



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2003 Wisconsin Act 296 [2003 Assembly Bill 932]	Help America Vote Act Funding
2003 Acts: www.legis.state.wi.us/2003/data/acts/	Act Memos: www.legis.state.wi.us/lc/act_memo/act_memo.htm

2003 Wisconsin Act 296 directs the Elections Board (board) and the Department of Administration (DOA) to request that the Joint Committee on Finance (JCF) provide a supplement to the board's election administration appropriation (created by 2003 Wisconsin Act 266) from any other general program revenue (GPR)-funded appropriation in order to capture the maximum federal funding available to the state under the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA). Under the Act, the maximum amount of the supplement may not exceed \$1,496,000 in the 2003-05 Biennium. [Having these funds available will enable the state to be eligible to receive an additional \$28,400,000 in federal HAVA funds.] In making the request, DOA must identify specific sources derived from GPR revenues from which transfers may be made without changing legislative intent concerning the expenditure of those funds.

In addition, the Act authorizes the JCF to make the appropriation transfer. However, the JCF would also be authorized to transfer funds from GPR appropriations other than those identified in the request and transfer amounts that are different than the amounts recommended in the request.

Effective Date: Act 296 takes effect on May 5, 2004.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents.