1 Section 264. 71.47 (3w) (a) 5e. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (**3w**) (a) 5e. "Tier II county or municipality" means a tier II county or municipality, as determined under <u>s. 555.399</u> or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats.

SECTION 265. 71.47 (3w) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (**3w**) (b) *Filing claims; payroll*. (intro.) Subject to the limitations provided in this subsection and <u>s. 555.399</u> or s. 238.399, <u>2013 stats.</u>, or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under s. 71.43 an amount calculated as follows:

SECTION 266. 71.47 (3w) (b) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (3w) (b) 5. Multiply the amount determined under subd. 4. by the percentage determined under s. 555.399 or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., not to exceed 7 percent.

SECTION 267. 71.47 (3w) (bm) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (3w) (bm) 1. In addition to the credits under par. (b) and subds. 2., 3., and 4., and subject to the limitations provided in this subsection and s. 555.399 or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under s. 71.43 an amount equal to a percentage, as determined under s. 555.399 or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., not to exceed 100 percent, of the amount the claimant paid in the taxable year to upgrade or improve the job-related skills of any of the claimant's full-time employees, to train any of the claimant's full-time employees on the use of job-related new technologies, or to provide job-related training to any full-time employee whose employment with the claimant represents the employee's first full-time job. This subdivision does not apply to employees who do not work in an enterprise zone.

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Section 268. 71.47 (3w) (bm) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (3w) (bm) 2. In addition to the credits under par. (b) and subds. 1., 3., and 4., and subject to the limitations provided in this subsection and s. 555.399 or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under s. 71.43 an amount equal to the percentage, as determined under s. 555.399 or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., not to exceed 7 percent, of the claimant's zone payroll paid in the taxable year to all of the claimant's full-time employees whose annual wages are greater than the amount determined by multiplying 2,080 by 150 percent of the federal minimum wage in a tier I county or municipality, not including the wages paid to the employees determined under par. (b) 1., or greater than \$30,000 in a tier II county or municipality, not including the wages paid to the employees determined under par. (b) 1., and who the claimant employed in the enterprise zone in the taxable year, if the total number of such employees is equal to or greater than the total number of such employees in the base year. A claimant may claim a credit under this subdivision for no more than 5 consecutive taxable years.

Section 269. 71.47 (3w) (bm) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (3w) (bm) 3. In addition to the credits under par. (b) and subds. 1., 2., and 4., and subject to the limitations provided in this subsection and <u>s. 555.399</u> or s. 238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008, a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under s. 71.43 up to 10 percent of the claimant's significant capital expenditures, as determined under <u>s. 555.399 (5m)</u> or s. 238.399 (5m), 2013 stats., or s. 560.799 (5m), 2009 stats.

Section 270. 71.47 (3w) (bm) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

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71.47 (3w) (bm) 4. In addition to the credits under par. (b) and subds. 1., 2., and
3., and subject to the limitations provided in this subsection and $\underline{s.\ 555.399}$ or $\underline{s.}$
238.399, 2013 stats., or s. 560.799, 2009 stats., for taxable years beginning after
December 31, 2009, a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under
s. 71.43, up to 1 percent of the amount that the claimant paid in the taxable year to
purchase tangible personal property, items, property, or goods under s. $77.52(1)(b)$,
(c), or (d), or services from Wisconsin vendors, as determined under $\underline{\text{s. }555.399}$ (5) (e)
$\underline{\text{or}}$ s. 238.399 (5) (e), $\underline{2013}$ stats., or s. 560.799 (5) (e), 2009 stats., except that the
claimant may not claim the credit under this subdivision and subd. 3. for the same
expenditures.

SECTION 271. 71.47 (3w) (c) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (3w) (c) 3. No credit may be allowed under this subsection unless the claimant includes with the claimant's return a copy of the claimant's certification for tax benefits under <u>s. 555.399 (5) or (5m) or s. 238.399 (5) or (5m), 2013 stats.</u>, or s. 560.799 (5) or (5m), 2009 stats.

SECTION 272. 71.47 (3w) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (3w) (d) Administration. Section 71.28 (4) (g) and (h), as it applies to the credit under s. 71.28 (4), applies to the credit under this subsection. Claimants shall include with their returns a copy of their certification for tax benefits, and a copy of the verification of their expenses, from the department of commerce or the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation or the department of economic opportunity.

SECTION 273. 71.47 (3y) (a) 1. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is amended to read:

71.47 (3y) (a) 1. "Claimant" means a person certified to receive tax benefits under s. 238.308 555.308.

1	Section 274. 71.47 (3y) (a) 2. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
2	55, is amended to read:
3	71.47 (3y) (a) 2. "Eligible employee" has the meaning given in s. 238.308
4	<u>555.308</u> (1) (a).
5	SECTION 275. 71.47 (3y) (b) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin
6	Act 55, is amended to read:
7	71.47 (3y) (b) Filing claims. (intro.) Subject to the limitations provided in this
8	subsection and s. 238.308 555.308, for taxable years beginning after December 31,
9	2015, a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under s. 71.43 all of
10	the following:
11	Section 276. 71.47 (3y) (b) 1. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
12	55, is amended to read:
13	71.47 (3y) (b) 1. The amount of wages that the claimant paid to an eligible
14	employee in the taxable year, not to exceed 10 percent of such wages, as determined
15	by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic
16	opportunity under s. 238.308 <u>555.308</u> .
17	SECTION 277. 71.47 (3y) (b) 2. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
18	55, is amended to read:
19	71.47 (3y) (b) 2. In addition to any amount claimed for an eligible employee
20	under subd. 1., the amount of wages that the claimant paid to the eligible employee
21	in the taxable year, not to exceed 5 percent of such wages, if the eligible employee is
22	employed in an economically distressed area, as determined by the Wisconsin
23	Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity.
24	Section 278. 71.47 (3y) (b) 3. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
25	55, is amended to read:

71.47 (3y) (b) 3. The amount of training costs that the claimant incurred under
s. 238.308 555.308 (4) (a) 3., not to exceed 50 percent of such costs, as determined by
the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic
opportunity.
SECTION 279. 71.47 (3y) (b) 4. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
55, is amended to read:
71.47 (3y) (b) 4. The amount of the personal property investment, not to exceed
3 percent of such investment, and the amount of the real property investment, not
to exceed 5 percent of such investment, in a capital investment project that satisfies
s. 238.308 555.308 (4) (a) 4., as determined by the Wisconsin Economic Development
Corporation department of economic opportunity.
Section 280. 71.47 (3y) (b) 5. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
55, is amended to read:
71.47 (3y) (b) 5. An amount, as determined by the Wisconsin Economic
Development Corporation department of economic opportunity under s. 238.308
555.308 (4) (a) 5., equal to a percentage of the amount of wages that the claimant paid
to an eligible employee in the taxable year if the position in which the eligible
employee was employed was created or retained in connection with the claimant's
location or retention of the claimant's corporate headquarters in Wisconsin and the
job duties associated with the eligible employee's position involve the performance
of corporate headquarters functions.
Section 281. 71.47 (3y) (c) 2. of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act
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71.47 (3y) (c) 2. No credit may be allowed under this subsection unless the claimant includes with the claimant's return a copy of the claimant's certification for tax benefits under s. 238.308 555.308.

