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Intent:

Draft the portion of Senate Bill 510 from the 2007-2008 Legislative Session titled

"WHEFA bonds for research institutions."

WHEFA bonds for research institutions

Under current law, the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority (WHEFA) may issue bonds to finance certain projects of health or educational institutions, to refinance outstanding debt of health or educational institutions, and to finance a purchase of the state's right to receive any of the payments under the Attorneys General Master Tobacco Settlement Agreement of November 23, 1998. Projects of health or educational institutions that may be financed include, among others, the acquisition of a hospital, the construction or operation of an ambulatory surgery center or home health agency, and the construction, remodeling, furnishing, or equipping of a health or educational facility or related structure.

This bill authorizes WHEFA to issue bonds to finance any project undertaken by a research institution for a research facility, or to refinance outstanding debt of a research institution. A research institution is defined in the bill as an entity that provides or operates a research facility. A research facility is defined in the bill as a building, institution, place, or agency of a nonprofit entity that is or will be used in whole or in part for the advancement of scientific, medical, or technological knowledge and that does not have a specific commercial objective. Project activities for which WHEFA may issue bonds include construction, acquisition, remodeling, furnishing, and equipping of research facilities, related structures, and structures or items that are useful for the operation of research facilities.



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An ACT \downarrow ,; relating to: the budget

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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

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revenues of \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2007–08, and decreased revenues of \$50,000,000 in fiscal year 2008–09, for a DOT appropriation related to revenue bond proceeds for the major highway projects program.

Under the bill, in submitting its 2009–11 biennial budget request, DOT may not include in its appropriation base level \$50,000,000 of the \$55,000,000 increase to its state funds appropriation for the major highway projects program or the modified estimates related to its revenue bonding appropriation for the major highway projects program.

Commuter rail transit system

Under current law, the counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee, and Racine must create a Regional Transit Authority (RTA). The RTA is responsible for the coordination of transit and commuter rail programs within these counties. The RTA may receive funding by imposing a rental car transaction fee within these counties, but the fee may presently be used only to hire staff, conduct studies, and prepare a report to the legislature and the governor, due by November 15, 2008. The report must include certain information, including a recommendation as to whether the responsibilities of the RTA should be limited to collection and distribution of regional transit funding or should also include operation of transit service and a recommendation on whether the RTA should continue in existence after September 30, 2009.

This bill provides the RTA with the responsibility for constructing and operating a commuter rail transit system connecting the cities of Kenosha, Racine, and Milwaukee (KRM commuter link). The bill increases the amount of the rental car transaction fee that may be imposed if the governing body of the RTA approves the increase. The bill reiterates the authority of the counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee, and Racine, and of the most populous city in each of these three counties, to submit to the electors in an advisory referendum the question of supporting this increase in the rental car transaction fee. The bill also authorizes the RTA to issue bonds and to use rental car transaction fees and bond proceeds for KRM commuter link purposes. Under the bill, the interest income received from the bonds is exempt from the state income tax. The bill also allows the RTA to participate in organizing municipal insurance mutuals to provide insurance and risk management services to the RTA. The bill requires the RTA's report due by November 15, 2008, to include a study on the feasibility of adding certain commuter rail stops and of extending commuter rail to a specified location.

WHEFA bonds for research institutions

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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20.143 Commerce, department of

- (1) ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- 6 (cr) Renewable energy grant and
- 7 loan program; general purpose
- 8 revenue GPR A -0- 8,000,000
- 9 **Section 2.** 20.143 (1) (cr) of the statutes is created to read:
- 20.143 **(1)** (cr) Renewable energy grant and loan program; general purpose revenue. The amounts in the schedule for grants and loans under s. 560.126.
- SECTION 3. 20.143 (1) (cr) of the statutes, as created by 2007 Wisconsin Act

 (this act), is repealed.
- **SECTION 4.** 25.40 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

short-term rental of passenger cars without drivers, for a period of 30 days or less,
unless the sale is exempt from the sales tax under s. 77.54 (1), (4), (7) (a), (7m), (9),
or (9a). The fee imposed under this subchapter shall be effective on the first day of
the first month that begins at least 90 days after the governing body of the regional
transit authority approves the imposition of the fee and notifies the department of
revenue. The governing body shall notify the department of a repeal of the fee
imposed under this subchapter at least 60 days before the effective date of the repeal.

Section 26. 231.01 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (4) (a) "Cost" means the sum of all costs incurred by a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider, as approved by the authority, as are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the project, exclusive of any private or federal, state, or local financial assistance received by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider for the payment of the project cost.

