2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 738

January 15, 2016 – Introduced by Representative LOUDENBECK, cosponsored by Senator NASS. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

AN ACT to amend 20.395 (2) (bu) of the statutes; relating to: requiring the Department of Transportation to award a grant to Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission for certain bridge repairs and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to award a grant of $885,000 in the 2015–17 fiscal biennium, from funds assigned to DOT's freight rail infrastructure improvement program, to Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission for the repair of a bridge owned by WRRTC.

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

SECTION 1. 20.395 (2) (bu) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.395 (2) (bu) Freight rail infrastructure improvements, state funds. As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for loans under s. 85.08 (4m) (d) and (e) and, to make payments under s. 85.085, and for the grant under 2015 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), section 2 (1).
SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) GRANT TO WISCONSIN RIVER RAIL TRANSIT COMMISSION.

(a) The legislature finds and determines that the grant under paragraph (b) confers a public benefit and enhances economic development.

(b) In the 2015–17 fiscal biennium, from the appropriation under section 20.395 (2) (bu) of the statutes, as affected by this act, the department of transportation shall award a grant of $885,000 to Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission to fund the repair of Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad Bridge P-64-0038.

(c) The department of transportation may apply such reasonable terms, conditions, and monitoring to the grant under paragraph (b) as is consistent with paragraph (b) and the customary practice of the department for grants under section 85.08 (4m) (d) of the statutes.

(END)