DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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ATTN: Denise Solie

Please review the attached draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent. In particular, please let me know if I have misstated the purpose for the appropriation increase.

Please note that s. 16.47 (2), stats., provides that, before passage of the executive budget bill, neither house may pass a bill that contains an appropriation or increases the cost of state government by more than \$10,000 annually unless the governor, the Joint Committee on Finance, or, in some cases, the committee on organization of either house recommends passage of the bill as an emergency appropriation bill. (Of course, since s. 16.47 (2) establishes a rule of legislative procedure, the legislature determines the extent to which it is enforced.)

Please let me know if you would like any changes made to the attached draft or if you have any questions. If the attached draft meets with your approval, let me know and I will convert it to an introducible "/1" draft.

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