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research and development proposals relating to the environmental impacts of the electric industry.

Commencing with the 2004-05 fiscal year, DOA is required to determine each year whether to continue, discontinue or reduce any of the public benefits programs relating to energy conservation and efficiency and renewable resources. The agency is not planning to modify this component of the public benefits program at this time.

These DOA public benefits programs are funded primarily from a segregated public benefits fund, which derives revenues from a fee collected by electric utilities from their customers and remitted to DOA. In addition, the public benefits fund receives revenues equal to the amounts that major electric and gas utilities collected from their customers in 1998 for utility-sponsored public benefits-type programs. Utilities are continuing to collect these amounts and transfer these monies to the public benefits fund. Federal low-income weatherization assistance funding and federal low-income home energy assistance funding received by the state are figured into an annual formula for setting utility customer fees for the low-income component of the public benefits program. These federal funds, however, are not credited to the public benefits fund, but remain a separate program.

GOVERNOR

Transfer \$18,185,300 SEG in 2005-06 and \$16,949,400 SEG in 2006-07 from the utility public benefits fund to the general fund. The transfer would likely be made from the energy conservation and efficiency and renewable resources portion of the public benefits fund. Revenues to this portion of the fund are approximately \$62.0 million annually.

Including the ongoing base level commitment of \$9,232,000 SEG annually to DWD for the Wisconsin Works program, the bill would allocate or transfer a total of \$27,417,300 SEG in 2005-06 and \$26,181,400 SEG in 2006-07 from the utility public benefits fund to other purposes.

DISCUSSION POINTS

1. While the Governor's recommendation to transfer \$18,185,300 SEG in 2005-06 and \$16,949,400 SEG in 2006-07 of utility public benefits funds to the general fund does not specify whether the transfer would be made from monies that would otherwise be allocated to the low-income program component or to the energy conservation program component, DOA's Division of Energy has indicated that all of the recommended transfers would be made from the energy conservation and efficiency and renewable resource program. The \$9,232,000 SEG annually appropriated to DWD is also being drawn from the energy conservation and efficiency and renewable resource component of the public benefits program.

2. This paper reviews the revenue stream that is available to the energy conservation and efficiency portion of the public benefits program during the 2005-07 biennium. This discussion



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O-NOTE

**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,
TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 100**

1 At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows: ✓

2 **1.** Page 1015, line 23: delete lines 23 to 25. ✓

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