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PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 AN ACT <sup>1</sup> relating to: state finances and appropriations, constituting the  
2 executive budget act of the 2019 legislature.

*Insert analysis*  
3 *The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do*  
4 *enact as follows:*

5 SECTION 1. 1.12 (3) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

6 1.12 (3) (d) *Carbon-free electricity.* It is the goal of the state that all electricity  
7 produced within the state is 100 percent carbon-free by January 1, 2050.

8 SECTION 2. 3.002 (intro.) and (1m) of the statutes are consolidated, renumbered  
9 3.002 and amended to read:

10 **3.002 Description of territory.** In this chapter: ~~(1m) Reference, reference~~  
11 to any county or municipality means that county or municipality as its boundaries  
12 exist on April 1 of the year of the federal decennial census ~~on which the districting~~  
13 ~~plan described under subch. II is based.~~

SECTION 3. 3.002 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 4. 3.004 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           3.004 (2) "Ward" means a ward prescribed by a municipality based upon  
2           municipal boundaries in effect on April 1 of the year of the federal decennial census  
3           in accordance with the most recent revision of municipal wards under s. 5.15 ~~upon~~  
4           ~~which the districting plan described under subch. II is based~~ and used in preparing  
5           congressional and legislative redistricting plans as required under s. 4.005.

6           **SECTION 5.** Subchapter I of chapter 4 [precedes 4.001] of the statutes is repealed  
7           and recreated to read:

8   **CHAPTER 4**

9   **SUBCHAPTER I**

10    **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

11    **AND REDISTRICTING**

12           **4.001 Definitions.** In this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise:

13           (1) "Block" has the meaning given in s. 5.02 (1q).

14           (2) "Commission" means the redistricting advisory commission established  
15           under s. 13.49.

16           (3) "Plan" means a plan for legislative and congressional reapportionment  
17           prepared under this subchapter.

18           (4) "Political subdivision" means a city, town, village, or county within this  
19           state.

20           (5) "Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act" means 52 USC 10301.

21           (6) "Ward" means a municipal ward in effect on April 1 of the year of the federal  
22           decennial census and used in preparing congressional and legislative redistricting  
23           plans as required under s. 4.005.

1           **4.002 Political subdivision boundaries.** In this chapter, reference to any  
2 political subdivision means that political subdivision as its boundaries exist on April  
3 1 of the year of the federal decennial census.

4           **4.003 Legislative districts established.** This state is divided into 33 senate  
5 districts, each composed of 3 assembly districts. Each senate district may elect one  
6 member of the senate. Each assembly district may elect one representative to the  
7 assembly.

8           **4.004 Preparations for redistricting.** (1) The legislative reference bureau  
9 shall acquire appropriate information, review and evaluate available facilities, and  
10 develop programs and procedures in preparation for drawing congressional and  
11 legislative redistricting plans on the basis of each federal decennial census.

12           (2) By December 1 of the year of the decennial federal census, the legislative  
13 reference bureau shall obtain from the U.S. bureau of the census information  
14 regarding geographic and political units in this state for which federal census  
15 population data has been gathered and will be tabulated. The legislative reference  
16 bureau shall use the information to do all of the following:

17           (a) Prepare necessary descriptions of geographic and political units for which  
18 census data will be reported and that are suitable for use as components of legislative  
19 districts.

20           (b) Prepare maps of geographic and political units within the state which may  
21 be used to illustrate the locations of district boundaries proposed in plans prepared  
22 in accordance with s. 4.007.

23           (3) As soon as possible after receiving from the U.S. bureau of the census the  
24 population data needed for legislative redistricting that the U.S. bureau of the  
25 census is required to provide this state under P.L. 94-171, the legislative reference

1 bureau shall use that data to assign a population figure based upon certified federal  
2 census data to each geographic or political unit described under sub. (2) (b). The  
3 legislative reference bureau shall prepare and publish an analysis describing the  
4 population of current legislative and congressional districts and the extent to which  
5 the districts may violate the standards under s. 4.007. Upon satisfying these  
6 requirements, the legislative reference bureau shall begin the preparation of  
7 congressional and legislative redistricting plans as required under s. 4.006.

8 (4) None of the 4 selecting authorities, as defined in s. 13.49 (1) (b), may assign  
9 or hire any person to work with the legislative reference bureau to prepare for  
10 redistricting under this section, to prepare plans under s. 4.006, or to oversee either  
11 process.

12 **4.005 Use of municipal ward plans.** After receipt of a division ordinance or  
13 resolution under s. 5.15 (4) (b), the legislative reference bureau shall use the data  
14 obtained from the U.S. bureau of the census under s. 4.004 (3) to assign a population  
15 figure based upon certified federal census data to each ward established in the  
16 division ordinance or resolution. The legislative reference bureau shall use each  
17 ward to which a population figure is assigned in preparing congressional and  
18 legislative redistricting plans as required under s. 4.006.

19 **4.006 Preparation of redistricting plans.** (1) Not later than January 1 of  
20 the 2nd year following the decennial federal census, the legislative reference bureau  
21 shall deliver to the majority leader of the senate and speaker of the assembly  
22 identical bills creating plans of legislative and congressional redistricting, prepared  
23 in accordance with s. 4.007. Either the assembly or the senate shall bring the bill to  
24 a vote expeditiously, but not less than 7 days after the commission report under s.  
25 13.49 (3) (d) 2. is received and made available to the members of the legislature. The

1 vote shall be under a procedure or rule permitting no amendments. If the bill is  
2 approved by the first house in which it is considered, the bill shall expeditiously be  
3 brought to a vote in the 2nd house under a similar procedure or rule.

4 (2) If neither of the bills delivered by the legislative reference bureau under  
5 sub. (1) is approved by both the assembly and the senate, the chief clerk of the house  
6 that failed to approve the bill shall immediately transmit to the legislative reference  
7 bureau information that the house may direct regarding reasons why the plan was  
8 not approved. The legislative reference bureau shall prepare identical bills  
9 embodying a 2nd plan of legislative and congressional redistricting prepared in  
10 accordance with s. 4.007, taking into account the reasons transmitted to the  
11 legislative reference bureau under this subsection insofar as it is possible to do so  
12 within the requirements of s. 4.007. The legislative reference bureau shall deliver  
13 the bills to the majority leader of the senate and the speaker of the assembly no later  
14 than 21 days after the date of the vote by which the senate or the assembly failed to  
15 approve the bill submitted under sub. (1). Any bill delivered by the legislative  
16 reference bureau under this subsection shall be expeditiously introduced and  
17 brought to a vote not less than 7 days after the date of introduction, in the same  
18 manner as prescribed for the bill required under sub. (1).

19 (3) If neither of the bills delivered by the legislative reference bureau under  
20 sub. (2) is approved by both the assembly and the senate, the same procedure as  
21 prescribed by sub. (2) shall be followed. If a 3rd plan is required under this  
22 subsection, the legislative reference bureau shall deliver the bills to the majority  
23 leader of the senate and the speaker of the assembly no later than 21 days after the  
24 date of the vote by which the senate or the assembly failed to approve the bill  
25 submitted under sub. (2). Any bill delivered by the legislative reference bureau

1 under this subsection shall be expeditiously introduced and brought to a vote not less  
2 than 7 days after the date of introduction and shall be subject to amendment in the  
3 same manner as other bills. Any bill delivered under this subsection, and any  
4 amendment to such a bill, may be passed only with the approval of three-fourths of  
5 all the members elected in each house.

6 (4) Notwithstanding subs. (1) to (3):

7 (a) If certified federal census data that is sufficient to permit preparation of a  
8 congressional redistricting plan becomes available at an earlier time than the  
9 population data needed to permit preparation of a legislative redistricting plan in  
10 accordance with s. 4.007, the legislative reference bureau shall so inform the  
11 majority leader of the senate and the speaker of the assembly. If the majority leader  
12 of the senate and the speaker of the assembly jointly direct, the legislative reference  
13 bureau shall prepare a separate bill establishing congressional districts and deliver  
14 it separately from the bill establishing legislative districts. The legislature shall  
15 proceed to consider the congressional redistricting bill in substantially the manner  
16 prescribed by subs. (1) to (3).

17 (b) If the population data for legislative redistricting that the U.S. bureau of  
18 the census is required to provide this state under P.L. 94-171 and, if used by the  
19 legislative reference bureau, the corresponding topologically integrated geographic  
20 encoding and referencing data file for that population data are not available to the  
21 legislative reference bureau on or before April 1 of the first year following the  
22 decennial federal census, the deadlines set forth in this section shall be extended by  
23 a number of days equal to the number of days after April 1 of the first year following  
24 the decennial federal census that the population data and the topologically

1 integrated geographic encoding and referencing data file for legislative redistricting  
2 become available.

3 **4.007 Redistricting standards.** (1) Legislative and congressional districts  
4 shall be established on the basis of population requirements imposed under the  
5 Wisconsin Constitution and the U.S. Constitution and requirements imposed under  
6 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

7 (2) Senate and assembly districts, respectively, shall satisfy the population  
8 standards established in this subsection. The quotient, obtained by dividing the sum  
9 of the absolute values of the deviations of all district populations from the applicable  
10 ideal district population by the number of districts established, may not exceed 1  
11 percent of the applicable ideal district population, unless necessary to maintain  
12 compliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. For purposes of this subsection,  
13 the ideal district population is determined by dividing the population of the state  
14 reported in the most recent federal decennial census by the number of districts to be  
15 established. No senate district may have a population that exceeds that of any other  
16 senate district by more than 10 percent and no assembly district may have a  
17 population that exceeds that of any other assembly district by more than 10 percent,  
18 unless necessary to maintain compliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

19 (3) Congressional districts shall each have a population as nearly equal as  
20 practicable to the ideal district population, derived as prescribed in sub. (2), while  
21 maintaining compliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. No congressional  
22 district may have a population which varies by more than 1 percent from the  
23 applicable ideal district population, unless necessary to comply with Section 2 of the  
24 Voting Rights Act.

