2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 967

March 2, 2016 – Introduced by Representative SHANKLAND, cosponsored by Senator LASSA. Referred to Committee on State Affairs and Government Operations.

AN ACT to create 13.92 (1) (am) and 20.765 (3) (bc) of the statutes; relating to: access to laws of this state and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Legislative Reference Bureau, upon request from an individual who does not have reasonable access to a law of this state or a member of the legislature on behalf of such an individual, to send to the individual a printed or electronic copy of the specific provisions or part of the law that the individual is requesting or otherwise assist the individual with obtaining it at no charge. The bill defines “law of this state” to mean a state statute or rule and to include a standard adopted by an agency if the agency has provided the LRB with a copy of the standard.

For further information see the state 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:

SECTION 1. 13.92 (1) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

13.92 (1) (am) Access to laws. The legislative reference bureau shall, upon request from an individual who does not have reasonable access to a law of this state or a member of the legislature on behalf of such an individual, at no charge send to
the individual one printed or electronic copy of the specific provision or part of the
law that the individual is requesting or otherwise assist the individual with
obtaining it. The bureau shall fulfill a request under this paragraph within 10
business days after receipt of the request. In this paragraph, “law of this state”
means a state statute or rule and includes a standard adopted by an agency under
s. 227.21 if the agency has provided a copy of the standard to the bureau.

**SECTION 2.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert
the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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**SECTION 3.** 20.765 (3) (bc) of the statutes is created to read:

20.765 (3) (bc) *Legislative reference bureau; access to laws.* Biennally, the
amounts in the schedule for printing and mailing costs under s. 13.92 (1) (am).