SECTION 282. 71.47 (4) (am) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is amended to read:

71.47 (4) (am) Development zone additional research credit. In addition to the credit under par. (ad), any corporation may credit against taxes otherwise due under this chapter an amount equal to 5 percent of the amount obtained by subtracting from the corporation's qualified research expenses, as defined in section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, except that "qualified research expenses" include only expenses incurred by the claimant in a development zone under subch. III of ch. 555 or subch. II of ch. 238, 2013 stats., or subch. VI of ch. 560, 2009 stats., except that a taxpayer may elect the alternative computation under section 41 (c) (4) of the Internal Revenue Code and that election applies until the department permits its revocation and except that "qualified research expenses" does not include research expenses incurred before the claimant is certified for tax benefits under s. 555.365 (3) or s. 238.365 (3), 2013 stats., or s. 560.765 (3), 2009 stats., or the corporation's base amount, as defined in section 41 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, in a development zone, except that gross receipts used in calculating the base amount means gross receipts from sales attributable to Wisconsin under s. 71.25 (9) (b) 1. and 2., (df) 1. and 2., (dh) 1., 2., and 3., (dj), and (dk) and research expenses used in calculating the base amount include research expenses incurred before the claimant is certified for tax benefits under s. 555.365 (3) or s. 238.365 (3), 2013 stats., or s. 560.765 (3), 2009 stats., in a development zone, if the claimant submits with the claimant's return a copy of the claimant's certification for tax benefits under s. 555.365 (3) or s. 238.365

(3), 2013 stats., or s. 560.765 (3), 2009 stats., and a statement from the department of commerce or the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation or the department of economic opportunity verifying the claimant's qualified research expenses for research conducted exclusively in a development zone. The rules under s. 73.03 (35) apply to the credit under this paragraph. Section 41 (h) of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply to the credit under this paragraph. No credit may be claimed under this paragraph for taxable years that begin on January 1, 1998, or thereafter. Credits under this paragraph for taxable years that begin before January 1, 1998, may be carried forward to taxable years that begin on January 1, 1998, or thereafter.

SECTION 283. 71.47 (5b) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 **(5b)** (a) 2. "Fund manager" means an investment fund manager certified under <u>s. 555.15 (2) or</u> s. 238.15 (2), 2013 stats., or s. 560.205 (2), 2009 stats.

SECTION 284. 71.47 (5b) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (5b) (b) 1. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, subject to the limitations provided under this subsection and <u>s. 555.15 or</u> s. 238.15, 2013 stats., or s. 560.205, 2009 stats., and except as provided in subd. 2., a claimant may claim as a credit against the tax imposed under s. 71.43, up to the amount of those taxes, 25 percent of the claimant's investment paid to a fund manager that the fund manager invests in a business certified under <u>s. 555.15 (1) or</u> s. 238.15 (1), 2013 stats., or s. 560.205 (1), 2009 stats.

SECTION 285. 71.47 (5b) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (5b) (b) 2. In the case of a partnership, limited liability company, or tax-option corporation, the computation of the 25 percent limitation under subd. 1. shall be determined at the entity level rather than the claimant level and may be

allocated among the claimants who make investments in the manner set forth in the entity's organizational documents. The entity shall provide to the department of revenue and to the department of commerce or the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity the names and tax identification numbers of the claimants, the amounts of the credits allocated to the claimants, and the computation of the allocations.

Section 286. 71.47 (5b) (d) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (5b) (d) 3. Except as provided under s. 238.15 555.15 (3) (d) (intro.), for investments made after December 31, 2007, if an investment for which a claimant claims a credit under par. (b) is held by the claimant for less than 3 years, the claimant shall pay to the department, in the manner prescribed by the department, the amount of the credit that the claimant received related to the investment.

SECTION 287. 71.47 (6) (c) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.47 (6) (c) (intro.) No person may claim the credit under par. (a) 2m. unless the claimant includes with the claimant's return a copy of the claimant's certification under s. 238.17 555.17. For certification purposes under s. 238.17 555.17, the claimant shall provide to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity all of the following:

Section 288. 71.78 (4) (m) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.78 (4) (m) The chief executive officer secretary of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation economic opportunity and employees of the corporation department of economic opportunity to the extent necessary to administer the development zone program under subch. II of ch. 238 555.

SECTION 289. 73.03 (35) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is amended to read:

1	73.03 (35) To deny a portion of a credit claimed under s. 71.07 (2dm) or (2dx),
2	71.28 (1dm), (1dx), or (4) (am), 71.47 (1dm), (1dx), or (4) (am), or 76.636 if granting
3	the full amount claimed would violate a requirement under <u>s. 555.385 or</u> s. 238.385,
4	2013 stats., or s. 560.785, 2009 stats., or would bring the total of the credits granted
5	to that claimant under all of those subsections over the limit for that claimant under
6	<u>s. 555.368, 555.395 (2) (b), or 555.397 (5) (b) or</u> s. 238.368, <u>2013 stats.</u> , 238.395 (2) (b),
7	2013 stats., or 238.397 (5) (b), 2013 stats., or s. 560.768, 2009 stats., s. 560.795 (2) (b),
8	2009 stats., or s. 560.797 (5) (b), 2009 stats.
9	SECTION 290. 73.03 (35m) of the statutes is amended to read:
10	73.03 (35m) To deny a portion of a credit claimed under s. 71.07 (3g), 71.28 (3g),
11	or 71.47 (3g), if granting the full amount claimed would violate a requirement under
12	s. 555.23 or s. 238.23, 2013 stats., or s. 560.96, 2009 stats., or would bring the total
13	of the credits claimed under ss. 71.07 (3g), 71.28 (3g), and 71.47 (3g) over the limit
14	for all claimants under <u>s. $555.23(2)$ or</u> s. $238.23(2)$, 2013 stats., or s. $560.96(2)$, 2009
15	stats.
16	SECTION 291. 75.106 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
17	75.106 (1) (a) "Brownfield" has the meaning given in s. 238.13 555.13 (1) (a),
18	except that, for purposes of this section, "brownfield" also means abandoned, idle, or
19	underused residential facilities or sites, the expansion or redevelopment of which is
20	adversely affected by actual or perceived environmental contamination.
21	SECTION 292. 76.636 (1) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:
22	76.636 (1) (b) 1. A development zone under <u>s. 555.30 or</u> s. 238.30 <u>, 2013 stats.</u> ,
23	or s. 560.70, 2009 stats.

SECTION 293. 76.636 (1) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

1	76.636 (1) (b) 2. A development opportunity zone under <u>s. 555.395</u> or s. 238.395
2	<u>2013 stats.</u> , or s. 560.795, 2009 stats.
3	SECTION 294. 76.636 (1) (b) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:
4	76.636 (1) (b) 3. An enterprise development zone under <u>s. 555.397 or</u> s. 238.397
5	<u>2013 stats.</u> , or s. 560.797, 2009 stats.
6	SECTION 295. 76.636 (1) (b) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:
7	76.636 (1) (b) 4. An agricultural development zone under s. 555.398 or s.
8	238.398 <u>, 2013 stats.</u> , or s. 560.798, 2009 stats.
9	SECTION 296. 76.636 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:
10	76.636 (1) (d) "Full-time job" has the meaning given in s. 238.30 <u>555.30</u> (2m).
11	SECTION 297. 76.636 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
12	76.636 (2) CREDITS. (intro.) Except as provided in s. 73.03 (35), and subject to
13	s. 555.385 or s. 238.385, 2013 stats., or s. 560.785, 2009 stats., for any taxable year
14	for which an insurer is entitled under s. 555.395 or s. 238.395, 2013 stats., or s.
15	560.795 (3), 2009 stats., to claim tax benefits or certified under <u>s. 555.365 (3), 555.397</u>
16	(4), or 555.398 (3) or s. 238.365 (3), <u>2013 stats., s.</u> 238.397 (4), <u>2013 stats.</u> , or <u>s.</u> 238.398
17	(3), 2013 stats., or s. 560.765 (3), 2009 stats., s. 560.797 (4), 2009 stats., or s. 560.798
18	(3), 2009 stats., the insurer may claim as a credit against the fees due under s. 76.60,
19	76.63, 76.65, 76.66, or 76.67 the following amounts:
20	SECTION 298. 76.636 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:
21	76.636 (2) (b) The amount determined by multiplying the amount determined
22	under <u>s. 555.385 (1) (b) or</u> s. 238.385 (1) (b), <u>2013 stats.</u> , or s. 560.785 (1) (b), <u>2009</u>
23	stats., by the number of full-time jobs created in a development zone and filled by
24	a member of a targeted group and by then subtracting the subsidies paid under s.
25	49.147 (3) (a) for those jobs.