Section 27. 231.01 (4) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 **(4)** (b) 1. The cost incurred by or on behalf of the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider of all necessary developmental, planning, and feasibility studies, surveys, plans, and specifications, architectural, engineering, legal, or other special services, the cost of acquisition of land and any buildings and improvements on the land, site preparation, and development including demolition or removal of existing structures, construction, reconstruction, and equipment, including machinery, fixed equipment, and personal property.

SECTION 28. 231.01 (4) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

1	231.01 (4) (b) 2. The reasonable cost of financing incurred by a participating
2	health institution, participating educational institution, participating research
3	institution, or participating child care provider in the course of the development of
4	the project to the occupancy date.
5	SECTION 29. 231.01 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
6	231.01 (4) (c) All rents and other net revenues from the operation of the real
7	property, improvements, or personal property on the project site by a participating
8	health institution, participating educational institution, participating research
9	institution, or participating child care provider on and after the date on which the
10	contract between a participating health institution, participating educational
11	institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider
12	and the authority was entered into, but prior to the occupancy date, shall reduce the
13	sum of all costs in this subsection.
14	SECTION 30. 231.01 (6t) of the statutes is created to read:
15	231.01 (6t) "Participating research institution" means an entity that provides
16	or operates a research facility and that undertakes the financing and construction
17	or acquisition of a project or undertakes the refunding or refinancing of obligations
18	or of a mortgage or of advances as provided in this chapter.
19	Section 31. 231.01 (7) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:
20	231.01 (7) (a) 1. A specific health facility, educational facility, research facility.
21	or child care center work or improvement to be refinanced, acquired, constructed,
22	enlarged, remodeled, renovated, improved, furnished, or equipped by the authority
23	with funds provided in whole or in part under this chapter.
24	SECTION 32. 231.01 (7) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (7) (a) 2. One or more structures suitable for use as a child care center,
research facility, health facility, laboratory, laundry, nurses' or interns' residence or
other multi-unit housing facility for staff, employees, patients or relatives of
patients admitted for treatment or care in a health facility, physician's facility,
administration building, research facility, maintenance, storage, or utility facility.
Section 33. 231.01 (7) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:
231.01 (7) (a) 4. Any structure useful for the operation of a health facility,
educational facility, research facility, or child care center, including facilities or
supporting service structures essential or convenient for the orderly conduct of the
health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center.
SECTION 34. 231.01 (7) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
231.01 (7) (c) "Project" may include any combination of projects undertaken
jointly by any participating health institution, participating educational institution.
participating research institution, or participating child care provider with one or
more other participating health institutions, participating educational institutions,
participating research institutions, or participating child care providers.
SECTION 35. 231.01 (8c) of the statutes is created to read:
231.01 (8c) "Research facility" means an institution, place, building, or agency
that satisfies all of the following:
(a) Is owned by an entity that is described in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal
Revenue Code and that is exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (a) of
the Internal Revenue Code.
(b) Is or will be used in whole or in part for basic research for the advancement
of scientific, medical, or technological knowledge and that does not have a specific
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Section 36. 231.02 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.02 (6) (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it is not a conflict of interest or violation of this section or of any other law for a trustee, director, officer, or employee of a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider or for a person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in state and municipal finance or for a person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in the field of health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center architecture to serve as a member of the authority; if in each case to which par. (a) is applicable, the trustee, director, officer, or employee of the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider abstains from discussion, deliberation, action, and vote by the authority in specific respect to any undertaking pursuant to this chapter in which his or her participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider has an interest, or the person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in state and municipal finance abstains from discussion, deliberation, action, and vote by the authority in specific respect to any sale, purchase, or ownership of bonds of the authority in which any business of which such person is a participant, owner, officer, or employee has a past, current, or future interest, or such person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in the field of health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center architecture abstains from discussion, deliberation, action, and vote by the authority in specific respect to construction or acquisition of

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Section 37. 231.03 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (5) Determine the location and character of any project to be financed under this chapter, and construct, reconstruct, remodel, maintain, enlarge, alter, add to, repair, lease as lessee or lessor and regulate the same, enter into contracts for any such purpose, enter into contracts for the management and operation of a project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers owned by the authority, and designate a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider as its agent to determine the location and character of a project undertaken by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider under this chapter and as the agent of the authority, to construct, reconstruct, remodel, maintain, manage, enlarge, alter, add to, repair, operate, lease as lessee or lessor and regulate the same, and as the agent of the authority, to enter into contracts for any such purpose, including contracts for the management and operation of such project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers owned by the authority.

Section 38. 231.03 (6) (h) of the statutes is created to read:

231.03 **(6)** (h) Finance any project undertaken for a research facility by a participating research institution.

Section 39. 231.03 (6) (i) of the statutes is created to read:

231.03 **(6)** (i) Refinance outstanding debt of any participating research institution.

