

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2013 Senate Bill 31	Senate Amendment 1
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2013 Senate Bill 31 creates a local freight bridge program administered by the Department of Transportation (DOT). Under the program, DOT reimburses political subdivisions for up to 90% of the eligible costs of projects for local bridges used by vehicles or combinations of vehicles operating in compliance with ch. 348, Stats., at a gross weight in excess of 80,000 pounds. The bill also creates appropriations of \$5,000,000 for the 2013-14 fiscal year and \$5,000,000 for the 2014-15 fiscal year. The rulemaking provisions of the bill take effect on the day after publication. The substantive provisions of the bill take effect on the later of the first day of the 4th month beginning after publication, or on the second day after publication of the 2013-15 Biennial Budget Act.

Senate Amendment 1 terminates the program, makes any rule promulgated under the program ineffective, and prohibits using any moneys from the appropriation account created in the bill after December 31, 2017. The amendment also changes the deadline for DOT to submit proposed rules for administration of the program to the Legislative Council Staff to December 31, 2014. Additionally, it changes the date for the statutory changes to take effect to January 1, 2015.

<u>Bill History</u>

On January 16, 2014, the Senate Committee on Transportation, Public Safety, and Veterans and Military Affairs introduced and adopted Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 31, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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