1           (4) District boundaries shall coincide with ward boundaries and, to the extent  
2 consistent with sub. (1), shall coincide with the boundaries of political subdivisions.  
3 The number of political subdivisions divided among more than one district shall be  
4 as small as possible. When there is a choice among political subdivisions to divide,  
5 the more populous political subdivisions shall be divided before the less populous,  
6 except that this requirement does not apply to a legislative district boundary drawn  
7 along a county boundary which passes through a city with territory in more than one  
8 county.

9           (5) Districts shall be composed of convenient contiguous territory. Areas which  
10 meet only at the points of adjoining corners are not contiguous.

11           (6) Districts shall not be drawn with the intent or result of denying or abridging  
12 the equal opportunity of racial or language minorities to participate in the political  
13 process or diminishing their ability to elect representatives of their choice, whether  
14 by themselves or by voting in concert with other persons.

15           (7) (a) In this subsection:

16           1. "Geographic unit center" means that point within a population data unit  
17 approximately equidistant from the northern and southern extremities and also  
18 approximately equidistant from the eastern and western extremities of the  
19 population data unit. This point shall be determined by visual observation of a map  
20 of the population data unit, unless it is otherwise determined within the context of  
21 an appropriate coordinate system developed by the federal government or another  
22 source that the legislative reference bureau determines is qualified and objective and  
23 is obtained for use in this state with prior approval of the joint committee on  
24 legislative organization.



1           2. "Population data unit" means a ward, census enumeration district, block, or  
2 other unit of territory having clearly identified geographic boundaries and for which  
3 a total population figure is included in or can be derived directly from certified  
4 federal census data.

5           3. "X-coordinate" means the relative location of a point along the east-west  
6 axis of the state. Unless otherwise measured within the context of an appropriate  
7 coordinate system obtained for use as permitted by subd. 1., the x-coordinate shall  
8 be measured along a line drawn due east from a due north and south line running  
9 through the point which is the western extremity of this state, to the point to be  
10 located.

11           4. "Y-coordinate" means the relative location of a point along the north-south  
12 axis of the state. Unless otherwise measured within the context of an appropriate  
13 coordinate system obtained for use as permitted by subd. 1., the y-coordinate shall  
14 be measured along a line drawn due south from a due east and west line running  
15 through the point which is the northern extremity of this state, to the point to be  
16 located.

17           (b) To the extent consistent with subs. (1) to (3), districts shall be compact in  
18 form. Compact districts are those which are square, rectangular, or hexagonal in  
19 shape to the extent permitted by natural or political boundaries. When it is  
20 necessary to compare the relative compactness of 2 or more districts, or of 2 or more  
21 alternative redistricting plans, the tests prescribed by pars. (c) and (d) shall be used.  
22 Should the results of these 2 tests be contradictory, the standard under par. (c) shall  
23 be given greater weight than the standard under par. (d).

1 (c) 1. The compactness of a district is greatest when the length of the district  
2 and the width of the district are equal. The measure of a district's compactness is  
3 the absolute value of the difference between the length and the width of the district.

4 2. In measuring the compactness of a district by means of electronic data  
5 processing, the difference between the x-coordinates of the easternmost and the  
6 westernmost geographic unit centers included in the district shall be compared to the  
7 difference between the y-coordinates of the northernmost and southernmost  
8 geographic unit centers included in the district.

9 3. To determine the length and width of a district by manual measurement, the  
10 distance from the northernmost point or portion of the boundary of a district to the  
11 southernmost point or portion of the boundary of the same district and the distance  
12 from the westernmost point or portion of the boundary of the district to the  
13 easternmost point or portion of the boundary of the same district shall each be  
14 measured. If the northernmost or southernmost portion of the boundary, or each of  
15 these points, is a part of the boundary running due east and west, the line used to  
16 make the measurement required by this subdivision shall be drawn either due north  
17 and south or as nearly so as the configuration of the district permits. If the  
18 easternmost or westernmost portion of the boundary, or each of these points, is a part  
19 of the boundary running due north and south, a similar procedure shall be followed.  
20 The lines to be measured for the purpose of this subdivision shall each be drawn as  
21 required by this subdivision, even if some part of either or both lines lies outside the  
22 boundaries of the district which is being tested for compactness.

23 4. The absolute values computed for individual districts under this paragraph  
24 may be cumulated for all districts in a plan in order to compare the overall  
25 compactness of 2 or more alternative redistricting plans for the state or for a portion

1 of the state. However, it is not valid to cumulate or compare absolute values  
2 computed using the measurements under subd. 2. with those computed using the  
3 measurements under subd. 3.

4 (d) 1. The compactness of a district is greatest when the ratio of the dispersion  
5 of population about the population center of the district to the dispersion of  
6 population about the geographic center of the district is one to one.

7 2. The population dispersion about the population center of a district or about  
8 the geographic center of a district is computed as the sum of the products of the  
9 population of each population data unit included in the district multiplied by the  
10 square of the distance from the geographic unit center of that population data unit  
11 to the population center or the geographic center of the district, as the case may be.  
12 The geographic center of the district is defined by averaging the locations of all  
13 geographic unit centers which are included in the district. The population center of  
14 the district is defined by computing the population-weighted average of the  
15 x-coordinates and y-coordinates of each geographic unit center assigned to the  
16 district, it being assumed for the purpose of this calculation that each population  
17 data unit possesses uniform density of population.

18 3. The ratios computed for individual districts under this paragraph may be  
19 averaged for all districts in a plan in order to compare the overall compactness of 2  
20 or more alternative redistricting plans for the state or for a portion of the state.

21 (8) In preparing any redistricting plan, the legislative reference bureau shall  
22 be strictly nonpartisan. No district may be drawn for the purpose of favoring a  
23 political party, incumbent legislator or member of Congress, or other person or group  
24 or, except to the extent required under sub. (1), for the purpose of augmenting or  
25 diluting the voting strength of a language or racial minority group. Except as

1 provided in sub. (10), in establishing districts, no use shall be made of any of the  
2 following data:

3 (a) The residence addresses of incumbent legislators or members of Congress.

4 (b) Political affiliations of registered voters.

5 (c) Previous election results.

6 (d) Demographic information except as necessary to meet the requirements of  
7 subs. (1) and (10).

8 (9) The number of assembly districts in any redistricting plan may not be less  
9 than 54 nor more than 100. The number of senate districts in any redistricting plan  
10 may not be more than one-third nor less than one-fourth of the number of assembly  
11 districts. Each senate district shall contain only whole assembly districts. Except  
12 as otherwise provided in this subsection, to the extent possible, each congressional  
13 district shall contain only whole senate districts. The other standards specified in  
14 this section shall take precedence where a conflict arises between those standards  
15 and the requirement of including only whole senate districts within a congressional  
16 district.

17 (10) In preparing any redistricting plan, the legislative reference bureau shall  
18 test the efficiency gap and competitiveness of each district and make the test results  
19 available to the public, including publishing the results on its Internet site, no later  
20 than 72 hours prior to the first public hearing on the proposed plan. The legislative  
21 reference bureau may use the data described under sub. (8) (b) to (d) to perform the  
22 tests under this subsection.

23 **4.008 Required provisions in redistricting bills.** Each bill delivered under  
24 s. 4.006 shall provide all of the following:

1           (1) That, wherever territory is described in the bill by geographic boundaries,  
2 the following conventions are used:

3           (a) Each bound continues to the intersection with the bound next named, or to  
4 the intersection with a straight-line extension of such bound.

5           (b) If the bound is a street, it follows the center line of the street or the center  
6 line of the street extended.

7           (c) If the bound is a railroad right-of-way, it follows the center line of the  
8 railroad right-of-way.

9           (d) If the bound is a river or stream, it follows the center of the main channel  
10 of such river or stream.

11           (e) If the bound follows a municipal boundary, it coincides with such boundary.

12           (2) That the bill first applies, with respect to regular elections, to offices filled  
13 at the next occurring general election after the bill takes effect and, with respect to  
14 special or recall elections, to offices filled or contested on or after the date of that  
15 general election.

16           **4.0085 Challenge based on population inequality; burden of proof.** If  
17 an action is brought challenging a legislative redistricting plan under this  
18 subchapter on the basis of an excessive population variance among senate or  
19 assembly districts established in the plan, the legislature has the burden of  
20 justifying any variance in excess of 10 percent between the population of a senate or  
21 assembly district and the applicable ideal district population. If an action is brought  
22 challenging a congressional redistricting plan under this subchapter on the basis of  
23 an excessive population variance among congressional districts established in the  
24 plan, the legislature has the burden of justifying any variance in excess of 1 percent

1 between the population of a congressional district and the applicable ideal district  
2 population.

3 **SECTION 6.** 5.02 (6m) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 5.02 **(6m)** (f) An unexpired student identification card issued by a university  
5 or college in this state that is accredited, as defined in s. 39.30 (1) (d), or by a technical  
6 college in this state that is a member of and governed by the technical college system  
7 under ch. 38, that contains the date of issuance ~~and signature of the individual to~~  
8 ~~whom it is issued~~ and that contains an expiration date indicating that the card  
9 expires no later than ~~2~~ 5 years after the date of issuance ~~if the individual establishes~~  
10 ~~that he or she is enrolled as a student at the university or college on the date that~~  
11 ~~the card is presented.~~

12 **SECTION 7.** 5.056 of the statutes is amended to read:

13 **5.056 Matching program with secretary of transportation.** The  
14 commission administrator shall enter into the agreement with the secretary of  
15 transportation specified under s. 85.61 (1) to match personally identifiable  
16 information on the official registration list maintained by the commission under s.  
17 6.36 (1) and the information specified in ~~s. ss. 6.256 (2) and 6.34 (2m)~~ with personally  
18 identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation. Subject  
19 to s. 343.14 (2p) (b), the agreement shall provide for the electronic transfer of  
20 information under s. 6.256 (2) to the commission on a continuous basis, no less often  
21 than monthly.