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Section 40. 231.03 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (7) Fix and revise from time to time and charge and collect rates, rents, fees, and charges for the use of and for the services furnished or to be furnished by a project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers owned by the authority or any portion thereof, contract with any person in respect thereto and coordinate its policies and procedures, and cooperate with recognized health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center

Section 41. 231.03 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 **(8)** Adopt rules for the use of a project or other health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center or any portion of the project or facility owned, financed, or refinanced in whole or in part by the authority, including any property used as security for a loan secured through, from, or with the assistance of the authority. The authority may designate a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider as its agent to establish rules for the use of a project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers undertaken for that participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider. The rules shall ensure that a project, health facility, educational facility, research facility, child care center, or property may not be used primarily for sectarian instruction or study or as a place for devotional activities or religious worship.

Section 42. 231.03 (11) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (11) Establish or contract with others to carry out on its behalf a health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center project cost estimating service, and make this service available on all projects to provide expert cost estimates and guidance to the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider and to the authority. To implement this service and, through it, to contribute to cost containment, the authority may require such reasonable reports and documents from health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center projects as are required for this service and for the development of cost reports and guidelines. The authority shall appoint a technical committee on health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center project costs and cost containment.

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SECTION 43. 231.03 (13) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (13) Make loans to any participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or, before May 1, 2000, participating child care provider for the cost of a project in accordance with an agreement between the authority and the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider. The authority may secure the loan by a mortgage or other security arrangement on the health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center granted by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider to the authority. The loan may not exceed the total cost of the project as determined by the participating health institution,

participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider and approved by the authority.

Section 44. 231.03 (14) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (14) Make loans to a health facility, educational facility, research facility, or, before May 1, 2000, child care center for which bonds may be issued under sub. (6) (b) or (d) or under s. 231.03 (6) (f), 1999 stats., to refinance the health facility's, educational facility's, research facility's, or child care center's outstanding debt. The authority may secure the loan or bond by a mortgage or other security arrangement on the health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center granted by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider to the authority.

Section 45. 231.03 (15) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (15) Mortgage all or any portion of a project and other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers and the site thereof, whether owned or thereafter acquired, for the benefit of the holders of bonds issued to finance the project, health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers or any portion thereof or issued to refund or refinance outstanding indebtedness of participating health institutions, educational institutions, participating research institutions, or child care providers as permitted by this chapter.

Section 46. 231.03 (16) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 **(16)** Lease to a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider the project being financed or other health facilities, educational

facilities, research facilities, or child care centers conveyed to the authority in connection with such financing, upon such terms and conditions as the authority deems proper, and charge and collect rents therefor, and terminate any such lease upon the failure of the lessee to comply with any of the obligations thereof; and include in any such lease, if desired, provisions that the lessee thereof shall have options to renew the term of the lease for such periods and at such rent as the authority determines or to purchase all or any part of the health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers or that, upon payment of all of the indebtedness incurred by the authority for the financing of such project or health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers or for refunding outstanding indebtedness of a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider, the authority may convey all or any part of the project or such other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers to the lessees thereof with or without consideration.

Section 47. 231.03 (17) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (17) Charge to and apportion among participating health institutions, participating educational institutions, participating research institutions, and participating child care providers its administrative costs and expenses incurred in the exercise of the powers and duties conferred by this chapter.

Section 48. 231.03 (18) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 **(18)** Make studies of needed health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers that could not sustain a loan were it made under this chapter and recommend remedial action to the legislature; and do the

same with regard to any laws or rules that prevent health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers from benefiting from this chapter.

Section 49. 231.03 (19) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (19) Obtain, or aid in obtaining, from any department or agency of the United States or of this state or any private company, any insurance or guaranty concerning the payment or repayment of, interest or principal, or both, or any part thereof, on any loan, lease, or obligation or any instrument evidencing or securing the same, made or entered into under the provisions of this chapter; and notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, to enter into any agreement, contract, or any other instrument with respect to that insurance or guaranty, to accept payment in the manner and form provided therein in the event of default by a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider, and to assign the insurance or guaranty as security for the authority's bonds.

Section 50. 231.04 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.04 Expenses. All expenses of the authority incurred in carrying out this chapter shall be payable solely from funds provided under the authority of this chapter, and no liability may be incurred by the authority beyond the extent to which moneys have been provided under this chapter except that, for the purposes of meeting the necessary expenses of initial organization and operation of the authority for the period commencing on June 19, 1974 and continuing until such date as the authority derives moneys from funds provided to it under the authority of this chapter, the authority may borrow such moneys as it requires to supplement the funds provided under s. 20.440. Such moneys borrowed by the authority shall subsequently be charged to and apportioned among participating health

institutions, participating educational institutions, participating research institutions, and participating child care providers in an equitable manner, and repaid with appropriate interest over a reasonable period of time.

