AN ACT to create 13.102 (3) of the statutes; relating to: Joint Committee on Finance consideration of motions relating to the biennial budget bill.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The bill provides that the Joint Committee on Finance may not consider or take executive action on any motion relating to the biennial budget bill unless the motion has been distributed to all members of JCF at least 48 hours before JCF considers or takes executive action on the motion. The motion must also be posted on the Legislative Fiscal Bureau Internet site at least 48 hours before JCF considers or takes executive action on the motion.

The provisions of the bill, however, do not apply to a motion that relates to an emergency, as determined by three-fourths of the members of JCF, or to a motion that contains minor substantive differences from a motion that has met the bill’s requirements.

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

SECTION 1. 13.102 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

13.102 (3) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), the joint committee on finance may not consider or take executive action on any motion relating to the biennial budget
bill unless the motion has been distributed to all members of the committee at least 48 hours before the committee considers or takes executive action on the motion. The motion must also be posted on the legislative fiscal bureau Internet site at least 48 hours before the committee considers or takes executive action on the motion. For the purpose of calculating the 48-hour requirements under this paragraph, Saturdays, Sundays, and state holidays specified in s. 230.35 (4) (a) are excluded.

(b) Paragraph (a) does not apply to any of the following:

1. A motion relating to an emergency, as determined by three-fourths of the members of the joint finance committee.

2. A motion that contains minor substantive differences from a motion that met the requirements under par. (a).