22 **SECTION 8.** 5.15 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

23 5.15 **(4)** (a) Except as provided in par. (c), the division ordinance or resolution  
24 shall number all wards in the municipality with unique whole numbers in  
25 consecutive order, beginning with the number one, shall designate the polling place

1 for each ward, and shall describe the boundaries of each ward consistent with the  
2 conventions set forth in s. 4.003 4.008 (1). The ordinance or resolution shall be  
3 accompanied by a list of the block numbers used by the U.S. bureau of the census that  
4 are wholly or partly contained within each ward, with any block numbers partly  
5 contained within a ward identified, and a map of the municipality which illustrates  
6 the revised ward boundaries. If the legislature, in an act redistricting legislative  
7 districts under article IV, section 3, of the constitution, or in redistricting  
8 congressional districts, establishes a district boundary within a municipality that  
9 does not coincide with the boundary of a ward established under the ordinance or  
10 resolution of the municipality, the municipal governing body shall, no later than  
11 April 10 of the 2nd year following the year of the federal decennial census on which  
12 the act is based, amend the ordinance or resolution to the extent required to effect  
13 the act. The amended ordinance or resolution shall designate the polling place for  
14 any ward that is created to effect the legislative act. Nothing in this paragraph shall  
15 be construed to compel a county or city to alter or redraw supervisory or aldermanic  
16 districts.

17 **SECTION 9.** 6.256 of the statutes is created to read:

18 **6.256 Commission shall facilitate registration of electors.** (1) Except as  
19 provided for electors specified in sub. (7) and as otherwise expressly provided, the  
20 commission shall use all feasible means to facilitate the registration of all eligible  
21 electors of this state who are subject to a registration requirement and the  
22 maintenance of the registration of all eligible electors for so long as they remain  
23 eligible.

24 (2) Subject to s. 343.14 (2p) (b), for the purpose of carrying out its functions  
25 under sub. (1), the commission shall obtain the following information from the

1 department of transportation, to the extent that the department has the  
2 information:

3 (a) The full name of each individual who holds a current operator's license  
4 issued to the individual under ch. 343 or a current identification card issued to the  
5 individual under s. 343.50, together with the following information pertaining to  
6 that individual:

7 1. The current address of the individual together with any address history and  
8 any name history maintained by the department of transportation.

9 2. The date of birth of the individual.

10 3. The number of the license or identification card issued to the individual.

11 4. A copy of the document that the applicant provided as proof of citizenship  
12 and a statement from the department of transportation indicating that the  
13 department verified the applicant's citizenship. For purposes of this subdivision, the  
14 applicant shall provide a document that meets the requirements under 42 USC  
15 1320b-7 (d).

16 (b) For each item of information specified in this subsection, the most recent  
17 date that the item of information was provided or obtained by the department of  
18 transportation.

19 (3) The commission shall compare the information obtained under sub. (2) with  
20 the information in the registration list under s. 6.36 (1) (a). If the commission finds  
21 discrepancies between the information obtained under sub. (2) regarding an elector  
22 and the information in the registration list under s. 6.36 (1) (a) regarding that same  
23 elector, the commission shall contact the elector by mail or telephone or in person to  
24 resolve the discrepancies. If the commission is able to resolve the discrepancies after  
25 contacting the elector, the commission shall update the information on the



1 registration list. If the commission is unable to contact the elector, the commission  
2 shall resolve any discrepancies in favor of the information in the registration list.

3 (4) Except as provided in this subsection and sub. (7), if the commission  
4 concludes that an individual appears eligible to vote in this state but is not  
5 registered, and the commission has obtained from reliable sources all the  
6 information required under s. 6.33 (1) to complete the individual's registration, the  
7 commission shall enter the individual's name on the registration list. If the  
8 commission has not obtained from reliable sources all the information pertaining to  
9 an individual that is required under s. 6.33 (1), the commission shall attempt to  
10 obtain from reliable sources the necessary information under s. 6.33 (1) that is  
11 required to complete the individual's registration. If a municipality has changed the  
12 status of an elector from eligible to ineligible under s. 6.50 (1) and the elector's  
13 eligibility, name, or residence has not changed, the commission may not change the  
14 individual's name to eligible status unless the commission first verifies that the  
15 individual is eligible and wishes to change his or her status to eligible.

16 (5) The commission shall attempt to contact individuals described in sub. (4)  
17 if necessary to obtain all the information specified in s. 6.33 (1) pertaining to the  
18 individual that is required to complete the individual's registration.

19 (6) If the commission is able to obtain all the required information specified in  
20 s. 6.33 (1) pertaining to an individual, the commission shall enter the name of the  
21 individual on the registration list maintained under s. 6.36 (1) (a).

22 (7) Any individual may file a request with the commission to exclude his or her  
23 name from the registration list. Any individual whose name is added to the  
24 registration list by the commission may file a request with the commission or a  
25 municipal clerk to have his or her name deleted from the list. A request for exclusion

1 or deletion shall be filed in the manner prescribed by the commission. An individual  
2 who files an exclusion or deletion request under this subsection may revoke his or  
3 her request by the same means that an individual may request an exclusion or  
4 deletion. The commission shall ensure that the name of any individual who has filed  
5 an exclusion or deletion request under this subsection is excluded from the  
6 registration list or if the individual's name appears on the list, is removed from the  
7 registration list and is not added to the list at any subsequent time unless the  
8 individual files a revocation of his or her request under this subsection.

9 (8) If the commission removes from the registration list the name of an elector  
10 who does not request that his or her name be deleted, other than to correct an entry  
11 that the commission positively determines to be a duplication or to change the name  
12 of an individual who is verified to be deceased to ineligible status, the commission  
13 shall mail the individual a notice of the removal or change in status by 1st class  
14 postcard at the individual's last-known address. The notice shall provide that the  
15 individual may apply to have his or her status changed to eligible if he or she is a  
16 qualified elector.

17 (9) The commission shall attempt to facilitate the initial registration of all  
18 eligible electors, except as otherwise provided in this section, as soon as practicable.

19 (10) The commission shall maintain the confidentiality of all information  
20 obtained from the department of transportation under sub. (2) and may use this  
21 information only for the purpose of carrying out its functions under sub. (1) and s.  
22 6.34 (2m) and in accordance with the agreement under s. 85.61 (1).

23 **SECTION 10.** 6.29 (2) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

24 6.29 (2) (e) The municipal clerk or clerk's agent shall promptly add the names  
25 of qualified electors who register and vote under this section to the registration list.

1 The clerk or clerk's agent shall add the names of qualified electors who vote at their  
2 polling places in the manner prescribed in s. 6.33 (5) (a).

3 SECTION 11. 6.33 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 6.33 (2) (a) All information may be recorded by any person, except that the clerk  
5 shall record the ward and aldermanic district, if any, other geographic information  
6 under sub. (1), the indication of whether the registration is received by mail, and the  
7 type of identifying document submitted by the elector as proof of residence under s.  
8 6.34 or the indication of verification of information in lieu of proof of residence under  
9 s. 6.34 (2m). Except as provided in s. 6.30 (5), each elector shall sign his or her own  
10 name unless the elector is unable to sign his or her name due to physical disability.  
11 In such case, the elector may authorize another elector to sign the form on his or her  
12 behalf. If the elector so authorizes, the elector signing the form shall attest to a  
13 statement that the application is made upon request and by authorization of a named  
14 elector who is unable to sign the form due to physical disability.

15 SECTION 12. 6.35 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 6.35 (3) ~~Original~~ Except for electronic registrations, original registration forms  
17 shall be maintained in the office of the municipal clerk or board of election  
18 commissioners at all times. The commission shall maintain electronic registration  
19 forms and make such forms available for inspection by the municipal clerk, the  
20 clerk's designated agent, or the board of election commissioners.

21 SECTION 13. 6.86 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 6.86 (1) (b) Except as provided in this section, if application is made by mail,  
23 the application shall be received no later than 5 p.m. on the 5th day immediately  
24 preceding the election. If application is made in person, the application shall be  
25 made ~~no earlier than 14 days preceding the election and no later than the Sunday~~

1 7 p.m. on the Friday preceding the election. No application may be received on a legal  
2 holiday. A municipality shall specify the hours in the notice under s. 10.01 (2) (e).  
3 The municipal clerk or an election official shall witness the certificate for any  
4 in-person absentee ballot cast. Except as provided in par. (c), if the elector is making  
5 written application for an absentee ballot at the partisan primary, the general  
6 election, the presidential preference primary, or a special election for national office,  
7 and the application indicates that the elector is a military elector, as defined in s. 6.34  
8 (1), the application shall be received by the municipal clerk no later than 5 p.m. on  
9 election day. If the application indicates that the reason for requesting an absentee  
10 ballot is that the elector is a sequestered juror, the application shall be received no  
11 later than 5 p.m. on election day. If the application is received after 5 p.m. on the  
12 Friday immediately preceding the election, the municipal clerk or the clerk's agent  
13 shall immediately take the ballot to the court in which the elector is serving as a juror  
14 and deposit it with the judge. The judge shall recess court, as soon as convenient,  
15 and give the elector the ballot. The judge shall then witness the voting procedure as  
16 provided in s. 6.87 and shall deliver the ballot to the clerk or agent of the clerk who  
17 shall deliver it to the polling place or, in municipalities where absentee ballots are  
18 canvassed under s. 7.52, to the municipal clerk as required in s. 6.88. If application  
19 is made under sub. (2) or (2m), the application may be received no later than 5 p.m.  
20 on the Friday immediately preceding the election.