Section 51. 231.05 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.05 (1) By means of this chapter, it is the intent of the legislature to provide assistance and alternative methods of financing to nonprofit health institutions to aid them in providing needed health services consistent with the state's health plan, to nonprofit educational institutions to aid them in providing needed educational services, to nonprofit research institutions to aid them in providing needed research facilities, and to nonprofit child care providers to aid them in providing needed child care services.

Section 52. 231.06 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.06 Property acquisition. The authority may acquire, directly or by and through a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider as its agent, by purchase or by gift or devise, such lands, structures, property, rights, rights—of—way, franchises, easements, and other interests in lands, including lands lying under water and riparian rights, which are located within this state as it deems necessary or convenient for the construction or operation of a project, upon such terms and at such prices as it considers reasonable and can be agreed upon between it and the owner thereof, and take title thereto in the name of the authority or in the name of a health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center as its agent.

SECTION 53. 231.07 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.07 (1) (b) Convey to the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider the authority's interest in the project and in any other health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center leased, mortgaged, or subject to a deed of trust or any other form of security arrangement to secure the bond.

Section 54. 231.07 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.07 (2) (a) The principal of and interest on any bond issued by the authority to finance a project or to refinance or refund outstanding indebtedness of one or more participating health institutions, participating educational institutions, participating research institutions, or participating child care providers, including any refunding bonds issued to refund and refinance the bond, have been fully paid and the bonds retired or if the adequate provision has been made to pay fully and retire the bond; and

Section 55. 231.08 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.08 **(5)** In addition to the other authorizations under this section, bonds of the authority may be secured by a pooling of leases whereby the authority may assign its rights, as lessor, and pledge rents under 2 or more leases of health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers with 2 or more health institutions, educational institutions, research institutions, or child care providers, as lessees respectively, upon such terms as may be provided for in bond resolutions of the authority.

Section 56. 231.10 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.10 (1) The state is not liable on notes or bonds of the authority and the notes and bonds are not a debt of the state. All notes and bonds of the authority shall

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contain on the face thereof a statement to this effect. The issuance of bonds under this chapter shall not, directly or indirectly or contingently, obligate the state or any political subdivision thereof to levy any form of taxation therefor or to make any appropriation for their payment. Nothing in this section prevents the authority from pledging its full faith and credit or the full faith and credit of a health institution, educational institution, research institution, or child care provider to the payment of bonds authorized under this chapter.

Section 57. 231.12 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.12 Studies and recommendations. It is the intent and purpose of this chapter that the exercise by the authority of the powers granted to it shall be in all respects for the benefit of the people of this state to assist them to provide needed health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers of the number, size, type, distribution, and operation that will assure admission and health care, education, research opportunities, or child care of high quality to all who need it. The authority shall identify and study all projects which are determined by health planning agencies to be needed, but which could not sustain a loan were such to be made to it under this chapter. The authority shall formulate and recommend to the legislature such amendments to this and other laws, and such other specific measures as grants, loan guarantees, interest subsidies, or other actions the state may provide which would render the construction and operation of needed health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers feasible and in the public interest. The authority also shall identify and study any laws or rules which it finds handicaps or bars a needed health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center from participating in the benefits of this chapter, and recommend to the legislature such actions as will remedy such situation.

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Section 58. 231.13 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.13 (1) (intro.) The authority shall collect rents for the use of, or other revenues relating to the financing of, each project. The authority shall contract with a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider for each issuance of bonds. The contract shall provide that the rents or other revenues payable by the health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center shall be sufficient at all times to:

Section 59. 231.13 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.13 (2) The authority shall pledge the revenues derived and to be derived from a project and other related health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers for the purposes specified in sub. (1), and additional bonds may be issued which may rank on a parity with other bonds relating to the project to the extent and on the terms and conditions provided in the bond resolution. Such pledge shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made, the revenues so pledged by the authority shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act and the lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the authority, irrespective of whether such Neither the bond resolution nor any financing parties have notice thereof. statement, continuation statement, or other instrument by which a pledge is created or by which the authority's interest in revenues is assigned need be filed or recorded in any public records in order to perfect the lien thereof as against 3rd parties, except that a copy thereof shall be filed in the records of the authority and with the department of financial institutions.

Section 60. 231.16 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

the authority or indebtedness that a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider may have incurred for the construction or acquisition of a project prior to or after April 30, 1980, including the payment of any redemption premium on the outstanding bond or indebtedness and any interest accrued or to accrue to the earliest or any subsequent date of redemption, purchase, or maturity, or to pay all or any part of the cost of constructing and acquiring additions, improvements, extensions, or enlargements of a project or any portion of a project. Except for bonds to refund bonds issued under s. 231.03 (6) (g), no bonds may be issued under this section unless the authority has first entered into a new or amended agreement with a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider to provide sufficient revenues to pay the costs and other items described in s. 231.13.