SECTION 299. 76.636 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.636 (2) (c) The amount determined by multiplying the amount determined under s. 555.385 (1) (c) or s. 238.385 (1) (c), 2013 stats., or s. 560.785 (1) (c), 2009 stats., by the number of full-time jobs created in a development zone and not filled by a member of a targeted group and by then subtracting the subsidies paid under s. 49.147 (3) (a) for those jobs.

SECTION 300. 76.636 (2) (d) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act.

SECTION 300. 76.636 (2) (d) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is amended to read:

76.636 (2) (d) The amount determined by multiplying the amount determined under s. 555.385 (1) (bm) or s. 238.385 (1) (bm), 2013 stats., or s. 560.785 (1) (bm), 2009 stats., by the number of full-time jobs retained, as provided in the rules under s. 555.385 or s. 238.385, 2013 stats., or s. 560.785, 2009 stats., in an enterprise development zone under s. 555.397 or s. 238.397, 2013 stats., or s. 560.797, 2009 stats., and for which significant capital investment was made and by then subtracting the subsidies paid under s. 49.147 (3) (a) for those jobs.

SECTION 301. 76.636 (2) (e) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is amended to read:

76.636 (2) (e) The amount determined by multiplying the amount determined under s. 555.385 (1) (c) or s. 238.385 (1) (c), 2013 stats., or s. 560.785 (1) (c), 2009 stats., by the number of full-time jobs retained, as provided in the rules under s. 555.385 or s. 238.385, 2013 stats., or s. 560.785, 2009 stats., in a development zone and not filled by a member of a targeted group and by then subtracting the subsidies paid under s. 49.147 (3) (a) for those jobs.

Section 302. 76.636 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.636 (4) CREDIT PRECLUDED. (intro.) If the certification of a person for tax
benefits under $\underline{\text{s.}}\ 555.365\ (3),\ 555.397\ (4),\ \text{or}\ 555.398\ (3)\ \text{or}\ \text{s.}\ 238.365\ (3),\ \underline{2013\ \text{stats.}},$
<u>s.</u> 238.397 (4), <u>2013 stats.</u> , or <u>s.</u> 238.398 (3), <u>2013 stats.</u> , or s. 560.765 (3), 2009 stats.,
s. 560.797 (4), 2009 stats., or s. 560.798 (3), 2009 stats., is revoked, or if the person
becomes ineligible for tax benefits under <u>s. 555.395 (3) or</u> s. 238.395 (3), <u>2013 stats.</u> ,
or s. 560.795 (3), 2009 stats., that person may not do any of the following:

SECTION 303. 76.636 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.636 (5) CARRY-OVER PRECLUDED. If a person who is entitled under <u>s. 555.395</u> (3) or s. 238.395 (3), 2013 stats., or s. 560.795 (3), 2009 stats., to claim tax benefits or certified under <u>s. 555.365 (3), 555.397 (4), or 555.398 (3) or s. 238.365 (3), 2013 stats., s. 238.397 (4), 2013 stats., or <u>s. 238.398 (3), 2013 stats.</u>, or s. 560.765 (3), 2009 stats., s. 560.797 (4), 2009 stats., or s. 560.798 (3), 2009 stats., for tax benefits ceases business operations in the development zone during any of the taxable years that that zone exists, that person may not carry over to any taxable year following the year during which operations cease any unused credits from the taxable year during which operations cease or from previous taxable years.</u>

SECTION 304. 76.636 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.636 (6) ADMINISTRATION. Any insurer who claims a credit under sub. (2) shall include with the insurer's annual return under s. 76.64 a copy of its certification for tax benefits and a copy of its verification of expenses from the department of commerce or the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation or the department of economic opportunity.

Section 305. 76.637 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.637 (1) DEFINITION. In this section, "claimant" means an insurer who files a claim under this section and is certified under s. 555.301 (2) or s. 238.301 (2), 2013

stats., or s. 560.701 (2), 2009 stats., and authorized to claim tax benefits under s.
 555.303 or s. 238.303, 2013 stats., or s. 560.703, 2009 stats.

Section 306. 76.637 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.637 (2) FILING CLAIMS. Subject to the limitations under this section, <u>ss.</u> 555.301 to 555.306, ss. 238.301 to 238.306, 2013 stats., and ss. 560.701 to 560.706, 2009 stats., for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008, a claimant may claim as a credit against the fees due under s. 76.60, 76.63, 76.65, 76.66, or 76.67 the amount authorized for the claimant under <u>s. 555.303 or</u> s. 238.303, 2013 stats., or s. 560.703, 2009 stats.

Section 307. 76.637 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.637 (3) LIMITATIONS. No credit may be allowed under this section unless the insurer includes with the insurer's annual return under s. 76.64 a copy of the claimant's certification under s. 555.301 (2) or s. 238.301 (2), 2013 stats., or s. 560.701 (2), 2009 stats., and a copy of the claimant's notice of eligibility to receive tax benefits under s. 555.303 (3) or s. 238.303 (3), 2013 stats., or s. 560.703 (3), 2009 stats.

Section 308. 76.637 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.637 (4) ADMINISTRATION. If an insurer's certification is revoked under <u>s.</u> 555.305 or s. 238.305, 2013 stats., or s. 560.705, 2009 stats., or if an insurer becomes ineligible for tax benefits under <u>s. 555.302 or s. 238.302, 2013 stats.</u>, or s. 560.702, 2009 stats., the insurer may not claim credits under this section for the taxable year that includes the day on which the certification is revoked; the taxable year that includes the day on which the insurer becomes ineligible for tax benefits; or succeeding taxable years and the insurer may not carry over unused credits from previous years to offset the fees imposed under ss. 76.60, 76.63, 76.65, 76.66, or 76.67 for the taxable year that includes the day on which certification is revoked; the

1	taxable year that includes the day on which the insurer becomes ineligible for tax
2	benefits; or succeeding taxable years.

SECTION 309. 76.638 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.638 (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section, "fund manager" means an investment fund manager certified under <u>s. 555.15 (2) or</u> s. 238.15 (2), 2013 stats., or s. 560.205 (2), 2009 stats.

SECTION 310. 76.638 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

76.638 (2) FILING CLAIMS. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008, subject to the limitations provided under this subsection and <u>s. 555.15 or s. 238.15</u>, 2013 stats., or s. 560.205, 2009 stats., an insurer may claim as a credit against the fees imposed under s. 76.60, 76.63, 76.65, 76.66, or 76.67, 25 percent of the insurer's investment paid to a fund manager that the fund manager invests in a business certified under <u>s. 555.15 or s. 238.15, 2013 stats.</u>, or s. 560.205 (1), 2009 stats.

SECTION 311. 77.54 (9a) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.54 (9a) (a) This state or any agency thereof, the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority, the Wisconsin Aerospace Authority, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, and the Fox River Navigational System Authority.

