AN ACT relating to: ratification of the agreement negotiated between the state of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin State Attorneys Association, Inc., for the 2003–05 biennium, covering employees in the professional legal collective bargaining unit, and authorizing an expenditure of funds.

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

SECTION 1. Agreement ratified. The legislature ratifies the tentative agreement negotiated for the 2003–05 biennium between the state of Wisconsin, the office of state employment relations, and the Wisconsin State Attorneys Association, Inc., covering employees in the professional legal collective bargaining unit under subchapter V of chapter 111 of the statutes, as approved by the employees of the professional legal collective bargaining unit and approved and recommended by the joint committee on employment relations, and authorizes the necessary expenditure of moneys for implementation from the appropriations made by section 20.865 (1) of the statutes, subject to section 20.865 (intro.) of the statutes. The director of the office of state employment relations shall file an official copy of the agreement, certified by the cochairpersons of the joint committee on employment relations, with the secretary of state. No formal or informal agreement between the parties which is not a part of the official copy is deemed to be approved by the legislature under this act.

SECTION 2. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on the day following publication, except that those provisions specifically identified as having other effective dates in the agreement covering employees in the professional legal collective bargaining unit are effective on the dates provided in that agreement.

* Section 991.11, Wisconsin Statutes 2003–04: Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated” by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].