



State of Wisconsin  
2011 – 2012 LEGISLATURE



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**SENATE AMENDMENT 1,  
TO 2011 SENATE BILL 50**

March 7, 2012 – Offered by Senators ERPENBACH, KING, HANSEN, MILLER, VINEHOUT  
and TAYLOR.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 **1.** Page 1, line 1: after “rules” insert “and making an appropriation”.

3 **2.** Page 2, line 1: before that line insert:

4 “**SECTION 1c.** 20.155 (1) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 20.155 (1) (g) *Utility regulation.* The amounts in the schedule for the  
6 regulation of utilities. Ninety Except as provided in s. 196.85 (1) (am), 90 percent of  
7 all moneys received by the commission under s. 196.85, 196.855, or 201.10 (3) shall  
8 be credited to this appropriation. Ninety percent of all receipts from the sale of  
9 miscellaneous printed reports and other copied material, the cost of which was  
10 originally paid under this paragraph, shall be credited to this appropriation.

11 **SECTION 1g.** 20.155 (1) (gm) of the statutes is created to read:

12 20.155 (1) (gm) *Wind system health study.* All moneys received under s. 196.85  
13 (1) (am) for conducting the study required under s. 196.378 (4w).

1           **SECTION 1L.** 196.378 (4w) of the statutes is created to read:

2           196.378 (4w) HEALTH STUDY. The commission shall conduct a health study of  
3 the effects of wind energy systems on individuals residing within one mile of wind  
4 energy systems. Upon completion of the study, the commission shall submit a report  
5 on the study to the legislature under s. 13.172 (2).

6           **SECTION 1p.** 196.85 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

7           196.85 (1) (a) If the commission in a proceeding upon its own motion, on  
8 complaint, or upon an application to it deems it necessary in order to carry out the  
9 duties imposed upon it by law to investigate the books, accounts, practices, and  
10 activities of, or make appraisals of the property of any public utility, power district,  
11 or sewerage system or to render any engineering or accounting services to any public  
12 utility, power district, or sewerage system, the public utility, power district, or  
13 sewerage system shall pay the expenses attributable to the investigation, including  
14 the cost of litigation, appraisal, or service. The commission shall mail a bill for the  
15 expenses to the public utility, power district, or sewerage system either at the  
16 conclusion of the investigation, appraisal, or services, or during its progress. The bill  
17 constitutes notice of the assessment and demand of payment. The public utility,  
18 power district, or sewerage system shall, within 30 days after the mailing of the bill,  
19 pay to the commission the amount of the special expense for which it is billed. ~~Ninety~~  
20 Except as provided in par. (am) 90 percent of the payment shall be credited to the  
21 appropriation account under s. 20.155 (1) (g).

22           **SECTION 1t.** 196.85 (1) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

23           196.85 (1) (am) Of the amounts assessed under par. (a) against applicants for  
24 certificates of public convenience and necessity under s. 196.491 (3) for large electric  
25 generating facilities, as defined in s. 196.491 (1) (g), that are wind energy systems,

1 as defined in s. 66.0403 (1) (m), the commission shall designate the amounts that are  
2 necessary to fund the study required under s. 196.378 (4w). The commission shall  
3 credit the amounts so designated to the appropriation account under s. 20.155 (1)  
4 (gm). The total amount designated under this paragraph may not exceed \$250,000.”.

5 **3.** Page 2, line 1: delete “**SECTION 1**” and substitute “**SECTION 1x**”.

6 (END)