Section 61. 231.20 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.20 Waiver of construction and bidding requirements. In exercising its powers under s. 101.12, the department of commerce or any city, village, town, or county may, within its discretion for proper cause shown, waive any particular requirements relating to public buildings, structures, grounds, works, and improvements imposed by law upon projects under this chapter; the requirements of s. 101.13 may not be waived, however. If, however, the prospective lessee so requests in writing, the authority shall, through the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or

1	participating child care provider as its agent, call for construction bids in such
2	manner as is determined by the authority with the approval of the lessee.
3	Section 62. 231.23 of the statutes is amended to read:
4	231.23 Nonprofit institutions. It is intended that all nonprofit health and
5	institutions, educational institutions, research institutions, and child care providers
6	in this state be enabled to benefit from and participate in this chapter. To this end,
7	all nonprofit health and institutions, educational institutions, research institutions,
8	and child care providers operating, or authorized to be operated, under any law of
9	this state may undertake projects and utilize the capital financing sources and
10	methods of repayment provided by this chapter, the provisions of any other laws to
11	the contrary notwithstanding. (2007 Wisconsin
12	SECTION 63. 560.126 (1) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2007 Wisconsin
13	Act 20, is amended to read:
14	560.126 (1) (intro.) The department may award a grant or make a loan from
15	the appropriations under s. 20.143 (1) (cr), (ie) or, and (tm) to a business or researcher
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Under current law, the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority (WHEFA) may issue bonds to finance certain projects of health or educational institutions, to refinance outstanding debt of health or educational institutions, and to finance a purchase of the state's right to receive any of the payments under the Attorneys General Master Tobacco Settlement Agreement of November 23, 1998. Projects of health or educational institutions that may be financed include, among others, the acquisition of a hospital, the construction or operation of an ambulatory surgery center or home health agency, and the construction, remodeling, furnishing, or equipping of a health or educational facility or related structure.

This bill authorizes WHEFA to issue bonds to finance any project undertaken by a research institution for a research facility, or to refinance outstanding debt of a research institution. A research institution is defined in the bill as an entity that provides or operates a research facility. A research facility is defined in the bill as a building, institution, place, or agency of a nonprofit entity that is or will be used in whole or in part for the advancement of scientific, medical, or technological knowledge and that does not have a specific commercial objective. Project activities for which WHEFA may issue bonds include construction, acquisition, remodeling,

furnishing, and equipping of research facilities, related structures, and structures or items that are useful for the operation of research facilities.

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

SECTION 1. 231.01 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (4) (a) "Cost" means the sum of all costs incurred by a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider, as approved by the authority, as are reasonable and necessary to accomplish the project, exclusive of any private or federal, state, or local financial assistance received by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider for the payment of the project cost.

SECTION 2. 231.01 (4) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (4) (b) 1. The cost incurred by or on behalf of the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider of all necessary developmental, planning, and feasibility studies, surveys, plans, and specifications, architectural, engineering, legal, or other special services, the cost of acquisition of land and any buildings and improvements on the land, site preparation, and development including demolition or removal of existing structures, construction, reconstruction, and equipment, including machinery, fixed equipment, and personal property.

SECTION 3. 231.01 (4) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (4) (b) 2. The reasonable cost of financing incurred by a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research

institution, or participating child care provider in the course of the development of the project to the occupancy date.

SECTION 4. 231.01 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (4) (c) All rents and other net revenues from the operation of the real property, improvements, or personal property on the project site by a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider on and after the date on which the contract between a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider and the authority was entered into, but prior to the occupancy date, shall reduce the sum of all costs in this subsection.

SECTION 5. 231.01 (6t) of the statutes is created to read:

231.01 (6t) "Participating research institution" means an entity that provides or operates a research facility and that undertakes the financing and construction or acquisition of a project or undertakes the refunding or refinancing of obligations or of a mortgage or of advances as provided in this chapter.

SECTION 6. 231.01 (7) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (7) (a) 1. A specific health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center work or improvement to be refinanced, acquired, constructed, enlarged, remodeled, renovated, improved, furnished, or equipped by the authority with funds provided in whole or in part under this chapter.

