AN ACT relating to: directing the federal COVID recovery rebates received by prisoners to restitution payments.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, all money delivered to a prison for a prisoner may be used only under the direction of the superintendent or warden and only to pay certain surcharges, to pay victim restitution, or for the benefit of the prisoner. This bill requires that any federal COVID recovery rebates received by a person who is incarcerated in this state must be used to pay any restitution the person has been ordered to pay.

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

SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) Notwithstanding s. 301.32 (1), any COVID recovery rebates from the federal government received on or after the effective date of this subsection by a person who is incarcerated in this state shall be applied first to satisfy any restitution the person has been ordered to pay.