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DOA:.....Frederick, BB0133 - Payment of Health Insurance Premiums for State Employees; Collective Bargaining and health insurance

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Champagne, Rick

From:

Frederick, Caitlin - DOA [caitlin.frederick@wisconsin.gov]

Sent:

Thursday, January 27, 2011 8:03 PM

To:

Champagne, Rick

Subject:

RE: Health Insurance Draft

Yes. Future years set by OSER Director.

From: Champagne, Rick [Rick.Champagne@legis.wisconsin.gov]

Sent: Thursday, January 27, 2011 5:56 PM

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History: 1981 c. 96, 381; 1983 a. 429; 1987 a. 107; 1987 a. 327, 356; 1987 a. 403 s. 256; 1989 a. 13; 1991 a. 45; 1995 a. 216; 2001 a. 82; 2009 a. 28. Insert 4-13:

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Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2011 9:41 AM

To: Champagne, Rick

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Yes. They could be researchers.

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From: Champagne, Rick [mailto:Rick.Champagne@legis.wisconsin.gov]

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Are they different from graduate assistants? I really don't know.

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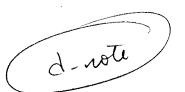
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January 31, 2011

This version assumes that Cathlene's draft on SELRA is in the budget adjustment bill.

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From: Kraus, Jennifer - DOA [jennifer.kraus@wisconsin.gov]

Sent: Sunday, January 30, 2011 4:13 PM

To: Champagne, Rick

Cc: Hanaman, Cathlene; Frederick, Caitlin - DOA

Subject: RE: State Employee BAB drafts

For state employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement under subchapter V of chapter 111 of the statutes that expired on June 30, 2009, but which has been extended, the treatment of sections (list appropriate sections) first applies on the termination of the agreement or the effective date of the act, whichever occurs last.

Assuming this makes sense to you, pls use the above for all of the provisions related to state employees, except the 3-day discharge. For now, leave that one as it is under which it would take effect immediately. I need to double-check that we can do this even with contracts still in place but I think that is the intent.

I think we should stick with the initial app you suggested for municipals.

Thanks - Jenny

From: Champagne, Rick [mailto:Rick.Champagne@legis.wisconsin.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 8:30 AM

To: Kraus, Jennifer - DOA; Frederick, Caitlin - DOA

Cc: Hanaman, Cathlene - LEGIS

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Upon further reflection, a variation for the local government employees covered by contracts:

- (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), for municipal employees, as defined in section 111.70 (1) (i), 2009 stats., who are employed by a municipal employer, as defined in section 111.70 (1) (j), 2009 stats., and who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement that contains provisions inconsistent with this act, the treatment of sections (list affected sections) first applies on the day on which the agreement expires or is terminated, whichever occurs first.
- (2) For municipal employees, as defined in section 111.70 (1) (i), as affected by this act, who are employed by a municipal employer, as defined in section 111.70 (1) (j), as affected by this act, and who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement that contains provisions inconsistent with this act, the treatment of sections (list affected sections) first applies on the day on which the agreement expires or is terminated, whichever occurs first.

From: Champagne, Rick

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 8:18 AM

To: Kraus, Jennifer - DOA; Frederick, Caitlin - DOA

Cc: Hanaman, Cathlene

Subject: RE: State Employee BAB drafts

No this would be for all three drafts -- discharge, health insurance premiums, and WRS contributions.

For locals, other than police or firefighters, which I believe retain collective bargaining rights under Cathlene's draft amending MERA, language would be be the usual, with a twist:

For municipal employees, who are employed by a municipal employer, as defined in section 111.70 (1) (j), 2009 stats., , and who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement that contains provisions inconsistent with this act, the treatment of sections (list affected sections) first applies on the day on which the agreement expires or is terminated, whichever occurs first.

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Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 8:07 AM **To:** Champagne, Rick; Frederick, Caitlin - DOA

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are you thinking for the discharge draft? what would be the parallel language for the other drafts where the issue is non-state employees?

From: Champagne, Rick [mailto:Rick.Champagne@legis.wisconsin.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 8:04 AM

To: Kraus, Jennifer - DOA; Frederick, Caitlin - DOA

Cc: Hanaman, Cathlene - LEGIS

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What about this for an Initial Applicability provision for state employees covered by extended contracts:

For state employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement under subchapter V of chapter 111 of the statutes that expired on June 30, 2009, but which has been extended to June 30, 2011, unless terminated earlier, the treatment of sections (list appropriate sections) first applies on the expiration or termination of the agreement, whichever occurs first.