SECTION 7. 231.01 (7) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

231.01 (7) (a) 2. One or more structures suitable for use as a child care center, research facility, health facility, laboratory, laundry, nurses' or interns' residence or other multi-unit housing facility for staff, employees, patients or relatives of

patients admitted for treatment or care in a health facility, physician's facility
administration building, research facility, maintenance, storage, or utility facility.
SECTION 8. 231.01 (7) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:
231.01 (7) (a) 4. Any structure useful for the operation of a health facility
educational facility, research facility, or child care center, including facilities or
supporting service structures essential or convenient for the orderly conduct of the
health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center.
SECTION 9. 231.01 (7) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
231.01 (7) (c) "Project" may include any combination of projects undertaken
jointly by any participating health institution, participating educational institution,
participating research institution, or participating child care provider with one or
more other participating health institutions, participating educational institutions,
participating research institutions, or participating child care providers.
Section 10. 231.01 (8c) of the statutes is created to read:
231.01 (8c) "Research facility" means an institution, place, building, or agency
that satisfies all of the following:
(a) Is owned by an entity that is described in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal
Revenue Code and that is exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (a) of
the Internal Revenue Code.
(b) Is or will be used in whole or in part for basic research for the advancement
of scientific, medical, or technological knowledge and that does not have a specific
commercial objective.
SECTION 11. 231.02 (6) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
231.02 (6) (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, it is not a conflict

of interest or violation of this section or of any other law for a trustee, director, officer,

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or employee of a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider or for a person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in state and municipal finance or for a person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in the field of health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center architecture to serve as a member of the authority; if in each case to which par. (a) is applicable, the trustee, director, officer, or employee of the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider abstains from discussion, deliberation, action, and vote by the authority in specific respect to any undertaking pursuant to this chapter in which his or her participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider has an interest, or the person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in state and municipal finance abstains from discussion, deliberation, action, and vote by the authority in specific respect to any sale, purchase, or ownership of bonds of the authority in which any business of which such person is a participant, owner, officer, or employee has a past, current, or future interest, or such person having the required favorable reputation for skill, knowledge, and experience in the field of health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center architecture abstains from discussion, deliberation, action, and vote by the authority in specific respect to construction or acquisition of any project of the authority in which any business of which such person is a participant, owner, officer, or employee has a past, current, or future interest.

SECTION 12. 231.03 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (5) Determine the location and character of any project to be financed
under this chapter, and construct, reconstruct, remodel, maintain, enlarge, alter, add
to, repair, lease as lessee or lessor and regulate the same, enter into contracts for any
such purpose, enter into contracts for the management and operation of a project or
other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers
owned by the authority, and designate a participating health institution,
participating educational institution, participating research institution, or
participating child care provider as its agent to determine the location and character
of a project undertaken by the participating health institution, participating
educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child
care provider under this chapter and as the agent of the authority, to construct,
reconstruct, remodel, maintain, manage, enlarge, alter, add to, repair, operate, lease
as lessee or lessor and regulate the same, and as the agent of the authority, to enter
into contracts for any such purpose, including contracts for the management and
operation of such project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research
facilities, or child care centers owned by the authority.

- **Section 13.** 231.03 (6) (h) of the statutes is created to read:
- 231.03 (6) (h) Finance any project undertaken for a research facility by a participating research institution.
 - **Section 14.** 231.03 (6) (i) of the statutes is created to read:
- 21 231.03 (6) (i) Refinance outstanding debt of any participating research institution.
 - **Section 15.** 231.03 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:
 - 231.03 (7) Fix and revise from time to time and charge and collect rates, rents, fees, and charges for the use of and for the services furnished or to be furnished by

a project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers owned by the authority or any portion thereof, contract with any person in respect thereto and coordinate its policies and procedures, and cooperate with recognized health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center rate setting mechanisms.

Section 16. 231.03 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (8) Adopt rules for the use of a project or other health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center or any portion of the project or facility owned, financed, or refinanced in whole or in part by the authority, including any property used as security for a loan secured through, from, or with the assistance of the authority. The authority may designate a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider as its agent to establish rules for the use of a project or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers undertaken for that participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider. The rules shall ensure that a project, health facility, educational facility, research facility, child care center, or property may not be used primarily for sectarian instruction or study or as a place for devotional activities or religious worship.

Section 17. 231.03 (11) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (11) Establish or contract with others to carry out on its behalf a health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center project cost estimating service, and make this service available on all projects to provide expert cost estimates and guidance to the participating health institution, participating

educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider and to the authority. To implement this service and, through it, to contribute to cost containment, the authority may require such reasonable reports and documents from health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center projects as are required for this service and for the development of cost reports and guidelines. The authority shall appoint a technical committee on health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center project costs and cost containment.

SECTION 18. 231.03 (13) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (13) Make loans to any participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or, before May 1, 2000, participating child care provider for the cost of a project in accordance with an agreement between the authority and the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider. The authority may secure the loan by a mortgage or other security arrangement on the health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center granted by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider to the authority. The loan may not exceed the total cost of the project as determined by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider and approved by the authority.

SECTION 19. 231.03 (14) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (14) Make loans to a health facility, educational facility, research facility, or, before May 1, 2000, child care center for which bonds may be issued under

sub. (6) (b) or (d) or under s. 231.03 (6) (f), 1999 stats., to refinance the health facility's, educational facility's, research facility's, or child care center's outstanding debt. The authority may secure the loan or bond by a mortgage or other security arrangement on the health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center granted by the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider to the authority.

Section 20. 231.03 (15) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (15) Mortgage all or any portion of a project and other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers and the site thereof, whether owned or thereafter acquired, for the benefit of the holders of bonds issued to finance the project, health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers or any portion thereof or issued to refund or refinance outstanding indebtedness of participating health institutions, educational institutions, research institutions, or child care providers as permitted by this chapter.

SECTION 21. 231.03 (16) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (16) Lease to a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider the project being financed or other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers conveyed to the authority in connection with such financing, upon such terms and conditions as the authority deems proper, and charge and collect rents therefor, and terminate any such lease upon the failure of the lessee to comply with any of the obligations thereof; and include in any such lease, if desired, provisions that the lessee thereof shall have options to renew the term of the lease for such periods and at such rent as the

authority determines or to purchase all or any part of the health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers or that, upon payment of all of the indebtedness incurred by the authority for the financing of such project or health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers or for refunding outstanding indebtedness of a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider, the authority may convey all or any part of the project or such other health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers to the lessees thereof with or without consideration.

Section 22. 231.03 (17) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (17) Charge to and apportion among participating health institutions, participating educational institutions, participating research institutions, and participating child care providers its administrative costs and expenses incurred in the exercise of the powers and duties conferred by this chapter.

Section 23. 231.03 (18) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (18) Make studies of needed health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers that could not sustain a loan were it made under this chapter and recommend remedial action to the legislature; and do the same with regard to any laws or rules that prevent health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers from benefiting from this chapter.

Section 24. 231.03 (19) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.03 (19) Obtain, or aid in obtaining, from any department or agency of the United States or of this state or any private company, any insurance or guaranty concerning the payment or repayment of, interest or principal, or both, or any part thereof, on any loan, lease, or obligation or any instrument evidencing or securing

the same, made or entered into under the provisions of this chapter; and notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, to enter into any agreement, contract, or any other instrument with respect to that insurance or guaranty, to accept payment in the manner and form provided therein in the event of default by a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider, and to assign the insurance or guaranty as security for the authority's bonds.

Section 25. 231.04 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.04 Expenses. All expenses of the authority incurred in carrying out this chapter shall be payable solely from funds provided under the authority of this chapter, and no liability may be incurred by the authority beyond the extent to which moneys have been provided under this chapter except that, for the purposes of meeting the necessary expenses of initial organization and operation of the authority for the period commencing on June 19, 1974 and continuing until such date as the authority derives moneys from funds provided to it under the authority of this chapter, the authority may borrow such moneys as it requires to supplement the funds provided under s. 20.440. Such moneys borrowed by the authority shall subsequently be charged to and apportioned among participating health institutions, participating educational institutions, participating research institutions, and participating child care providers in an equitable manner, and repaid with appropriate interest over a reasonable period of time.

Section 26. 231.05 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.05 (1) By means of this chapter, it is the intent of the legislature to provide assistance and alternative methods of financing to nonprofit health institutions to aid them in providing needed health services consistent with the state's health plan,

to nonprofit educational institutions to aid them in providing needed educational services, to nonprofit research institutions to aid them in providing needed research facilities, and to nonprofit child care providers to aid them in providing needed child care services.

Section 27. 231.06 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.06 Property acquisition. The authority may acquire, directly or by and through a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider as its agent, by purchase or by gift or devise, such lands, structures, property, rights, rights-of-way, franchises, easements, and other interests in lands, including lands lying under water and riparian rights, which are located within this state as it deems necessary or convenient for the construction or operation of a project, upon such terms and at such prices as it considers reasonable and can be agreed upon between it and the owner thereof, and take title thereto in the name of the authority or in the name of a health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center as its agent.

SECTION 28. 231.07 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.07 (1) (b) Convey to the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider the authority's interest in the project and in any other health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center leased, mortgaged, or subject to a deed of trust or any other form of security arrangement to secure the bond.

SECTION 29. 231.07 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

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231.07 (2) (a) The principal of and interest on any bond issued by the authority to finance a project or to refinance or refund outstanding indebtedness of one or more participating health institutions, participating educational institutions, participating research institutions, or participating child care providers, including any refunding bonds issued to refund and refinance the bond, have been fully paid and the bonds retired or if the adequate provision has been made to pay fully and retire the bond; and

Section 30. 231.08 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.08 (5) In addition to the other authorizations under this section, bonds of the authority may be secured by a pooling of leases whereby the authority may assign its rights, as lessor, and pledge rents under 2 or more leases of health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, or child care centers with 2 or more health institutions, educational institutions, research institutions, or child care providers, as lessees respectively, upon such terms as may be provided for in bond resolutions of the authority.

