2007 Assembly Bill 36

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AN ACT *to renumber* 23.097 (1) (a) and 23.097 (1) (b); and *to create* 23.097 (1r) of the statutes; **relating to:** grants for catastrophic damage caused to urban forests.

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

SECTION 1. 23.097 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 23.097 (1).

SECTION 2. 23.097 (1) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 23.097 (1g).

SECTION 3. 23.097 (1r) of the statutes is created to read:

23.097 (1r) In addition to the grants awarded under sub. (1g), the department may award grants to counties, cities, village, towns, nonprofit organizations, and federally recognized Indian tribes or bands that apply for the

grants for the costs of removing, saving, and replacing trees that have been damaged by catastrophic storm events in urban areas. To be eligible for a grant under this subsection, the damage must have occurred in an area for which the governor has designated a state of emergency due to a catastrophic storm event. The department shall notify each applicant for a grant under this subsection as to whether the application for the grant will be approved or denied within 60 days after the date the application is submitted to the department. A recipient of a grant awarded under this subsection is exempt from having to pay any percentage of the costs in order to receive the grant.

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^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2005–06: 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].