21 **SECTION 14.** 6.86 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 6.86 (3) (c) An application under par. (a) 1. may be made and a registration form  
23 under par. (a) 2. may be filed in person at the office of the municipal clerk not earlier  
24 than 7 days before an election and not later than 5 p.m. on the day of the election.  
25 A list of hospitalized electors applying for ballots under par. (a) 1. shall be made by

1 the municipal clerk and used to check that the electors vote only once, and by  
2 absentee ballot. If Except as provided in s. 6.34 (2m), if the elector is registering for  
3 the election after the close of registration or if the elector registered by mail or by  
4 electronic application and has not voted in an election in this state, the municipal  
5 clerk shall inform the agent that proof of residence under s. 6.34 is required and the  
6 elector shall enclose proof of residence under s. 6.34 in the envelope with the ballot.  
7 The clerk shall verify that the name on any required proof of identification presented  
8 by the agent conforms to the name on the elector's application. The clerk shall then  
9 enter his or her initials on the carrier envelope indicating that the agent presented  
10 proof of identification to the clerk. The agent is not required to enter a signature on  
11 the registration list. The ballot shall be sealed by the elector and returned to the  
12 municipal clerk either by mail or by personal delivery of the agent; but if the ballot  
13 is returned on the day of the election, the agent shall make personal delivery to the  
14 polling place serving the hospitalized elector's residence before the closing hour or,  
15 in municipalities where absentee ballots are canvassed under s. 7.52, to the  
16 municipal clerk no later than 8 p.m. on election day.

17 **SECTION 15.** 13.124 of the statutes is repealed.

18 **SECTION 16.** 13.127 of the statutes is repealed.

19 **SECTION 17.** 13.365 of the statutes is repealed.

20 **SECTION 18.** 13.48 (10) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 13.48 (10) (a) Except as provided in par. (c), no state board, agency, officer,  
22 department, commission, or body corporate may enter into a contract for the  
23 construction, reconstruction, remodeling of, or addition to any building, structure,  
24 or facility, in connection with any building project which involves a cost in excess of  
25 \$300,000 without completion of final plans and arrangement for supervision of

1 construction and prior approval by the building commission. The building  
2 commission may not approve a contract for the construction, reconstruction,  
3 remodeling of, or addition to a state building as defined in s. 41.51 (2) unless it  
4 determines that the requirements under s. 41.58 have been complied with or that s.  
5 41.58 does not apply. This section applies to the department of transportation only  
6 in respect to buildings, structures, and facilities to be used for administrative or  
7 operating functions, including buildings, land, and equipment to be used for the  
8 motor vehicle emission inspection and maintenance program under s. 110.20.

9 **SECTION 19.** 13.48 (14) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 13.48 (14) (a) (intro.)  
10 and amended to read:

11 13.48 (14) (a) (intro.) In this subsection, "agency":

12 1. "Agency" has the meaning given in s. 16.52 (7).

13 **SECTION 20.** 13.48 (14) (a) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

14 13.48 (14) (a) 2. "Statutory bond purpose" means a purpose specified in s.  
15 20.866 (2) (s) to (zz), but not including any purpose specified in s. 20.866 (2) (s) 1., (z)  
16 1m. to 4m., and (zj) 1. and 2.

17 **SECTION 21.** 13.48 (14) (c) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 13.48 (14) (c) (intro.) Except as provided in par. (e), if there is any outstanding  
19 public debt used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of any  
20 property that is sold or leased under par. (am), the building commission shall deposit  
21 a sufficient amount of the net proceeds from the sale or lease of the property in the  
22 bond security and redemption fund under s. 18.09 to repay the principal and pay the  
23 interest on the debt, and any premium due upon ~~refunding~~ redeeming any of that  
24 debt, except that the commission may deposit some or all of the net proceeds, not to  
25 exceed the amount the commission would have deposited in the bond security and

1 redemption fund, in the capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of  
2 funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em) for a project enumerated under the authorized state  
3 building program that is within the same statutory bond purpose as the property sold  
4 or leased under par. (am). If there is any outstanding public debt used to finance the  
5 acquisition, construction, or improvement of any property that is sold or leased under  
6 par. (am), the building commission shall then provide a sufficient amount of the net  
7 proceeds from the sale or lease of the property for the costs of maintaining federal  
8 tax law compliance applicable to the debt. If the property was acquired, constructed,  
9 or improved with federal financial assistance, the commission shall pay to the federal  
10 government any of the proceeds required by federal law. If the property was acquired  
11 by gift or grant or with gift or grant funds, the commission shall adhere to any  
12 restriction governing use of the proceeds. Except as required under par. (e) and ss.  
13 20.395 (9) (qd) and 51.06 (6), if there is no such debt outstanding, there are no moneys  
14 payable to the federal government, and there is no restriction governing use of the  
15 proceeds, and if the net proceeds exceed the amount required to be deposited, paid,  
16 or used for another purpose under this subsection, the building commission shall use  
17 the net proceeds or remaining net proceeds to pay principal and interest costs on  
18 outstanding public debt issued to finance the acquisition, construction, or  
19 improvement of property, except that the commission may deposit some or all of the  
20 net proceeds in the capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of  
21 funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em) for a project enumerated under the authorized state  
22 building program that is within the same statutory bond purpose as the property sold  
23 or leased under par. (am). If any net proceeds remain thereafter, the commission  
24 shall use the proceeds to pay principal and interest costs on other outstanding public  
25 debt, except that the commission may deposit some or all of the net proceeds in the

1 capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of funding under s. 20.924  
2 (1) (em) for any statutory bond purpose. For the purpose of paying principal and  
3 interest costs on other outstanding public debt under this paragraph, the  
4 commission may cause outstanding bonds to be called for redemption on or following  
5 their optional redemption date, establish one or more escrow accounts to redeem  
6 bonds at their optional redemption date, or purchase bonds in the open market. For  
7 the purpose of using an amount deposited under this paragraph as a substitute  
8 source of funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em), the commission shall determine which  
9 projects to fund and shall authorize expenditures for those projects. To the extent  
10 practical, the commission shall consider all of the following in determining which  
11 public debt to redeem, whether to use any net proceeds as a substitute source of  
12 funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em), and which projects to fund:

13 **SECTION 22.** 13.48 (14) (c) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

14 13.48 (14) (c) 3. The fiscal benefit of redeeming outstanding debt with higher  
15 interest costs and the costs of establishing an escrow needed to redeem the  
16 outstanding debt.

17 **SECTION 23.** 13.48 (14) (c) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

18 13.48 (14) (c) 4. The costs of maintaining federal tax law compliance in the  
19 selection of general obligation debt to be redeemed or the project to be financed under  
20 s. 20.924 (1) (em).

21 **SECTION 24.** 13.48 (14) (cf) of the statutes is created to read:

22 13.48 (14) (cf) If, under par. (c), the commission deposits an amount in the  
23 capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of funding under s. 20.924  
24 (1) (em), the amount of public debt that may be contracted under the statutory bond  
25 purpose for which the amount deposited under par. (c) is used as a substitute source



1 of funding shall be reduced by the amount used as a substitute source of funding for  
2 that statutory bond purpose.

3 **SECTION 25.** 13.48 (14) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 13.48 (14) (cm) If there are any outstanding revenue obligations, issued  
5 pursuant to subch. II of ch. 18, used to finance the acquisition, construction, or  
6 improvement of any property that is sold or leased under par. (am), the commission  
7 shall adhere to any restrictions in the authorizing resolution of the revenue  
8 obligations governing the use of the proceeds. To the extent the authorizing  
9 resolution does not restrict such use, the commission shall deposit a sufficient  
10 amount of the net proceeds from the sale or lease of the property in the respective  
11 redemption fund provided under s. 18.561 (5) or 18.562 (3) to repay the principal and  
12 pay the interest on the revenue obligations, and any premium due upon refunding  
13 redeeming any of the revenue obligations, or shall deposit an amount in the  
14 appropriate fund under s. 18.57 or apply the amount for a purpose for which similar  
15 revenue obligations may be issued under s. 18.53 (3) or (4). If there are any  
16 outstanding revenue obligations, issued pursuant to subch. II of ch. 18, used to  
17 finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of any property that is sold or  
18 leased under par. (am), the commission shall then provide a sufficient amount of the  
19 net proceeds from the sale or lease of the property for the costs of maintaining federal  
20 tax law compliance applicable to the revenue obligations. For the purpose of paying  
21 principal and interest costs on ~~other~~ outstanding revenue obligations, the  
22 commission may cause outstanding revenue obligations to be called for redemption  
23 on or following their optional redemption date, establish one or more escrow accounts  
24 to redeem obligations at their optional redemption date, or purchase bonds on the  
25 open market. Except as required under par. (e) and ss. 20.395 (9) (qd) and 51.06 (6),

1 if the net proceeds exceed the amount required to be deposited, paid, or used for  
2 another purpose under this paragraph, the department shall use the net proceeds  
3 or the remaining net proceeds to pay principal and interest costs on other similar  
4 revenue obligations or for a purpose for which similar revenue obligations may be  
5 issued under s. 18.53 (3) or (4).

6 **SECTION 26.** 13.48 (14) (ct) of the statutes is created to read:

7 13.48 (14) (ct) If under par. (cm) the commission deposits net proceeds into an  
8 appropriate fund provided in s. 18.57 or applies net proceeds for a purpose for which  
9 revenue obligations may be issued, the amount of revenue obligations authorized  
10 under s. 18.54 (2) shall be reduced by the amount deposited or applied.

