2015 SENATE BILL 276

September 30, 2015 - Introduced by Senators HARSDORF, MARKLEIN, VINEHOUT, BEWLEY, NASS and COWLES, cosponsored by Representatives MURPHY, KRUG, SKOWRONSKI, T. LARSON, E. BROOKS, BALLWEG, NOVAK, KNOEL, A. OTT, ALLEN, THIESFELDT, ROHRKASTE and STEFFEN. Referred to Committee on Universities and Technical Colleges.

AN ACT to amend 36.11 (8) (b); and to create 13.48 (45) of the statutes; relating to: University of Wisconsin System parking and transportation facilities and parking fees.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill allows University of Wisconsin (UW) parking fees and fines to be used for campus safety and transportation-related programs. Current law authorizes the Board of Regents of the UW System and UW chancellors to regulate motor vehicle parking on property under their jurisdiction. Current law requires that any parking fines or fees collected by a UW institution pursuant to such regulations must be used only to enforce the regulations or develop and operate parking or other transportation facilities at the institution. This bill also allows the parking fines or fees to be used for any campus safety or transportation-related program developed or operated at the institution at which the fines or fees are collected.

The bill also prohibits the building commission from authorizing any general fund supported borrowing to aid in the construction of parking facilities at any UW institution.

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

SECTION 1. 13.48 (45) of the statutes is created to read:
13.48 (45) UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN PARKING FACILITIES. The building commission may not authorize any general fund supported borrowing to aid in the construction of parking facilities at any institution, as defined in s. 36.05 (9), of the University of Wisconsin System.

SECTION 2. 36.11 (8) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

36.11 (8) (b) The board shall establish fines for the violation of any rule made under par. (a). The institutions are authorized to collect such fines together with moneys collected from the sale of parking permits and other fees established under par. (a), to be used only for the purpose of developing and operating parking or other transportation facilities, or campus safety or transportation-related programs, at the institution at which collected and for enforcing parking rules under par. (a).

(END)