SECTION 312. 79.04 (7) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

79.04 (7) (a) Beginning with payments in 2005, if a production plant, as described in sub. (6) (a), other than a nuclear-powered production plant, is built on the site of, or on a site adjacent to, an existing or decommissioned production plant; or is built on a site purchased by a public utility before January 1, 1980, that was identified in an advance plan as a proposed site for a production plant; or is built on, or on a site adjacent to, brownfields, as defined in s. 238.13 555.13 (1) (a) or s. 560.13

(1) (a), 2009 stats., after December 31, 2003, and has a name-plate capacity of at least one megawatt, each municipality and county in which such a production plant is located shall receive annually from the public utility account a payment in an amount that is equal to the number of megawatts that represents the production plant's name-plate capacity, multiplied by \$600.

Section 313. 84.01 (6m) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.01 (6m) (b) (intro.) The department, in consultation with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity, shall do all of the following for each economic development program administered by the department:

SECTION 314. 84.01 (11m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.01 (11m) (a) The department shall coordinate any economic development assistance with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity.

SECTION 315. 84.01 (11m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.01 (11m) (b) Annually, no later than October 1, the department shall submit to the joint legislative audit committee and to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature under s. 13.172 (3) a comprehensive report assessing economic development programs, as defined in sub. (6m) (a), administered by the department. The report shall include all of the information required under s. 238.07 555.07 (2). The department shall collaborate with the Wisconsin–Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity to make readily accessible to the public on an Internet–based system the information required under this subsection.

SECTION 316. 93.07 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.07 (3) PROMOTION OF AGRICULTURE. To promote the interests of agriculture,
dairying, horticulture, manufacturing, commercial fishing and the domestic arts and
to advertise Wisconsin and its dairy, food, and agricultural products by conducting
campaigns of education throughout the United States and in foreign markets. Such
campaigns shall include the distribution of educational and advertising material
concerning Wisconsin and its plant, animal, food, and dairy products. The
department shall coordinate efforts by the state to advertise and promote
agricultural products of this state, with the Wisconsin Economic Development
Corporation department of economic opportunity where appropriate. The
department shall submit its request and plan for market development program
expenditures for each biennium with its biennial budget request. The plan shall
include the identification and priority of expenditures for each market development
program activity.

SECTION 317. 93.07 (18) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.07 (18) (b) (intro.) In consultation with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity, to do all of the following for each economic development program administered by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection:

SECTION 318. 93.07 (20) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.07 (20) (a) The department shall coordinate any economic development assistance with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity.

SECTION 319. 93.07 (20) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.07 (20) (b) Annually, no later than October 1, to submit to the joint legislative audit committee and to the appropriate standing committees of the

legislature under s. 13.172 (3) a comprehensive report assessing economic development programs, as defined in sub. (18) (a), administered by the department. The report shall include all of the information required under s. 238.07 555.07 (2). The department shall collaborate with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity to make readily accessible to the public on an Internet-based system the information required under this subsection.

SECTION 320. 93.33 (5) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.33 (5) ANNUAL REPORT. (intro.) In September of each year, the council shall submit a report to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature as determined by the speaker of the assembly and the president of the senate, under s. 13.172 (3), the governor, the secretary of agriculture, trade and consumer protection, the state superintendent of public instruction, the secretary of workforce development, the secretary of natural resources, the chief executive officer secretary of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation economic opportunity, the president of the University of Wisconsin System, the director of the technical college system, the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Extension, the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-River Falls, and the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. The council shall include all of the following in the report:

Section 321. 93.42 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

93.42 (5) Cooperating with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity in promoting the state's products through the state's foreign trade offices.

SECTION 322. 100.45 (1) (dm) of the statutes is amended to read:

100.45 (1) (dm) "State agency" means any office, department, agency,
institution of higher education, association, society, or other body in state
government created or authorized to be created by the constitution or any law which
is entitled to expend moneys appropriated by law, including the legislature and the
courts, the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority, the Bradley
Center Sports and Entertainment Corporation, the University of Wisconsin
Hospitals and Clinics Authority, the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities
Authority, the Wisconsin Aerospace Authority, the Wisconsin Economic
Development Corporation, and the Fox River Navigational System Authority.

Section 323. 106.16 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.16 (3) A state agency or an authority under ch. 231 or 234 shall notify the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity if it makes a loan or grant to a company.

SECTION 324. 106.27 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.27 (2m) Consultation. The department shall consult with the technical college system board and the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity in implementing this section.

SECTION 325. 114.31 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

as is reasonably possible, offer the engineering or other technical service of the department, to any municipality desiring them in connection with the construction, maintenance or operation or proposed construction, maintenance or operation of an airport. The secretary may assess reasonable costs for services including services performed while acting as agent for a municipality. Such assessment shall include properly allocated administrative costs. Municipalities are authorized to cooperate

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1 with the secretary in the development of aeronautics and aeronautical facilities in $\mathbf{2}$ this state. The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and all All agencies 3 are authorized and directed to make available such facilities and services, and to 4 cooperate as far as possible to promote the best interests of aeronautics of the state. 5 **Section 326.** 196.49 (4) of the statutes is amended to read: 6 196.49 (4) The commission may not issue a certificate under sub. (1), (2), or (3) 7 for the construction of electric generating equipment and associated facilities unless 8 the commission determines that brownfields, as defined in s. 238.13 555.13 (1) (a) or 9 s. 560.13 (1) (a), 2009 stats., are used to the extent practicable. 10 **SECTION 327.** 196.491 (3) (a) 2m. b. of the statutes is amended to read: 11 196.491 (3) (a) 2m. b. The applicant proposes alternative construction sites for 12 the facility that are contiguous or proximate, provided that at least one of the 13 proposed sites is a brownfield, as defined in s. 238.13 555.13 (1) (a), or the site of a 14 former or existing large electric generating facility. 15 **Section 328.** 196.491 (3) (d) 8. of the statutes is amended to read: 16 196.491 (3) (d) 8. For a large electric generating facility, brownfields, as defined 17 in s. 238.13 555.13 (1) (a), are used to the extent practicable. 18 Section 329. 230.03 (3) of the statutes, as affected by 2013 Wisconsin Act 20, 19 is amended to read: 20 230.03 (3) "Agency" means any board, commission, committee, council, or 21 department in state government or a unit thereof created by the constitution or 22 statutes if such board, commission, committee, council, department, unit, or the 23 head thereof, is authorized to appoint subordinate staff by the constitution or

statute, except the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, a

legislative or judicial board, commission, committee, council, department, or unit

thereof or an authority created under subch. II of ch. 114 or under ch. 231, 232, 233, 234, 237, 238, or 279. "Agency" does not mean any local unit of government or body within one or more local units of government that is created by law or by action of one or more local units of government.

SECTION 330. 230.81 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

230.81 (2) Nothing in this section prohibits an employee from disclosing information to an appropriate law enforcement agency, a state or federal district attorney in whose jurisdiction the crime is alleged to have occurred, a state or federal grand jury or a judge in a proceeding commenced under s. 968.26, or disclosing information pursuant to any subpoena issued by any person authorized to issue subpoenas under s. 885.01. Any such disclosure of information, or a report under sub. (4), is a lawful disclosure under this section and is protected under s. 230.83.

Section 331. 230.81 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

230.81 (4) Any employee of the department of economic opportunity who is aware that a fraud has been perpetrated against that department shall report or cause that fraud to be reported to the department of justice or the appropriate district attorney.

Section 332. 234.02 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.02 (1) There is created a public body corporate and politic to be known as the "Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority." The members of the authority shall be the chief executive officer of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation secretary of economic opportunity or his or her designee and the secretary of administration or his or her designee, and 6 public members nominated by the governor, and with the advice and consent of the senate appointed, for staggered 4-year terms commencing on the dates their predecessors' terms expire.

