary to  
14 enable this state to receive the maximum amount of federal aid that this state is  
15 entitled to receive for the administration of P.L. 107–252 in the 2003–05 fiscal  
16 biennium, but not exceeding a total of \$1,496,000. In making the request, the  
17 department shall identify specific sources derived from general purpose revenues  
18 from which transfers may be made without changing legislative intent concerning  
19 expenditure of moneys from the sources. The committee may then make transfers  
20 in accordance with section 13.101 (4) of the statutes in response to the request, but

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1 the committee may make transfers derived from appropriated moneys in annual or  
2 biennial appropriation accounts funded from general purpose revenues other than  
3 those identified or may transfer amounts that are different than those  
4 recommended.

5 (END)