



State of Wisconsin
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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 205

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 16.84 (5); and *to create* 16.84 (5) (b) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** state leases for real property.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 16.84 (5) of the statutes is renumbered 16.84 (5) (a) and amended
4 to read:
5 16.84 (5) (a) Have responsibility, subject to approval of the governor, for all
6 functions relating to the leasing, acquisition, allocation, and utilization of all real
7 property by the state, except where such responsibility is otherwise provided by the
8 statutes. In exercising this connection responsibility, the department shall may not
9 enter into, extend, or renew a lease involving an annual rent of more than \$500,000
10 unless the secretary signs the lease, a copy of the proposed lease is submitted

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1 electronically to the chief clerk of each house for distribution, and the department
2 notifies the joint committee on finance of the proposed lease and provides the
3 committee with the information under par. (b) as well as a summary report of that
4 information, including the terms of the lease and the lease rate per square foot of the
5 proposed property and the comparable options. If the cochairpersons of the joint
6 committee on finance do not notify the secretary that the committee has scheduled
7 a meeting for the purpose of reviewing the proposed lease within 14 working days
8 after the date of the notification, the lease may be entered into, extended, or renewed.
9 If, within 14 working days after the date of the notification, the cochairpersons of the
10 committee notify the secretary that the committee has scheduled a meeting for the
11 purpose of reviewing the proposed lease, the lease may be entered into, extended, or
12 renewed only upon approval of the committee.

13 (c) When exercising the responsibility under par. (a), with the governor's
14 approval, require physical consolidation of office space utilized by any executive
15 branch agency, as defined in s. 16.70 (4), having fewer than 50 authorized full-time
16 equivalent positions with office space utilized by another executive branch agency,
17 whenever feasible. The department shall lease

18 (d) Lease or acquire office space for legislative offices or legislative service
19 agencies at the direction of the joint committee on legislative organization. In this
20 subsection, "executive branch agency" has the meaning given in s. 16.70 (4).

21 **SECTION 2.** 16.84 (5) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

22 16.84 (5) (b) Before entering into, extending, or renewing a lease, do all of the
23 following:

24 1. Conduct a cost-benefit analysis comparing the lease with purchasing the
25 space or another suitable space.