11 **SECTION 27.** 13.48 (26m) of the statutes is created to read:

12 13.48 (26m) **LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT.** The legislature finds and  
13 determines that the prevalence of lead service lines in connections to public water  
14 systems poses a public health hazard and that processes for reducing lead entering  
15 drinking water from such pipes requires additional treatment of wastewater. It is  
16 therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist  
17 private users of public water systems in replacing lead service lines.

18 **SECTION 28.** 13.49 of the statutes is created to read:

19 **13.49 Redistricting advisory commission. (1) DEFINITIONS.** In this section:

20 (a) "Chief election officer" means the elections commission administrator.

21 (b) "Four selecting authorities" means all of the following:

- 22 1. The majority leader of the senate.
- 23 2. The minority leader of the senate.
- 24 3. The speaker of the assembly.
- 25 4. The minority leader of the assembly.

1 (c) "Partisan public office" means any of the following:

2 1. The office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state treasurer,  
3 attorney general, state senator, or state representative to the assembly.

4 2. A county office that is filled by an election process involving nomination and  
5 election of candidates on a partisan basis.

6 (d) "Political party office" means an elective office in a political party, as defined  
7 in s. 11.0101 (26), or in a national political party.

8 (e) "Relative" means an individual who is related to the person in question as  
9 father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, uncle, aunt, first cousin, nephew, niece,  
10 husband, wife, grandfather, grandmother, father-in-law, mother-in-law,  
11 son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, stepfather,  
12 stepmother, stepson, stepdaughter, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, or half  
13 sister.

14 (2) GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) Not later than February 15 of the first year  
15 following the decennial federal census, a temporary redistricting advisory  
16 commission is created consisting of 5 members. Each of the 4 selecting authorities  
17 shall certify to the chief election officer the selecting authority's appointment of a  
18 person to serve on the commission. Within 30 days after the last selecting authority  
19 has certified his or her appointment, but not later than February 15 of the first year  
20 following the decennial federal census, the 4 commission members so appointed shall  
21 select, by a vote of at least 3 members, and certify to the chief election officer the 5th  
22 commission member, who shall serve as chairperson.

23 (b) No individual may be appointed to the redistricting advisory commission  
24 who satisfies any of the following:

1           1. The individual is not an eligible elector of this state at the time of the  
2 appointment.

3           2. The individual holds partisan public office or political party office.

4           3. The individual is a relative of or is employed by a member of the legislature  
5 or of Congress or is employed directly by the legislature or Congress.

6           (c) Members of the redistricting advisory commission appointed by a selecting  
7 authority shall be reimbursed from the appropriation account under s. 20.765 (1) (a)  
8 or (b), depending upon the house in which that member's appointing authority holds  
9 office, for actual and necessary expenses incurred in performance of duties as a  
10 commission member. The member who is not appointed by a selecting authority  
11 shall be reimbursed from the appropriation under s. 20.765 (1) (a) for actual and  
12 necessary expenses incurred in performance of duties as a commission member.

13           (d) A vacancy on the redistricting advisory commission shall be filled as  
14 provided in s. 17.20 (1) within 15 days after the vacancy occurs.

15           (e) Each redistricting advisory commission terminates upon complying with  
16 sub. (3).

17           **(3) DUTIES.** The redistricting advisory commission shall do all of the following:

18           (a) If requested to do so by the legislative reference bureau, provide direction  
19 to the legislative reference bureau concerning any decision the legislative reference  
20 bureau must make in preparing a redistricting plan under subch. I of ch. 4 for which  
21 no clearly applicable guideline is provided under s. 4.007.

22           (b) Oversee the work of legislative reference bureau employees engaged in  
23 preparing a redistricting plan under subch. I of ch. 4 and may enter into contracts  
24 for hiring experts to assist in the preparing of such plans. The commission may enter  
25 into a contract to retain experts for preparing a redistricting plan only with the

1 approval of three-fourths of the members of the commission and may terminate a  
2 contract employee only with the approval of three-fourths of the members of the  
3 commission.

4 (c) Upon delivery by the legislative reference bureau of a bill embodying a  
5 redistricting plan as required under s. 4.006, make available to the public at the  
6 earliest feasible time all of the following information:

- 7 1. Copies of the bill.
- 8 2. Maps illustrating the plan.
- 9 3. A summary of the standards prescribed under s. 4.007 for development of the  
10 plan.
- 11 4. A statement of the population of each district included in the plan and the  
12 relative deviation of each district population from the ideal district population.

13 (d) Upon delivery by the legislative reference bureau of an initial bill  
14 embodying a redistricting plan as required under s. 4.006 (1), do all of the following:

15 1. As expeditiously as reasonably possible, schedule and conduct public  
16 hearings, in different geographic regions of the state, on the plan embodied in the  
17 bill. No more than one public hearing may be held in the city of Madison, and at least  
18 one public hearing shall be held in each congressional district of the state. The  
19 commission shall hold public hearings on weekends whenever it is practicable.

20 2. Following the hearings held under subd. 1., promptly prepare and submit  
21 to the legislature in the manner provided under s. 13.172 (2) a report summarizing  
22 information and testimony received by the commission in the course of the hearings.  
23 The report may include any comments and conclusions that the commission's  
24 members deem appropriate concerning the information and testimony received at

1 the hearings or otherwise presented to the commission. The report shall be treated  
2 in the same manner as a report submitted under s. 13.172 (2).

3 (4) CONFIDENTIALITY. (a) Except as provided in par. (b), the redistricting  
4 advisory commission may establish policies limiting the information that the  
5 legislative reference bureau may provide to persons outside of the bureau staff  
6 concerning any redistricting plan prepared under subch. I of ch. 4.

7 (b) Any policy established under par. (a) does not apply to a redistricting plan  
8 after a bill embodying that plan is delivered by the legislative reference bureau as  
9 required under s. 4.006 or to population data furnished to the legislative reference  
10 bureau by the U.S. bureau of the census. Notwithstanding s. 13.92 (1) (c), any draft  
11 maps, along with the data sets used to create them, that are produced by the  
12 legislative reference bureau in the course of its work in preparing a bill under s. 4.006  
13 shall be open to public inspection and copying under s. 19.35 (1) and made available  
14 on the Internet site of the legislative reference bureau as soon as they are produced.

15 **SECTION 29.** 13.56 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 13.56 (2) PARTICIPATION IN CERTAIN PROCEEDINGS. The cochairpersons of the joint  
17 committee for review of administrative rules or their designated agents shall accept  
18 service made under ss. 227.40 (5) and 806.04 (11). If the committee determines that  
19 the legislature should be represented in the proceeding, it shall request the joint  
20 committee on legislative organization to ~~intervene in~~ designate the legislature's  
21 representative for the proceeding ~~as provided under s. 806.04 (11)~~. The costs of  
22 participation in the proceeding shall be paid equally from the appropriations under  
23 s. 20.765 (1) (a) and (b), except that such costs incurred by the department of justice  
24 shall be paid from the appropriation under s. 20.455 (1) (d).

25 **SECTION 30.** 13.90 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

1           13.90 (2) The cochairpersons of the joint committee on legislative organization  
2 or their designated agent shall accept service made under ~~ss. s.~~ s. 806.04 (11) and  
3 893.825 (2). If the committee, the senate organization committee, or the assembly  
4 organization committee determines that the legislature should ~~intervene~~ be  
5 represented in the proceeding ~~as provided under s. 803.09 (2m)~~, ~~the assembly shall~~  
6 ~~represent the assembly, the senate shall represent the senate, and the joint~~  
7 ~~committee on legislative organization shall represent the legislature, that~~  
8 committee shall designate the legislature's representative for the proceeding. The  
9 costs of participation in the proceeding shall be paid equally from the appropriations  
10 under s. 20.765 (1) (a) and (b), except that such costs incurred by the department of  
11 justice shall be paid from the appropriation under s. 20.455 (1) (d).

12           **SECTION 31.** 13.91 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

13           13.91 (1) (c) Perform the functions prescribed in ~~ch. 227 s. 227.15~~ for the review  
14 and resolution of problems relating to administrative rules and guidance documents.

15           **SECTION 32.** 13.94 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

16           **13.94 Legislative audit bureau.** (intro.) There is created a bureau to be  
17 known as the "Legislative Audit Bureau," headed by a chief known as the "State  
18 Auditor." The bureau shall be strictly nonpartisan and shall at all times observe the  
19 confidential nature of any audit currently being performed. Subject to s. 230.35 (4)  
20 (a) and (f), the state auditor or designated employees shall at all times with or  
21 without notice have access to all departments and to any books, records, or other  
22 documents maintained by the departments and relating to their expenditures,  
23 revenues, operations, and structure, including specifically any such books, records,  
24 or other documents that are confidential by law, except as provided in sub. (4) and  
25 except that access to documents of counties, cities, villages, towns, or school districts

1 is limited to work performed in connection with audits authorized under sub. (1) (m)  
2 ~~and except that access to documents of the opportunity schools and partnership~~  
3 ~~programs under s. 119.33, subch. IX of ch. 115, and subch. II of ch. 119 is limited to~~  
4 ~~work performed in connection with audits authorized under sub. (1) (os).~~ In the  
5 discharge of any duty imposed by law, the state auditor may subpoena witnesses,  
6 administer oaths and take testimony and cause the deposition of witnesses to be  
7 taken as prescribed for taking depositions in civil actions in circuit courts.