In addition, one senator of each party and one representative to the assembly of each party appointed as are the members of standing committees in their respective houses shall serve as members of the authority. A member of the authority shall receive no compensation for services but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the discharge of duties. Subject to the bylaws of the authority respecting resignations, each member shall hold office until a successor has been appointed and has qualified. A certificate of appointment or reappointment of any member shall be filed with the authority and the certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the due and proper appointment.

Section 333. 234.032 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.032 (2) (intro.) The authority, in consultation with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity, shall do all of the following for each economic development program administered by the authority:

Section 334. 234.08 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.08 (5) This section does not supersede or impair the power of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity to carry out its program responsibilities relating to economic development which are funded by bonds or notes issued under this section.

SECTION 335. 234.08 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.08 (6) The authority may reimburse the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity its operating costs to carry out its program responsibilities relating to economic development which are funded by bonds or notes issued under this section.

SECTION 336. 234.255 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

1	234.255 (1) The authority shall coordinate any economic development
2	assistance with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of
3	economic opportunity.
4	Section 337. 234.255 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
5	234.255 (2) Annually, no later than October 1, the authority shall submit to the
6	joint legislative audit committee and to the appropriate standing committees of the
7	legislature under s. 13.172 (3) a comprehensive report assessing economic
8	development programs, as defined in s. 234.032 (1), administered by the authority.
9	The report shall include all of the information required under s. 238.07 ± 555.07 (2).
10	The authority shall collaborate with the Wisconsin Economic Development
11	Corporation department of economic opportunity to make readily accessible to the
12	public on an Internet-based system the information required under this section.
13	SECTION 338. 234.84 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
14	234.84 (1) Definition. In this section, "corporation" "department" means the
15	Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity.
16	SECTION 339. 234.84 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:
17	234.84 (3) (c) The interest rate on the loan, including any origination fees or
18	other charges, is approved by the corporation <u>department</u> .
19	SECTION 340. 234.84 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:
20	234.84 (4) (a) Subject to par. (b), the authority shall guarantee collection of a
21	percentage of the principal of, and all interest and any other amounts outstanding
22	on, any loan eligible for a guarantee under sub. (2). The corporation department
23	shall establish the percentage of the principal of an eligible loan that will be
24	guaranteed, using the procedures described in the agreement under s. 234.932 (3)
25	(a). The corporation department may establish a single percentage for all

1	guaranteed	loans	or	establish	different	percentages	for	eligible	loans	on	an
2	individual b	asis.									

SECTION 341. 234.84 (5) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.84 (5) (a) The program under this section shall be administered by the corporation department with the cooperation of the authority. The corporation department shall enter into a memorandum of understanding with the authority setting forth the respective responsibilities of the corporation department and the authority with regard to the administration of the program, including the functions and responsibilities specified in s. 234.932. The memorandum of understanding shall provide for reimbursement to the corporation department by the authority for costs incurred by the corporation department in the administration of the program.

SECTION 342. 234.84 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.84 (5) (b) The <u>corporation department</u> may charge a premium, fee, or other charge to a borrower of a guaranteed loan under this section for the administration of the loan guarantee.

SECTION 343. 234.932 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

234.932 (3) (c) The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation department of economic opportunity may establish an eligibility criteria review panel, consisting of experts in finance and in the subject area of the job training loan guarantee program, to provide advice about lending requirements and issues related to the job training loan guarantee program.

SECTION 344. Chapter 238 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 345. Subchapter I (title) of chapter 238 [precedes 238.01] of the statutes is renumbered Subchapter I (title) of chapter 555 [precedes 555.01].

SECTION 346. 238.01 (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 555.01 (intro.).

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1	SECTION 347. 238.01 (1) of the statutes is repealed.
2	Section 348. 238.01 (2) of the statutes is repealed.
3	Section 349. 238.01 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 555.01 (2).
4	SECTION 350. 238.02 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
5	repealed.
6	SECTION 351. 238.03 (title) and (1) to (3) of the statutes are renumbered 555.03
7	(title) and (1) to (3), and 555.03 (title), (1), (2) (intro.) and (c) and (3) (intro.), (a) and
8	(b) (intro.), as renumbered, are amended to read:
9	555.03 (title) Duties of board the department.
10	(1) The board department shall develop and implement economic programs to
11	promote family-supporting jobs, to provide business support and expertise and
12	financial assistance to companies that are investing and creating jobs in Wisconsin
13	and to support new business start-ups and business expansion and growth in
14	Wisconsin. The board department may also develop and implement any other
15	programs related to economic development in Wisconsin. The department shall
16	emphasize programs that encourage entrepreneurship, new business start-ups, and
17	woman-owned, disabled-veteran owned, and minority businesses.
18	(2) (intro.) For each program developed and implemented by the beard
19	department, the board department shall do all of the following:
20	(c) Require that each recipient of a grant or loan under the program submit a
21	report to the corporation department. Each contract with a recipient of a grant or
22	loan under the program must specify the frequency and format of the report to be
23	submitted to the corporation department and the performance measures to be

- (3) (intro.) The <u>board department</u> shall require for each program developed and implemented by the <u>board department</u> all of the following:
- (a) That each recipient of a grant or loan under the program of at least \$100,000 submit to the corporation department, within 120 days after the end of the recipient's fiscal year in which any grant or loan funds were expended, a schedule of expenditures of the grant or loan funds, including expenditures of any matching cash or in-kind match, signed by the director or principal officer of the recipient to attest to the accuracy of the schedule of expenditures. The recipient shall engage an independent certified public accountant to perform procedures, approved by the corporation department and consistent with applicable professional standards of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, to determine whether the grant or loan funds and any matching cash or in-kind match were expended in accordance with the grant or loan contract. The board department shall also require the recipient of such a grant or loan to make available for inspection the documents supporting the schedule of expenditures. The board department shall include the requirements under this paragraph in the contract with grant or loan recipients.
- (b) (intro.) That the board department, if a recipient of a grant or loan under the program submits false or misleading information to the corporation department or fails to comply with the terms of a contract entered into with the corporation department, without providing satisfactory explanation for the noncompliance, do all of the following:
- SECTION 352. 238.03 (4) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is repealed.
 - SECTION 353. 238.04 of the statutes is repealed.
- Section 354. 238.045 of the statutes is repealed.

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- development program of the department; and all agendas, meeting minutes, and
 materials discussed for meetings of the economic development policy board and the
 board of directors of the Badger Innovation Corporation.
 - (4) Annually, beginning in 2014, the board department shall have an independent audit conducted of the corporation's department's financial statements for the previous fiscal year and submit the audit report to the joint legislative audit committee and the chief clerk of each house of the legislature, for distribution to the legislature under s. 13.172 (2).
- 9 Section 359. 238.08 of the statutes is repealed.
- 10 Section 360. 238.09 of the statutes is repealed.
- SECTION 361. 238.10 of the statutes is renumbered 555.10 and amended to read:
 - 555.10 (1) Allocation. The eorporation department shall establish under 26 USC 146 and administer a system for the allocation of the volume cap on the issuance of private activity bonds, as defined under 26 USC 141 (a), among all municipalities, as defined in s. 67.01 (5), and any corporation formed on behalf of those municipalities, and among this state, the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority, the Wisconsin Aerospace Authority, and the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority.
 - (2) AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATION. At any time prior to December 31 in any year, the corporation department may adopt rules to revise the allocation system established for that year under sub. (1), except that any revision under this subsection does not apply to any allocation under which the recipient of that allocation has adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of a private activity bond, as defined in 26 USC 141 (a).

- (3) CONDITIONS. The corporation department may establish any procedure for, and place any condition upon, the granting of an allocation under this section which the corporation department deems to be in the best interest of the state including a requirement that a cash deposit, at a rate established by the corporation department, be a condition for an allocation.
- (4) CERTIFICATION. If the <u>corporation department</u> receives notice of the issuance of a bond under an allocation under subs. (1) to (3), the <u>corporation department</u> shall certify that that bond meets the requirements of 26 USC 146.
- **SECTION 362.** 238.11 of the statutes is renumbered 555.11 and amended to read:
- 555.11 (1) The corporation department shall prescribe the notice forms to be used under s. 66.1103 (4m) (a) 1. The corporation department shall include on the forms a requirement for information on the number of jobs the person submitting the notice expects to be eliminated, created, or maintained on the project site and elsewhere in this state by the project which is the subject of the notice. The corporation department shall prescribe the forms to be used under s. 66.1103 (4m) (b).
- (2) If the corporation department receives a notice under s. 66.1103 (4m) (a), the corporation department shall estimate, no later than 20 days after receipt of the notice, whether the project that is the subject of the notice is expected to eliminate, create, or maintain jobs on the project site and elsewhere in this state and the net number of jobs expected to be eliminated, created, or maintained as a result of the project.

- (5) The corporation department shall issue an estimate made under sub. (2) to the city, village, town, or county which will issue the bonds to finance the project which is the subject of the estimate.

 Section 363, 238,115 of the statutes as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
- SECTION 363. 238.115 of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is renumbered 555.115, and 555.115 (1) (intro.), (a), (b), (e) and (g), (2) and (3), as renumbered, are amended to read:
- 555.115 (1) Corporation Department obligations. (intro.) No later than the end of the first month following each quarter, the corporation department shall provide to the department of revenue all of the following information for the previous quarter:
- (a) The identity of each person the corporation department certified for tax credits under this chapter and, for each person, the amount certified.
- (b) The identity of each person the corporation department verified to claim tax credits under this chapter based on the person's satisfaction of all applicable requirements to be eligible to claim the tax credits and, for each person, the amount verified.
- (e) The identity of each person for whom the corporation <u>department</u> revoked a certification for tax credits and, for each person, the amount revoked.
- (g) Any other information the department of revenue and the corporation department agree is necessary to accurately track certification, verification, transfer, and usage of tax credits under this chapter.
- (2) Each person the <u>corporation department</u> certifies for tax credits under this chapter shall provide all information necessary for the <u>corporation department</u> to comply with the reporting requirements under sub. (1).

1	(3) The department of revenue shall track the amount of all tax credits
2	administered by the corporation department under this chapter that have been
3	claimed or used to offset tax liability and the amount of all available unused tax
4	credits under this chapter.
5	SECTION 364. 238.12 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
6	renumbered 555.12 and amended to read:
7	555.12 Repayment of grants, loans, and tax benefits. (1) (intro.) In this
8	section , "tax :
9	(b) "Tax benefits" means the credits under ss. 71.07 (2dm), (2dx), (3g), and (3t),
10	71.28 (1dm), (1dx), (3g), and (3t), 71.47 (1dm), (1dx), (3g), and (3t), and 76.636.
11	555.12 (2) The corporation may not award a grant or loan under this chapter
12	to a person or certify a person to receive tax benefits unless the corporation enters
13	into an agreement with the person that requires does all of the following:
14	(a) Requires the person to repay the grant, loan, or tax benefits if, within 5 years
15	after receiving the grant or loan or being certified to receive tax benefits, the person
16	ceases to conduct in this state the economic activity for which the person received the
17	grant or loan or for which the person was certified to receive tax benefits and
18	commences substantially the same economic activity outside this state.
19	SECTION 365. 238.123 of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
20	repealed.
21	SECTION 366. 238.125 of the statutes is renumbered 555.125 and amended to
22	read:
23	555.125 Notification of position openings; compliance. The corporation
24	department shall monitor compliance with the position-opening notification
25	requirements under ss. 66.1103 (6m) and 106.16.

Section 367.	238.127 of	the statutes	is renumbered	555.127, and	555.127 (2)
(intro.), (c) (intro.),	(e), (h) and	l (j), as renur	nbered, are ame	ended to read	l:

555.127 (2) (intro.) The corporation department shall establish and administer a state main street program to coordinate state and local participation in programs offered by the national main street center, created by the national trust for historic preservation, to assist municipalities in planning, managing and implementing programs for the revitalization of business areas. The corporation department shall do all of the following:

- (c) (intro.) With help from interested individuals and organizations, develop a plan describing the objectives of the state main street program and the methods by which the corporation department shall:
- (e) Annually select, upon application, up to 5 municipalities to participate in the state main street program. The program for each municipality shall conclude after 3 years, except that the program for each municipality selected after July 29, 1995, shall conclude after 5 years. The corporation department shall select program participants representing various geographical regions and populations. A municipality may apply to participate, and the corporation department may select a municipality for participation, more than one time. In selecting a municipality, however, the corporation department may give priority to those municipalities that have not previously participated.
- (h) Provide training, technical assistance and information on the revitalization of business areas to municipalities which do not participate in the state main street program. The corporation department may charge reasonable fees for the services and information provided under this paragraph.

1	(j) The corporation department shall expend at least \$250,000 annually on the
2	state main street program.
3	Section 368. 238.13 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
4	renumbered 555.13, and 555.13 (2) (a) (intro.), (3) (intro.) and (f) and (5), as
5	renumbered, are amended to read:
6	555.13 (2) (a) (intro.) The corporation department may make a grant to a
7	person if all of the following apply:
8	(3) (intro.) The corporation department may consider the following criteria in
9	making awards under this section:
10	(f) Any other factors considered by the corporation department to be relevant
11	to assessing the viability and feasibility of the project.
12	(5) Before the corporation department awards a grant under this section, the
13	corporation department shall consider the recommendations of the department of
14	natural resources.
15	Section 369. 238.133 of the statutes is renumbered 555.133, and 555.133 (2)
16	(title), (a), (b), (c) and (d), (3) (intro.), (4), (5) (intro.) and (c) and (7), as renumbered,
17	are amended to read:
18	555.133 (2) (title) Duties of the corporation department.
19	(a) The corporation department shall administer a program to award
20	brownfield site assessment grants from the appropriation under s. 20.192 ± 0.143 (1)
21	(s) to local governmental units for the purposes of conducting any of the eligible
22	activities under sub. (3).
23	(b) The corporation department may not award a grant to a local governmental
24	unit under this section if that local governmental unit caused the environmental
25	contamination that is the basis for the grant request.