SECTION 31. 231.10 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.10 (1) The state is not liable on notes or bonds of the authority and the notes and bonds are not a debt of the state. All notes and bonds of the authority shall contain on the face thereof a statement to this effect. The issuance of bonds under this chapter shall not, directly or indirectly or contingently, obligate the state or any political subdivision thereof to levy any form of taxation therefor or to make any appropriation for their payment. Nothing in this section prevents the authority from pledging its full faith and credit or the full faith and credit of a health institution, educational institution, research institution, or child care provider to the payment of bonds authorized under this chapter.

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SECTION 32. 231.12 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.12 Studies and recommendations. It is the intent and purpose of this chapter that the exercise by the authority of the powers granted to it shall be in all respects for the benefit of the people of this state to assist them to provide needed health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers of the number, size, type, distribution, and operation that will assure admission and health care, education, research opportunities, or child care of high quality to all who need it. The authority shall identify and study all projects which are determined by health planning agencies to be needed, but which could not sustain a loan were such to be made to it under this chapter. The authority shall formulate and recommend to the legislature such amendments to this and other laws, and such other specific measures as grants, loan guarantees, interest subsidies, or other actions the state may provide which would render the construction and operation of needed health facilities, educational facilities, research facilities, and child care centers feasible and in the public interest. The authority also shall identify and study any laws or rules which it finds handicaps or bars a needed health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center from participating in the benefits of this chapter, and recommend to the legislature such actions as will remedy such situation.

Section 33. 231.13 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.13 (1) (intro.) The authority shall collect rents for the use of, or other revenues relating to the financing of, each project. The authority shall contract with a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider for each issuance of bonds. The contract shall provide that the rents or other revenues

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payable by the health facility, educational facility, research facility, or child care center shall be sufficient at all times to:

SECTION 34. 231.13 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.13 (2) The authority shall pledge the revenues derived and to be derived from a project and other related health facilities, educational facilities, research <u>facilities</u>, or child care centers for the purposes specified in sub. (1), and additional bonds may be issued which may rank on a parity with other bonds relating to the project to the extent and on the terms and conditions provided in the bond resolution. Such pledge shall be valid and binding from the time when the pledge is made, the revenues so pledged by the authority shall immediately be subject to the lien of such pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act and the lien of any such pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the authority, irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof. Neither the bond resolution nor any financing statement, continuation statement, or other instrument by which a pledge is created or by which the authority's interest in revenues is assigned need be filed or recorded in any public records in order to perfect the lien thereof as against 3rd parties, except that a copy thereof shall be filed in the records of the authority and with the department of financial institutions.

Section 35. 231.16 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

231.16 (1) The authority may issue bonds to refund any outstanding bond of the authority or indebtedness that a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider may have incurred for the construction or acquisition of a project prior to or after April 30, 1980, including the payment of any redemption premium on the

outstanding bond or indebtedness and any interest accrued or to accrue to the earliest or any subsequent date of redemption, purchase, or maturity, or to pay all or any part of the cost of constructing and acquiring additions, improvements, extensions, or enlargements of a project or any portion of a project. Except for bonds to refund bonds issued under s. 231.03 (6) (g), no bonds may be issued under this section unless the authority has first entered into a new or amended agreement with a participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider to provide sufficient revenues to pay the costs and other items described in s. 231.13.

Section 36. 231.20 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.20 Waiver of construction and bidding requirements. In exercising its powers under s. 101.12, the department of commerce or any city, village, town, or county may, within its discretion for proper cause shown, waive any particular requirements relating to public buildings, structures, grounds, works, and improvements imposed by law upon projects under this chapter; the requirements of s. 101.13 may not be waived, however. If, however, the prospective lessee so requests in writing, the authority shall, through the participating health institution, participating educational institution, participating research institution, or participating child care provider as its agent, call for construction bids in such manner as is determined by the authority with the approval of the lessee.

SECTION 37. 231.23 of the statutes is amended to read:

231.23 Nonprofit institutions. It is intended that all nonprofit health and institutions, educational institutions, research institutions, and child care providers in this state be enabled to benefit from and participate in this chapter. To this end, all nonprofit health and institutions, educational institutions, research institutions,

1	and child care providers operating, or authorized to be operated, under any law of
2	this state may undertake projects and utilize the capital financing sources and
3	methods of repayment provided by this chapter, the provisions of any other laws to
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