8 **SECTION 33.** 13.94 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 13.94 (1) (b) At the state auditor's discretion or as the joint legislative audit  
10 committee directs, audit the records of each department. Audits of the records of a  
11 county, city, village, town, or school district may be performed only as provided in par.  
12 (m). ~~Audits of the records of the opportunity schools and partnership programs~~  
13 ~~under s. 119.33, subch. IX of ch. 115, and subch. II of ch. 119 may be performed only~~  
14 ~~as provided in par. (os).~~ After completion of any audit under this paragraph, the  
15 bureau shall file with the chief clerk of each house of the legislature, the governor,  
16 the department of administration, the legislative reference bureau, the joint  
17 committee on finance, the legislative fiscal bureau, and the department audited, a  
18 detailed report of the audit, including the bureau's recommendations for  
19 improvement and efficiency and including specific instances, if any, of illegal or  
20 improper expenditures. The chief clerks shall distribute the report to the joint  
21 legislative audit committee, the appropriate standing committees of the legislature,  
22 and the joint committee on legislative organization.

23 **SECTION 34.** 13.94 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 13.94 (1) (e) Make such special examinations of the accounts and financial  
25 transactions of any department, agency, or officer as the legislature, joint legislative



1 audit committee, or joint committee on legislative organization directs.  
2 Examinations of the accounts and transactions of a county, city, village, town, or,  
3 subject to par. (os), of a school district, may be performed only as authorized in par.  
4 (m).

5 **SECTION 35.** 13.94 (1) (os) of the statutes is repealed.

6 **SECTION 36.** 13.94 (1s) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 13.94 (1s) (a) Except as otherwise provided in par. (c), the legislative audit  
8 bureau may charge any department for the reasonable cost of auditing services  
9 performed at the request of a department or at the request of the federal government  
10 that the bureau is not required to perform under sub. (1) (b) or (c) or any other law.  
11 This paragraph does not apply to counties, cities, villages, towns, or school districts  
12 or to the opportunity schools and partnership programs under sub. (1) (os).

13 **SECTION 37.** 15.105 (15) of the statutes is renumbered 15.225 (1) and amended  
14 to read:

15 15.225 (1) LABOR AND INDUSTRY REVIEW COMMISSION. There is created a labor and  
16 industry review commission which is attached to the department of administration  
17 workforce development under s. 15.03, except the budget of the labor and industry  
18 review commission shall be transmitted by the department to the governor without  
19 change or modification by the department, unless agreed to by the labor and industry  
20 review commission. The governor shall appoint an individual to serve at the  
21 pleasure of the governor as general counsel for the commission.

22 **SECTION 38.** 15.105 (34) of the statutes is created to read:

23 15.105 (34) OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY AND CLEAN ENERGY. There is created in the  
24 department of administration an office to be known as the office of sustainability and

1 clean energy. The office shall be under the direction and supervision of a director who  
2 shall be appointed by the governor to serve at the governor's pleasure.

3 SECTION 39. 15.207 (3) of the statutes is repealed.

4 SECTION 40. 15.225 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 **15.225 (title) Same; attached boards and ~~commission~~ commissions.**

6 SECTION 41. 15.253 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 15.374 (2) and amended  
7 to read:

8 15.374 (2) OFFICE OF SCHOOL SAFETY. There is created an office of school safety  
9 in the department of public instruction. The director of the office shall be appointed  
10 by the ~~attorney general~~ state superintendent of public instruction in the classified  
11 service.

12 SECTION 42. 15.315 (title) of the statutes is repealed.

13 SECTION 43. 15.315 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 15.467 (1), and 15.467 (1)  
14 (a), as renumbered, is amended to read:

15 15.467 (1) (a) There is created an interoperability council, attached to the  
16 department of ~~military affairs~~ transportation under s. 15.03.

17 SECTION 44. 15.315 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 15.467 (2), and 15.467 (2)  
18 (a) (intro.), as renumbered, is amended to read:

19 15.467 (2) (a) (intro.) There is created a 911 subcommittee of the  
20 interoperability council, attached to the department of ~~military affairs~~  
21 transportation under s. 15.03. The 911 subcommittee consists of one member serving  
22 a 3-year term who is appointed by the ~~adjutant general~~ secretary of transportation  
23 and the following members serving 3-year terms who are appointed by the governor:

24 SECTION 45. 15.345 (9) of the statutes is created to read:

1           15.345 (9) BUREAU OF NATURAL RESOURCES SCIENCE. There is created in the  
2 division responsible for fish, wildlife, and parks in the department of natural  
3 resources a bureau of natural resources science. The bureau director shall report to,  
4 and serve as the science advisor to, the secretary of natural resources.

5           **SECTION 46.** 15.405 (6) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

6           15.405 (6) (am) Two dental therapists who are licensed under ch. 447.

7           **SECTION 47.** 16.004 (25) of the statutes is created to read:

8           16.004 (25) PROCUREMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES. The department  
9 may provide technical assistance and other services relating to procurement and risk  
10 management, including conducting educational seminars, courses, or conferences,  
11 to local governmental units, as defined in s. 16.97 (7), and private organizations. The  
12 department shall charge and collect fees sufficient to recover the costs of activities  
13 authorized under this subsection.

14          **SECTION 48.** 16.009 (2) (em) of the statutes is amended to read:

15          16.009 (2) (em) Monitor, evaluate, and make recommendations concerning  
16 long-term community support services received by clients of the long-term support  
17 ~~community options program under s. 46.27~~ the self-directed services option, the  
18 family care program, the Family Care Partnership Program, and the program of  
19 all-inclusive care for the elderly.

20          **SECTION 49.** 16.047 (2) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 16.047 (2).

21          **SECTION 50.** 16.047 (2) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

22          **SECTION 51.** 16.047 (3) of the statutes is repealed.

23          **SECTION 52.** 16.047 (4m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

24          16.047 (4m) (b) The department shall establish a program to award grants of  
25 settlement funds from the appropriation under s. 20.855 (4) (h) to eligible applicants

1 for the replacement of public transit vehicles or the installation of charging stations  
2 for vehicles with an electric motor. Any eligible applicant may apply for a grant  
3 under the program.

4 **SECTION 53.** 16.047 (4m) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 16.047 (4m) (c) The department shall award grants under this subsection on  
6 a competitive basis and shall give preference to the replacement of public transit  
7 vehicles or the installation of charging stations for vehicles with an electric motor in  
8 communities or on routes that the department determines are critical for the purpose  
9 of connecting employees with employers.

10 **SECTION 54.** 16.047 (4m) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 16.047 (4m) (d) An eligible applicant may use settlement funds awarded under  
12 this subsection only for the payment of costs incurred by the eligible applicant to  
13 replace public transit vehicles or install charging stations for vehicles with an  
14 electric motor in accordance with the settlement guidelines.

15 **SECTION 55.** 16.047 (4m) (e) of the statutes is repealed.

16 **SECTION 56.** 16.3077 of the statutes is created to read:

17 **16.3077 Housing quality standards grants.** From the appropriation under  
18 s. 20.505 (7) (bp), the department shall award grants to owners of rental housing  
19 units in this state for purposes of satisfying applicable housing quality standards.

20 **SECTION 57.** 16.313 of the statutes is repealed.

21 **SECTION 58.** 16.5185 (1) of the statutes is repealed.

22 **SECTION 59.** 16.5185 (2m) of the statutes is renumbered 16.5185 and amended  
23 to read:

24 **16.5185 Transfers to the transportation fund.** Beginning on June 30,  
25 2020, in each fiscal year, the secretary shall transfer the unencumbered balance of

1 the petroleum inspection fund on June 30, less an amount sufficient to meet the  
2 reserve requirement under this ~~subsection~~ section, from the petroleum inspection  
3 fund to the transportation fund. The petroleum inspection fund balance after a  
4 transfer under this ~~subsection~~ section may not be less than 5 percent of gross  
5 revenues received during the fiscal year in which the transfer is made.

6 **SECTION 60.** 16.643 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 16.643 (2) ELIGIBILITY FOR LONG-TERM CARE PROGRAMS. A person who is  
8 determining eligibility for an individual for a long-term care program under s. 46.27,  
9 46.275, or 46.277, the family care benefit under s. 46.286, the family care partnership  
10 program, the long-term care program defined in s. 46.2899 (1), or any other  
11 demonstration program or program operated under a waiver of federal medicaid law  
12 that provides long-term care benefits shall exclude from the determination any  
13 income from assets accumulated in an account that is part of a qualified ABLE  
14 program under section 529A of the Internal Revenue Code.

15 **SECTION 61.** 16.705 (1b) (f) of the statutes is created to read:

16 16.705 (1b) (f) The department of workforce development for the Project  
17 SEARCH program under s. 47.07.

18 **SECTION 62.** 16.75 (1p) of the statutes is repealed.

19 **SECTION 63.** 16.84 (2m) of the statutes is repealed.

20 **SECTION 64.** 16.84 (5) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 16.84 (5) (a) Have responsibility, subject to approval of the governor, for all  
22 functions relating to the leasing, acquisition, allocation, and utilization of all real  
23 property by the state, except where such responsibility is otherwise provided by the  
24 statutes. In exercising this responsibility, the department may not enter into,  
25 extend, or renew a lease involving an annual rent of more than \$500,000 unless the

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

14 **SECTION 65.** 16.84 (5) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 16.84 (5) (b) (intro.) Before entering into, ~~extending, or renewing a new lease,~~  
16 except for a lease with an annual cost that is less than \$25,000 or except for a lease  
17 for a tower, a department of workforce development job center, a hangar, an  
18 easement, student housing, state public defender office space, a department of  
19 military affairs recruiting office, or a facility with a location required by law or  
20 designated for necessity or practical purposes, do all of the following:

21 **SECTION 66.** 16.84 (5) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

22 16.84 (5) (b) 2. Evaluate comparable lease options within a 10-mile radius of  
23 the property proposed in the lease, ~~or if there are not sufficient comparable~~  
24 ~~properties within a 10-mile radius to perform a meaningful comparison, a wider~~  
25 ~~radius as needed,~~ to ensure the lease rate per square foot does not exceed the lease

1 rate per square foot on comparable properties or the market rate by more than 5  
2 percent.

3 **SECTION 67.** 16.848 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 16.848 (2) (g) Subsection (1) does not apply to property that is subject to sale  
5 by the department of veterans affairs under s. 45.32 (7), 2017 stats.

6 **SECTION 68.** 16.848 (4) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 16.848 (4) (ag) and  
7 amended to read:

8 16.848 (4) (ag) Except as provided in s. 13.48 (14) (e), if there is any outstanding  
9 public debt used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement of any  
10 property that is sold or leased under sub. (1), the department shall deposit a  
11 sufficient amount of the net proceeds from the sale or lease of the property in the bond  
12 security and redemption fund under s. 18.09 to repay the principal and pay the  
13 interest on the debt, and any premium due upon ~~refunding~~ redeeming any of the  
14 debt, except that the department may deposit some or all of the net proceeds, not to  
15 exceed the amount the department would have deposited in the bond security and  
16 redemption fund, in the capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of  
17 funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em) for a project enumerated under the authorized state  
18 building program that is within the same statutory bond purpose as the property sold  
19 or leased under sub. (1). If there is any outstanding public debt used to finance the  
20 acquisition, construction, or improvement of any property that is sold or leased under  
21 sub. (1), the department shall then provide a sufficient amount of the net proceeds  
22 from the sale or lease of the property for the costs of maintaining federal tax law  
23 compliance applicable to the debt. If the property was acquired, constructed, or  
24 improved with federal financial assistance, the department shall pay to the federal  
25 government any of the net proceeds required by federal law. If the property was

1 acquired by gift or grant or acquired with gift or grant funds, the department shall  
2 adhere to any restriction governing use of the proceeds. Except as required under  
3 ss. 13.48 (14) (e), 20.395 (9) (qd), and 51.06 (6), if there is no such debt outstanding,  
4 there are no moneys payable to the federal government, and there is no restriction  
5 governing use of the proceeds, and if the net proceeds exceed the amount required  
6 to be deposited, paid, or used for another purpose under this subsection, the  
7 department shall use the net proceeds or remaining net proceeds to pay principal and  
8 interest costs on outstanding public debt issued to finance the acquisition,  
9 construction, or improvement of property, except that the department may deposit  
10 some or all of the net proceeds in the capital improvement fund for use as a substitute  
11 source of funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em) for a project enumerated under the  
12 authorized state building program that is within the same statutory bond purpose  
13 as the property sold or leased under sub. (1). If any net proceeds remain thereafter,  
14 the department shall use the proceeds to pay principal and interest costs on other  
15 outstanding public debt, except that the department may deposit some or all of the  
16 net proceeds in the capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of  
17 funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em) for any statutory bond purpose.

18 **SECTION 69.** 16.848 (4) (ab) of the statutes is created to read:

19 16.848 (4) (ab) In this subsection, "statutory bond purpose" has the meaning  
20 given in s. 13.48 (14) (a) 2.

21 **SECTION 70.** 16.848 (4) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

22 16.848 (4) (am) If, under par. (ag), the department deposits an amount in the  
23 capital improvement fund for use as a substitute source of funding under s. 20.924  
24 (1) (em), the amount of public debt that may be contracted under the statutory bond  
25 purpose for which the amount deposited under par. (ag) is used as a substitute source



1 of funding shall be reduced by the amount used as a substitute source of funding for  
2 that statutory bond purpose.

3 **SECTION 71.** 16.848 (4) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 16.848 (4) (b) (intro.) For the purpose of paying principal and interest costs on  
5 other outstanding public debt under par. (a) (ag), the secretary may cause  
6 outstanding bonds to be called for redemption on or following their optional  
7 redemption date, establish one or more escrow accounts to redeem bonds at their  
8 optional redemption date, or purchase bonds in the open market. For the purpose of  
9 using an amount deposited under par. (ag) as a substitute source of funding under  
10 s. 20.924 (1) (em), the department shall determine which projects to fund and shall  
11 authorize expenditures for those projects. To the extent practical, the secretary shall  
12 consider all of the following in determining which public debt to redeem, whether to  
13 use any net proceeds as a substitute source of funding under s. 20.924 (1) (em), and  
14 which projects to fund:

15 **SECTION 72.** 16.848 (4) (b) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

16 16.848 (4) (b) 4. The fiscal benefit of redeeming outstanding debt with higher  
17 interest costs and the costs of establishing an escrow needed to redeem the  
18 outstanding debt.

19 **SECTION 73.** 16.848 (4) (b) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

20 16.848 (4) (b) 5. The costs of maintaining federal tax law compliance in the  
21 selection of general obligation debt to be redeemed or the project to be financed under  
22 s. 20.924 (1) (em).

23 **SECTION 74.** 16.848 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 16.848 (4) (c) If there are any outstanding revenue obligations, issued pursuant  
25 to subch. II of ch. 18, used to finance the acquisition, construction, or improvement

1 of any property that is sold or leased under sub. (1), the department shall adhere to  
2 any restrictions in the authorizing resolution of the revenue obligations governing  
3 the use of the proceeds. To the extent the authorizing resolution does not restrict  
4 such use, the department shall deposit a sufficient amount of the net proceeds from  
5 the sale or lease of the property in the respective redemption fund provided under  
6 s. 18.561 (5) or 18.562 (3) to repay the principal and pay the interest on the revenue  
7 obligations, and any premium due upon ~~refunding~~ redeeming any of the revenue  
8 obligations, or shall deposit an amount in the appropriate fund under s. 18.57 or  
9 apply the amount for a purpose for which similar revenue obligations may be issued  
10 under s. 18.53 (3) or (4). If there are any outstanding revenue obligations, issued  
11 pursuant to subch. II of ch. 18, used to finance the acquisition, construction, or  
12 improvement of any property that is sold or leased under sub. (1), the department  
13 shall then provide a sufficient amount of the net proceeds from the sale or lease of  
14 the property for the costs of maintaining federal tax law compliance applicable to the  
15 revenue obligations. For the purpose of paying principal and interest costs on ~~other~~  
16 outstanding revenue obligations, the secretary may cause outstanding revenue  
17 obligations to be called for redemption on or following their optional redemption  
18 date, establish one or more escrow accounts to redeem obligations at their optional  
19 redemption date, or purchase bonds on the open market. Except as required under  
20 ss. 13.48 (14) (e), 20.395 (9) (qd), and 51.06 (6), if the net proceeds exceed the amount  
21 required to be deposited, paid, or used for another purpose under this paragraph, the  
22 department shall use the net proceeds or remaining net proceeds to pay principal and  
23 interest costs on other similar revenue obligations or for a purpose for which similar  
24 revenue obligations may be issued under s. 18.53 (3) or (4).

25 **SECTION 75.** 16.848 (4) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

1           16.848 (4) (d) If under par. (c) the department deposits net proceeds into an  
2 appropriate fund provided in s. 18.57 or applies net proceeds for a purpose for which  
3 revenue obligations may be issued, the amount of revenue obligations authorized  
4 under s. 18.54 (2) shall be reduced by the amount deposited or applied.

5           **SECTION 76.** 16.855 (1p) of the statutes is repealed.

6           **SECTION 77.** 16.954 of the statutes is created to read:

7           **16.954 Office of sustainability and clean energy. (1) DEFINITIONS.** In this  
8 section:

9           (a) "Office" means the office of sustainability and clean energy.

10          (b) "Public utility" has the meaning given in s. 196.01 (5).

11          **(2) INITIATIVES.** The office shall work on initiatives that have the following  
12 goals:

13          (a) Promoting the development and use of clean and renewable energy across  
14 this state.

15          (b) Advancing innovative sustainability solutions in ways that improve this  
16 state's economy and environment, including energy initiatives that reduce carbon  
17 emissions, accelerate economic growth, and lower customer energy costs.

18          (c) Diversifying the resources used to reliably meet the energy needs of  
19 consumers in this state and generate family-supporting jobs through the expansion  
20 of this state's clean energy economy.

21          **(3) OTHER DUTIES.** The office shall do all of the following:

22          (b) Provide advice and support to state agencies in developing or retrofitting  
23 sustainable infrastructure to reduce energy use and lessen negative impacts on this  
24 state's air and water quality.

1 (c) Study and report on the status of existing clean and renewable energy  
2 efforts by the state, including economic development initiatives, and develop future  
3 energy policy opportunities for consideration by the governor and state agencies.

4 (d) Serve as a single point of contact to assist businesses, local units of  
5 government, and nongovernmental organizations that are pursuing clean energy  
6 opportunities.

7 (e) Identify and share information about clean energy funding opportunities  
8 for private, and state and local governmental entities.

9 (f) Perform duties necessary to maintain federal energy funding and any  
10 designations required for such funding.

11 (i) Take other steps necessary to facilitate the implementation of the initiatives  
12 and goals specified in sub. (2) and to identify and address barriers to the  
13 implementation of those initiatives.

14 (4) CLEAN ENERGY GRANTS. The office shall establish a program for making  
15 grants from the appropriation under s. 20.505 (4) (q) to fund research in support of  
16 clean energy production.

17 (5) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. (a) The office may provide technical assistance to  
18 units of government other than the state to assist in the planning and  
19 implementation of energy efficiency and renewable resources and may charge for  
20 those services. The office may request technical and staff assistance from other state  
21 agencies in providing technical assistance to those units of government.

22 (b) The office may require a public utility to provide energy billing and use data  
23 regarding public schools, if the office determines that the data is necessary to provide  
24 technical assistance under par. (a) in public schools, including those with the highest  
25 energy costs.

1 (c) The office shall consult with the public service commission in implementing  
2 this subsection.

3 **SECTION 78.** 16.956 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 16.956 (2) **AUTHORITY.** ~~Beginning on July 1, 2006, and ending on June 30, 2020,~~  
5 ~~the~~ The department may award a grant to an eligible applicant for the purchase and  
6 field testing of one or more idling reduction units as provided in subs. (3) and (4).

7 **SECTION 79.** 16.956 (4) (cm) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 16.956 (4) (cm) Subject to par. (d), the department may make grants under this  
9 section ~~from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2020,~~ of 50 percent of the eligible costs for an  
10 idling reduction unit installed on a truck tractor, unless the department has  
11 previously awarded a grant under this section for an idling reduction unit installed  
12 on the truck tractor.

13 **SECTION 80.** 16.956 (6) of the statutes is repealed.

14 **SECTION 81.** 16.969 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 196.492 (title).

15 **SECTION 82.** 16.969 (1) (intro.) and (b) of the statutes are consolidated,  
16 renumbered 196.492 (1) and amended to read:

17 196.492 (1) In this section: ~~(b) "High-voltage,~~ "high-voltage transmission line"  
18 means a high-voltage transmission line, as defined in s. 196.491 (1) (f), that is  
19 designed for operation at a nominal voltage of 345 kilovolts or more.

20 **SECTION 83.** 16.969 (1) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

21 **SECTION 84.** 16.969 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 196.492 (2), and 196.492  
22 (2) (intro.), as renumbered, is amended to read:

23 196.492 (2) (intro.) The ~~department~~ commission shall promulgate rules that  
24 require a person who is issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity by the

1 commission under s. 196.491 (3) for a high-voltage transmission line to pay the  
2 ~~department~~ commission the following fees:

3 **SECTION 85.** 16.969 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 196.492 (3), and 196.492  
4 (3) (a) and (b) 1. and 2., as renumbered, are amended to read:

5 196.492 (3) (a) The ~~department~~ commission shall distribute the fees that are  
6 paid by a person under the rules promulgated under sub. (2) (a) to each town, village  
7 and city that is identified by the commission under s. 196.491 (3) (gm) in proportion  
8 to the amount of investment that is allocated by the commission under s. 196.491 (3)  
9 (gm) to each such town, village and city.

10 (b) 1. The ~~department~~ commission shall pay 50 percent of the fee to each county  
11 that is identified by the commission under s. 196.491 (3) (gm) in proportion to the  
12 amount of investment that is allocated by the commission under s. 196.491 (3) (gm)  
13 to each such county.

14 2. The ~~department~~ commission shall pay 50 percent of the fee to each town,  
15 village and city that is identified by the commission under s. 196.491 (3) (gm) in  
16 proportion to the amount of investment that is allocated by the commission under  
17 s. 196.491 (3) (gm) to each such town, village and city.

18 **SECTION 86.** 16.969 (4) of the statutes is renumbered 196.492 (4).

19 **SECTION 87.** 16.99 (3r) of the statutes is created to read:

20 16.99 (3r) "Rural territory" means any territory, population, and housing units  
21 located outside urbanized areas or urban clusters.

22 **SECTION 88.** 16.99 (6) of the statutes is repealed.

23 **SECTION 89.** 16.9945 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 16.9945 (1) COMPETITIVE GRANTS. (intro.) In fiscal years 2017-18 and, 2018-19,  
25 2019-20, and 2020-21, the department may annually award grants on a competitive

1 basis to eligible school districts and to eligible public libraries for the purpose of  
2 improving information technology infrastructure. For purposes of awarding grants  
3 under this section, “improving information technology infrastructure” includes  
4 purchasing and installing on a bus a portable device that creates an area of wireless  
5 Internet coverage and purchasing for individuals to temporarily borrow from a  
6 school or for patrons to check out from a public library a portable device that creates  
7 an area of wireless Internet coverage. In awarding grants to eligible school districts  
8 under this section, the department shall give priority to applications for school  
9 districts in which the percentage of pupils who satisfy the income eligibility criteria  
10 under 42 USC 1758 (b) (1) for a free or reduced-price lunch is greater than in other  
11 applicant school districts. The department shall require an applicant for a grant  
12 under this section to provide all of the following:

13 **SECTION 90.** 16.9945 (2) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 16.9945 (2) and  
14 amended to read:

15 16.9945 (2) A school district is eligible for a grant under this section ~~in fiscal~~  
16 ~~year 2017-18~~ if the school district’s membership in the ~~previous~~ most recent school  
17 year for which finalized school year data is available divided by the school district’s  
18 area in square miles is 16 or less.

19 **SECTION 91.** 16.9945 (2) (b) of the statutes is repealed.

20 **SECTION 92.** 16.9945 (2m) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is repealed.

21 **SECTION 93.** 16.9945 (2m) (a) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 16.99 (3c).

22 **SECTION 94.** 16.9945 (2m) (a) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 16.99 (5g).

23 **SECTION 95.** 16.9945 (2m) (a) 3. of the statutes is renumbered 16.99 (5r).

24 **SECTION 96.** 16.9945 (2m) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 16.9945  
25 (2m) (b) and amended to read:

1           16.9945 (2m) (b) A public library, including the branch of a public library a  
2           library branch, is eligible for a grant under this section in ~~fiscal year 2017-18 or in~~  
3           ~~fiscal year 2018-19 or in both fiscal years~~ if the population of the municipality within  
4           which the library or ~~branch of the library~~ library branch is located, as determined  
5           in the first year of the fiscal biennium, is 20,000 or less and if the public library or  
6           ~~branch~~ library branch is located in one of the following areas of the state: a rural  
7           territory.

8           **SECTION 97.** 16.9945 (2m) (b) 1. to 3. of the statutes are repealed.

9           **SECTION 98.** 16.9945 (2m) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

10           16.9945 (2m) (c) A consortium of public libraries is eligible for a grant under  
11           this section and a public library system is eligible for a grant under this section if all  
12           of the following apply:

13           1. Either of the following applies:

14           a. The consortium consists of 3 or more eligible public libraries or library  
15           branches.

16           b. The public library system contains 3 or more eligible public libraries or  
17           library branches.

18           2. The consortium or public library system applies for a grant under this  
19           section.

20           **SECTION 99.** 16.9945 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

21           16.9945 (3) (a) If the membership of the eligible school district, as determined  
22           in the first year of the fiscal biennium, is fewer than 750 pupils, \$30,000.

23           **SECTION 100.** 16.9945 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:



1           16.9945 (3) (b) If the membership of the eligible school district, as determined  
2 in the first year of the fiscal biennium, is 750 pupils to 1,500 pupils, \$40 multiplied  
3 by the school district's membership.

4           **SECTION 101.** 16.9945 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

5           16.9945 (3) (c) If the membership of the eligible school district, as determined  
6 in the first year of the fiscal biennium, is more than 1,500 pupils, \$60,000.

7           **SECTION 102.** 16.9945 (3m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

8           16.9945 (3m) (a) If the population of the municipality within which the eligible  
9 public library or ~~branch~~ library branch is located, as determined in the first year of  
10 the fiscal biennium, is 2,000 or less, \$5,000.

11           **SECTION 103.** 16.9945 (3m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12           16.9945 (3m) (b) If the population of the municipality within which the eligible  
13 public library or ~~branch~~ library branch is located, as determined in the first year of  
14 the fiscal biennium, is at least 2,001 but less than 5,000, \$7,500.

15           **SECTION 104.** 16.9945 (3m) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

16           16.9945 (3m) (c) If the population of the municipality within which the eligible  
17 public library or ~~branch~~ library branch is located, as determined in the first year of  
18 the fiscal biennium, is at least 5,000 but less than 20,001, \$10,000.

19           **SECTION 105.** 16.9945 (4) of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

20           16.9945 (4) FUNDING LIMITATION. The department may not award grants under  
21 this section that total more than \$3,000,000 in the 2019-20 or 2020-21 fiscal year.

22           **SECTION 106.** 16.9945 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

23           16.9945 (5) SUNSET. The department may not award grants under this section  
24 after ~~July 1, 2019~~ June 30, 2021.

25           **SECTION 107.** 16.996 of the statutes is repealed.

1           **SECTION 108.** 16.997 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           16.997 (1) Except as provided in s. 196.218 (4t), the department shall  
3 promulgate rules establishing an educational telecommunications access program  
4 to provide educational agencies with access to data lines ~~and video links~~.

5           **SECTION 109.** 16.997 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

6           16.997 (2) (a) Allow an educational agency to make a request to the department  
7 for access to data lines ~~and video links~~.

8           **SECTION 110.** 16.997 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

9           16.997 (2) (b) Establish eligibility requirements for an educational agency to  
10 participate in the program established under sub. (1) and to receive additional  
11 telecommunications access under s. 16.998, including a requirement that a charter  
12 school sponsor use data lines ~~and video links~~ to benefit pupils attending the charter  
13 school and a requirement that Internet access to material that is harmful to children,  
14 as defined in s. 948.11 (1) (b), is blocked on the computers of juvenile correctional  
15 facilities that are served by data links ~~and video links~~ subsidized under this section.

16           **SECTION 111.** 16.997 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

17           16.997 (2) (c) Establish specifications for data lines ~~and video links~~ for which  
18 access is provided to an educational agency under the program established under  
19 sub. (1) or for which additional access is provided to an educational agency under s.  
20 16.998.

21           **SECTION 112.** 16.997 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

22           16.997 (2) (d) Require an educational agency to pay the department not more  
23 than \$250 per month for each data line ~~or video link~~ that is provided to the  
24 educational agency under the program established under sub. (1), except that the