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- (c) The <u>corporation department</u> may only award grants under this section if the person that caused the environmental contamination that is the basis for the grant request is unknown, cannot be located or is financially unable to pay the cost of the eligible activities.
- (d) The corporation department shall establish criteria as necessary to administer the program. The corporation department may limit the total amount of funds that may be used to cover the costs of each category of eligible activity described in sub. (3).
- (3) (intro.) The <u>corporation department</u> may award grants to local governmental units to cover the costs of the following activities:
- (4) The applicant shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the corporation department and shall include any information that the corporation department finds necessary to calculate the amount of a grant.
- (5) (intro.) The <u>corporation department</u> shall consider the following criteria when determining whether to award a grant:
- (c) Other criteria that the <u>corporation department</u> finds necessary to calculate the amount of a grant.
- (7) The corporation department may not distribute a grant unless the applicant contributes matching funds equal to 20% of the grant. Matching funds may be in the form of cash or in-kind contribution or both.
- **SECTION 370.** 238.135 of the statutes is renumbered 555.135 and amended to read:
- 555.135 Grants to regional economic development organizations. The corporation department shall award annual grants to regional economic development organizations to fund marketing activities. The amount of each grant

1	may not exceed \$100,000 or the amount of matching funds the organization obtains
2	from sources other than the corporation or the state, whichever is less.
3	SECTION 371. 238.14 of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
4	renumbered 555.14 and amended to read:
5	555.14 St. Croix Valley Business Incubator. From the appropriation under
6	s. $20.192 \ \underline{20.143} \ (1) \ (a)$, the corporation department shall make a grant of \$250,000
7	to the River Falls Economic Development Corporation to construct the St. Croix
8	Valley Business Incubator. The corporation department may award the grant under
9	this section only if federal moneys are secured for the same purpose.
10	SECTION 372. 238.145 of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
11	$renumbered\ 555.145,\ and\ 555.145\ (1)\ (a),\ (2)\ (a),\ (b)\ and\ (c),\ (3)\ (a)\ and\ (b),\ (5)\ (a)\ and\ (b),\ (5)\ (a)\ and\ (b),\ (5)\ (a)\ and\ (b),\ (5)\ (a)\ and\ (b),\ (6)\ (a)\ and\ (b),\ (6)\ (a)\ and\ (6)\ (6)\ (6)\ (6)\ (6)\ (6)\ (6)\ (6)$
12	(b) (intro.), 1., 2. and 3. and (6), as renumbered, are amended to read:
13	555.145 (1) (a) "Eligible recipient" means a person the corporation department
14	certifies under sub. (2) (b) as eligible to receive grants under this section.
15	(2) (a) The corporation department shall implement an economic development
16	program to award grants under this section.
17	(b) The corporation department may certify a person as eligible to receive
18	grants under this section as provided in policies and procedures rules adopted by the
19	corporation department under sub. (6).
20	(c) The corporation department may not certify a person under par. (b) after
21	June 30, 2017.
22	(3) (a) From the appropriation under s. $20.192 \ \underline{20.143}$ (1) (a), the corporation
23	department may award up to a total of \$500,000 in grants to eligible recipients.

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1	(b) The corporation department may not award grants totaling more than
2	\$75,000 to each eligible recipient, and the corporation department may not award a
3	grant of more than \$25,000 to an eligible recipient in any year.
4	(5) (a) The corporation department shall award grants under this section
5	annually, on a competitive basis, based on an eligible recipient's financial need; and,
6	subject to the limitations under par. (b), the corporation department may not take
7	into account whether an eligible recipient was previously awarded a grant under this
8	section in determining whether to award a grant to the eligible recipient.
9	(b) (intro.) The corporation department may award no more than 3 annual
10	grants to each eligible recipient, as follows:
11	1. In the first grant year, the corporation department may contribute up to 75
12	percent of the eligible recipient's equipment expenditures under sub. (4).
13	2. In the 2nd grant year, the corporation department may contribute up to 50
14	percent of the eligible recipient's equipment expenditures under sub. (4).
15	3. In the 3rd grant year, the corporation department may contribute up to 25
16	percent of the eligible recipient's equipment expenditures under sub. (4).
17	(6) The corporation department shall adopt policies and procedures
18	promulgate rules to implement the grant program under this section.
19	SECTION 373. 238.15 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is
20	renumbered 555.15, and 555.15 (1) (intro.) and (m) 1. (intro.) and c. and 3., (2) and
21	(3) (a) , (d) $(intro.)$, $1.$ and $2.$ a. and $b.$, (dm) , (e) and (f) $1.$, as renumbered, are amended
22	to read:
23	555.15 (1) Angel investment tax credits. (intro.) The corporation department

shall implement a program to certify businesses for purposes of s. 71.07 (5d). A

business desiring certification shall submit an application to the corporation

department in each taxable year for which the business desires certification. The business shall specify in its application the investment amount it wishes to raise and the corporation department may certify the business and determine the amount that qualifies for purposes of s. 71.07 (5d). The corporation department may certify or recertify a business for purposes of s. 71.07 (5d) only if the business satisfies all of the following conditions:

- (m) 1. (intro.) It agrees that it will not relocate outside of this state during the 3 years after it receives an investment for which a person may claim a tax credit under s. 71.07 (5d) and agrees to pay the corporation department a penalty, in an amount determined under subd. 2., if the business relocates outside of this state during that 3-year period. For the purposes of this paragraph, except as provided in policies and procedures rules under sub. (3) (dm), a business relocates outside of this state when the business locates more than 51 percent of any of the following outside of this state:
- c. The activities of the business's headquarters, as determined by the corporation department.
- 3. Subdivision 1. does not apply to a business that the corporation department certified for purposes of s. 71.07 (5d) before April 20, 2012, and that, in reliance on that certification, executed a note or bond that is convertible to an equity interest.
- (2) EARLY STAGE SEED INVESTMENT TAX CREDITS. The corporation department shall implement a program to certify investment fund managers for purposes of ss. 71.07 (5b), 71.28 (5b), 71.47 (5b), and 76.638. An investment fund manager desiring certification shall submit an application to the corporation department. The investment fund manager shall specify in the application the investment amount that the manager wishes to raise and the corporation department may certify the

- manager and determine the amount that qualifies for purposes of ss. 71.07 (5b), 71.28 (5b), 71.47 (5b), and 76.638. In determining whether to certify an investment fund manager, the corporation department shall consider the investment fund manager's experience in managing venture capital funds, the past performance of investment funds managed by the applicant, the expected level of investment in the investment fund to be managed by the applicant, and any other relevant factors. The corporation department may certify only investment fund managers that commit to consider placing investments in businesses certified under sub. (1).
- (3) (a) List of certified businesses and investment fund managers. The corporation department shall maintain a list of businesses certified under sub. (1) and investment fund managers certified under sub. (2) and shall permit public access to the lists through the corporation's department's Internet Web site.
- (d) Administration. (intro.) The corporation department, in consultation with the department of revenue, shall establish policies and procedures promulgate rules to administer this section and shall further define "bona fide angel investment" for purposes of s. 71.07 (5d) (a) 1. The aggregate amount of tax credits under s. 71.07 (5d) that may be claimed for investments in businesses certified under sub. (1) and of tax credits under ss. 71.07 (5b), 71.28 (5b), 71.47 (5b), and 76.638 that may be claimed for investments paid to fund managers certified under sub. (2) is \$30,000,000 per calendar year. The policies and procedures rules shall provide that a person who receives a credit under s. 71.07 (5b) or (5d), 71.28 (5b), 71.47 (5b), or 76.638 must keep the investment in a certified business, or with a certified fund manager, for no less than 3 years, unless the person's investment becomes worthless, as determined by the corporation department, during the 3-year period or the person has kept the investment for no less than 12 months and a bona fide liquidity event.