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Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 7:54 AM **To:** Champagne, Rick; Frederick, Caitlin - DOA

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I think the distinction on the first point is that the discharge draft only applies to state employees where all contracts are only extended whereas with the other two we need to put in some language about the existing contracts. I will discuss with DOA Legal and OSER today and see if there is some other wording that accomplishes that intent that doesn't raise their concerns.

On the second point, I discussed this a bit with Dave last night and we concluded that we should just transfer the existing employees of the Board to the Authority in order to minimize disruption. I have a 9:00 meeting this morning where I will confirm this direction and will let you know.

Thanks - Jenny

From: Champagne, Rick [mailto:Rick.Champagne@legis.wisconsin.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 7:28 AM

To: Frederick, Caitlin - DOA; Kraus, Jennifer - DOA

Cc: Hanaman, Cathlene - LEGIS **Subject:** State Employee BAB drafts

Good Morning Caitlin and Jenny:

I thought I would touch base on how you want to handle the initial applicability provisions of the various drafts. We seem to have different treatments in different drafts and I thought we might want to try to harmonize them now when we have a little time. I think we are agreed that the BAB will contain Cathlene's provisions repealing SELRA. Hence, the question becomes, what do we need in terms of preserving collective bargaining rights under any extended agreements covering state employees? LRB-1151/2 (the discharge draft) applies right way, regardless of extended collective bargaining agreements. LRB-639/7 (the health insurance draft) has a collective bargaining initial applicability provision, and LRB-0757/5 (the WRS contribution draft) also has a collective bargaining initial applicability section.

Should all of these drafts be the same? Or is there a distinction that you are making between the discharge draft and the other two?

Also, one other issue with respect to the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Board draft, LRB-0732/1. We are simply eliminating the UWHCB without providing any mechanism for transferring employees to the Authority or requiring the Authority to offer them employment, etc. You should be aware that what will happen then is that these employees are subject to layoff. Their collective bargaining agreements contain a host of provisions regarding notice and rights affecting state employees subject to layoff. You may wish to have DOA attorneys and OSER folks look at the contracts to make sure that they are clear on what kinds of notice must be provided to employees. Everything might not be able to happen on the bill's effective date.

Rick



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Sent:

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we are fine with this. Thanks - Jenny

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Jenny/Caitlin:

Getting back to or favorite subject -- Initial Applicability provisions for represented employees -- I would like to suggest the following language for the WRS contribution draft (11-0757) and the health insurance draft (11-0639). This language is based on the assumption that both SELRA and MERA will continue, albeit with the reduced areas of bargaining for almost all employees:

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This is our usual boilerplate, modified to include the word "terminated" which appears in bold. I believe that this captures every scenario at both the state and local level: expired but extended contracts, expired contracts, and current contracts. I fear that in our efforts to try to nail down unusual events (like the current contracts under SELRA), we may be inadvertently creating confusion. The Initial Applicability provision I've presented above, as modified, is not that much different from the boilerplate language that appears in scores of bills every session (and has for 30 years) and will address the contingency of expired but extended contracts.

Can I go with this?

Rick



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State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



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This bill provides instead that the employer may not pay more than 88 percent of the average premium cost of plans offered in the tier with the lowest employee premium cost. For employees who work less than 1,566 hours a year, with exceptions, the employer must pay an amount not more than 50 percent of the employer contribution for employees who work more than 1,565 hours a year. Under the bill, the actual employer and employee share of premium costs is established on an annual basis by the director of the Office of State Employment Relations.

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The bill further provides that a local government employer who participates in the local government health insurance plan offered by GIB may not participate in the plan if it intends to pay more than 88 percent of the average premium cost of plans offered in any tier with the lowest employee premium cost.

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:

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40.02 (25) (b) 2. Any person employed as a <u>teaching assistant or</u> graduate assistant and other employees-in-training as are designated by the board of regents of the university, who are employed on at least a one-third full-time basis.

Section 2. 40.05 (4) (ag) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

40.05 (4) (ag) Except as otherwise provided in a collective bargaining agreement under subch. V of ch. 111, the employer shall pay for its currently employed insured employees:

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Section 9115. Nonstatutory provisions; Employee Trust Funds.

- (1) STATE EMPLOYEE HEALTH CARE COVERAGE.
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