2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 523

September 29, 2017 - Introduced by Representatives KUGLITSCH, R. BROOKS, FELZKOWSKI, JACQUE, PETERSEN, GANNON, TAUCHEN, ALLEN, THIESFELDT, JARCHOW, KREMER and HUTTON, cosponsored by Senators KAPENGA, FEYEN, CRAIG, STROEBEL and NASS. Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

AN ACT to repeal 16.75 (12); to renumber and amend 16.953; and to create 16.953 (1) of the statutes; relating to: state agency goals for the generation or purchase of electric energy derived from renewable resources.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau
This bill eliminates the requirement that the Department of Administration establish goals for certain state agencies to generate or purchase electric energy derived from renewable resources. The bill specifies that the elimination of that requirement does not require the modification or termination of any current contract into which a state agency entered in order to meet those goals.
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SECTION 1. 16.75 (12) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 16.953 of the statutes is renumbered 16.953 (2) and amended to read:
16.953 (2) No later than July 1 of each even-numbered year, each agency, as defined in s. 16.75 (12) (a) 1., shall submit a plan to the department, the joint committee on finance, and the standing committee of each house of the legislature having jurisdiction over energy, for reduction of the cost of energy used by the agency. The plan shall include all system and equipment upgrades or installations that are estimated to result in energy cost savings equal to the cost of the upgrade or installation over the anticipated life of the system or equipment. The plan shall also identify potential means of financing the upgrades and installations other than reliance on appropriations of general purpose revenues. The department of administration shall consider in its plan the means of financing allowed under s. 16.858.

SECTION 3. 16.953 (1) of the statutes is created to read:

16.953 (1) In this section, “agency” means the department of administration, the department of corrections, the department of health services, the department of public instruction, the department of veterans affairs, and the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System.


(1) TRANSITIONAL PROVISION. The repeal of section 16.75 (12) of the statutes does not require modification or termination of a contract in effect on the effective date of this subsection into which a state agency, as defined in section 16.75 (12) (a) 1., 2015 stats., entered for the purpose of meeting the goals under s. 16.75 (12) (b), 2015 stats.