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as determined by the corporation department, occurs during the 3-year period. The
$\underline{\text{policies and procedures }\underline{\text{rules}}}\text{ shall permit the }\underline{\text{corporation}}\underline{\text{department}}\text{ to reallocate}$
credits under this section in any calendar year that are unused in that calendar year
to a person eligible for tax benefits, as defined under s. 238.30 ± 555.30 (7) (e), if all of
the following apply:

- 1. The <u>corporation department</u> notifies the joint committee on finance in writing of its proposed reallocation.
- 2. a. The cochairpersons of the joint committee on finance fail to notify the corporation department, within 14 working days after the date of the corporation's department's notification under subd. 1., that the committee has scheduled a meeting for the purpose of reviewing the proposed reallocation.
- b. The cochairpersons of the joint committee on finance notify the corporation department that the committee has approved the proposed reallocation.
- (dm) The corporation's policies and procedures department's rules under this subsection shall provide that a business is considered to have not relocated outside of this state under sub. (1) (m) 1., regardless of whether the business satisfies sub. (1) (m) 1. a. and b., if the corporation department determines that the business's investment and employment levels in this state have not diminished.
- (e) Transfer. A person who is eligible to claim a credit under s. 71.07 (5b), 71.28 (5b), 71.47 (5b), or 76.638 may sell or otherwise transfer the credit to another person who is subject to the taxes or fees imposed under s. 71.02, 71.23, 71.47, or subch. III of ch. 76, if the person receives prior authorization from the investment fund manager and the manager then notifies the corporation department and the department of revenue of the transfer and submits with the notification a copy of the transfer documents. No person may sell or otherwise transfer a credit as provided

- in this paragraph more than once in a 12-month period. The corporation department may charge any person selling or otherwise transferring a credit under this paragraph a fee of up to 5 percent of the credit amount sold or transferred.
 - (f) 1. Beginning with December 31, 2014, tax credits that the corporation department has not allocated under this section on or before December 31 of each year may not be allocated after that date.

SECTION 374. 238.16 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is renumbered 555.16, and 555.16 (1) (c) 2. (intro.), (2) (intro.) and (b), (3), (4) (b) 1. (intro.) and 2. and (c), (5) (title), (c), (e) and (f) (intro.) and 1. (intro.) and (6), as renumbered, are amended to read:

555.16 (1) (c) 2. (intro.) The corporation department may grant exceptions to the requirement under subd. 1. that a full-time job means a position in which an individual, as a condition of employment, is required to work at least 2,080 hours per year if all of the following apply:

- (2) (intro.) The corporation department may certify a person to receive tax benefits under this section if all of the following apply:
- (b) The person applies under this section and enters into a contract with the corporation department.
- (3) ELIGIBILITY FOR TAX BENEFITS. (intro.) A person certified under sub. (2) may receive tax benefits under this section if, in each year for which the person claims tax benefits under this section, the person increases net employment in this state in the person's business above the net employment in this state in the person's business during the year before the person was certified under sub. (2), as determined by the corporation department under its policies and procedures rules, and one of the following applies:

(4) (b) 1. (intro.) The corporation department may award to a person certified
under sub. (2) tax benefits for each eligible employee in an amount equal to up to 10
percent of the wages paid by the person to that employee or \$10,000, whichever is
less, if that employee earned wages in the year for which the tax benefit is claimed
equal to one of the following:

- 2. The corporation department may award to a person certified under sub. (2) tax benefits in an amount to be determined by the corporation department for costs incurred by the person to undertake the training activities described in sub. (3) (c).
- (c) Subject to a reallocation by the corporation department pursuant to policies and procedures rules adopted under s. 238.15 555.15 (3) (d), the corporation department may allocate up to \$10,000,000 in tax benefits under this section in any calendar year.
 - (5) (title) Duties of the corporation department.
- (c) The <u>corporation department</u> may require a person to repay any tax benefits the person claims for a year in which the person failed to maintain employment required by an agreement under sub. (2) (b).
- (e) The corporation department shall annually verify the information submitted to the corporation department by the person claiming tax benefits under ss. 71.07 (3q), 71.28 (3q), and 71.47 (3q).
- (f) (intro.) The corporation department shall adopt policies and procedures promulgate rules for the implementation and operation of this section, including policies and procedures rules relating to the following:
- 1. (intro.) The definitions of a tier I county or municipality and a tier II county or municipality. The corporation department may consider all of the following information when establishing the definitions required under this subdivision:

(6) SUNSET. No tax benefits may be awarded under this section after December
31, 2015, unless the tax benefits were allocated to a taxpayer by the corporation
Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation under s. 238.16, 2013 stats., in a
contract that the corporation Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation
executed before that date or in a letter of intent to enter into such a contract that the
corporation issued before that date.

SECTION 375. 238.17 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is renumbered 555.17 and amended to read:

555.17 Historic rehabilitation tax credit. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013, the corporation department may certify a person to claim a tax credit under s. 71.07 (9m), 71.28 (6), or 71.47 (6), if the corporation department determines that the person is conducting an eligible activity under s. 71.07 (9m), 71.28 (6), or 71.47 (6). No person may claim a tax credit under s. 71.07 (9m), 71.28 (6), or 71.47 (6) without first being certified under this section.

SECTION 376. 238.23 of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, is renumbered 555.23, and 555.23 (2) (a) and (b), (3) (a) (intro.), (b) (intro.), (c) and (d), (4) (a) (intro.) and (b) and (5) (intro.), (e) and (g), as renumbered, are amended to read: 555.23 (2) (a) Except as provided in par. (c), the corporation department may designate up to 8 areas in the state as technology zones. A business that is located in a technology zone and that is certified by the corporation department under sub.

(b) The designation of an area as a technology zone shall be in effect for 10 years from the time that the corporation department first designates the area. Not more than \$5,000,000 in tax credits may be claimed in a technology zone, except that the corporation department may allocate the amount of unallocated airport

(3) is eligible for a tax credit as provided in sub. (3).

development zone tax credits, as provided under s. 238.3995 555.3995 (3) (b), to technology zones for which the \$5,000,000 maximum allocation is insufficient. The corporation department may change the boundaries of a technology zone during the time that its designation is in effect. A change in the boundaries of a technology zone does not affect the duration of the designation of the area or the maximum tax credit amount that may be claimed in the technology zone.

- (3) (a) (intro.) Except as provided in par. (e), the <u>corporation department</u> may certify for tax credits in a technology zone a business that satisfies all of the following requirements:
- (b) (intro.) In determining whether to certify a business under this subsection, the <u>corporation</u> <u>department</u> shall consider all of the following:
- (c) When the corporation department certifies a business under this subsection, the corporation department shall establish a limit on the amount of tax credits that the business may claim. Unless its certification is revoked, and subject to the limit on the tax credit amount established by the corporation department under this paragraph, a business that is certified may claim a tax credit for 3 years, except that a business that experiences growth, as determined for that business by the corporation department under par. (d) and sub. (5) (e), may claim a tax credit for up to 5 years.
- (d) The corporation department shall enter into an agreement with a business that is certified under this subsection. The agreement shall specify the limit on the amount of tax credits that the business may claim, the extent and type of growth, which shall be specific to the business, that the business must experience to extend its eligibility for a tax credit, the business' baseline against which that growth will be measured, any other conditions that the business must satisfy to extend its

read:

1	eligibility for a tax credit, and reporting requirements with which the business must
2	comply.
3	(4) (a) (intro.) The corporation department shall notify the department of
4	revenue of all the following:
5	(b) The corporation department shall annually verify information submitted
6	to the corporation department under ss. 71.07 (2dm), (2dx), and (3g), 71.28 (1dm),
7	(1dx), and (3g), and 71.47 (1dm), (1dx), and (3g).
8	(5) (intro.) The corporation department shall adopt rules for the operation of
9	this section, including rules related to all the following:
10	(e) Standards for extending a business's certification, including what
11	measures, in addition to job creation, the corporation department will use to
12	determine the growth of a specific business and how the corporation department will
13	establish baselines against which to measure growth.
14	(g) The exchange of information between the corporation department and the
15	department of revenue.
16	SECTION 377. 238.25 of the statutes is renumbered 555.25 and amended to
17	read:
18	555.25 Assistance to loan recipients. The corporation department shall
19	assist new businesses and small businesses receiving the assistance of the Wisconsin
20	Housing and Economic Development Authority in locating sources of venture capital
21	and in obtaining the state and federal licenses and permits necessary for business
22	operations.
23	SECTION 378. 238.26 of the statutes is renumbered 555.26 and amended to