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**SENATE AMENDMENT 9,
TO SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 2,
TO SENATE BILL 45**

July 2, 2025 - Offered by Senators HESSELBEIN, SMITH, SPREITZER, DRAKE, L. JOHNSON, ROYS, CARPENTER, DASSLER-ALFHEIM, HABUSH SINYKIN, KEYESKI, LARSON, PFAFF, RATCLIFF and WALL.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

2 **1.** At the appropriate place, insert the schedule for s. 20.410 from 2025
3 Senate Bill 45 covering the department of corrections.

4 **2.** At the appropriate place, insert all of the following:

5 **“SECTION 9108. Nonstatutory provisions; Corrections.**

6 (1) POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS. The authorized positions for the department
7 of corrections are increased as provided in 2025 Senate Bill 45.”.

8 **3.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

9 **“SECTION 1. 15.145 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:**

10 **15.145 (title) Same; attached boards, commissions, ~~and~~ councils, and**
11 **offices.**

1 **SECTION 2.** 15.145 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

2 15.145 (7) OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSPERSON FOR CORRECTIONS. There is created
3 an office of the ombudsperson for corrections, attached to the department of
4 corrections under s. 15.03. The office shall be under the direction and supervision
5 of an ombudsperson who shall be nominated by the governor, with the advice and
6 consent of three-fourths of members elected to the senate appointed, and may be
7 removed only by the governor for just cause.

8 **SECTION 3.** 20.410 (3) (ab) of the statutes is created to read:

9 20.410 (3) (ab) *Contract payments for placement of juveniles.* A sum
10 sufficient, not to exceed \$20,000,000 in each fiscal year, for payments made in
11 accordance with contracts for placement of juveniles who are under the supervision
12 of the department of corrections under ch. 938.

13 **SECTION 4.** 20.410 (3) (ab) of the statutes, as created by 2025 Wisconsin Act ...
14 (this act), is repealed.

15 **SECTION 5.** 20.410 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

16 20.410 (4) OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSPERSON FOR CORRECTIONS. (a) *General*
17 *program operations.* The amounts in the schedule for the general program
18 operations of the office of the ombudsperson for corrections.

19 (i) *Gifts and grants.* All moneys received from gifts and grants to carry out the
20 purposes for which made.

21 (k) *Interagency and intra-agency assistance.* All moneys received from the
22 department or any other state agency to carry out the purposes for which received.

23 (m) *Federal aid.* All moneys received as federal aid as authorized by the
24 governor under s. 16.54 to carry out the purposes for which received.

1 **SECTION 6.** 20.835 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

2 20.835 (1) (b) *Refunds of certain tax payments made for nontaxable tribal*
3 *land.* A sum sufficient to make the payments under 2025 Act (this act), section
4 9137 (1).

5 **SECTION 7.** 20.835 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

6 20.835 (1) (c) *County and municipal aid for nontaxable tribal land.* The
7 amounts in the schedule to make the payments under s. 79.07.

8 **SECTION 8.** 20.923 (6) (bn) of the statutes is created to read:

9 20.923 (6) (bn) Corrections, department of: ombudsperson of the office of the
10 ombudsperson for corrections.

11 **SECTION 9.** 46.057 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 46.057 (2) From the appropriation account under s. 20.410 (3) (ba) or (hm),
13 the department of corrections shall reimburse the department of health services for
14 the cost of providing services for juveniles who are under the supervision of the
15 department of corrections and are placed at the Mendota juvenile treatment center
16 at a per person daily cost specified by the department of health services. The
17 department of health services may charge the department of corrections not more
18 than the actual cost of providing those services.

19 **SECTION 10.** 79.07 of the statutes is created to read:

20 **79.07 County and municipal aid for nontaxable tribal land. (1)**
21 Beginning in 2026, the following counties and towns shall annually receive a
22 payment in an amount determined by the department of revenue under sub. (2):

23 (a) Ashland County.

24 (b) Bayfield County.

1 (c) Iron County.

2 (d) Sawyer County.

3 (e) Vilas County.

4 (f) Town of Ashland.

5 (g) Town of Gingles.

6 (h) Town of Sanborn.

7 (i) Town of White River.

8 (j) Town of Russell, located in Bayfield County.

9 (k) Town of Sherman, located in Iron County.

10 (L) Town of Bass Lake, located in Sawyer County.

11 (m) Town of Couderay.

12 (n) Town of Hayward.

13 (o) Town of Radisson.

14 (p) Town of Sand Lake, located in Sawyer County.

15 (q) Town of Boulder Junction.

16 (r) Town of Lac du Flambeau.

17 **(2)** (a) The department of revenue shall annually determine the amount of the
18 payment to each county and town under sub. (1) to compensate the county or town
19 for the loss of property tax revenue as a result of not being able to legally impose
20 local general property taxes on property located within the boundaries of an
21 American Indian reservation and owned by the tribe or tribal members, consistent
22 with the 1854 Treaty of La Pointe.

23 (b) The department of revenue shall certify the amount of the payment due
24 each county and town under sub. (1) to the department of administration, and the

1 department of administration shall make the payment on or before the first Monday
2 in May.

3 **SECTION 11.** 230.08 (2) (ym) of the statutes is created to read:

4 230.08 (2) (ym) The ombudsperson of the office of the ombudsperson for
5 corrections.

6 **SECTION 12.** 301.26 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 301.26 (4) (b) Assessment of costs under par. (a) shall be made periodically on
8 the basis of the per person per day cost estimate specified in par. (d) ~~2.~~ 3. and 4.
9 Except as provided in pars. (bm), (c), and (cm), liability shall apply to county
10 departments under s. 46.215, 46.22, or 46.23 in the county of the court exercising
11 jurisdiction under ch. 938 for each person receiving services from the department of
12 corrections under s. 938.183 or 938.34 or the department of health services under s.
13 46.057 or 51.35 (3). Except as provided in pars. (bm), (c), and (cm), in multicounty
14 court jurisdictions, the county of residency within the jurisdiction shall be liable for
15 costs under this subsection. Assessment of costs under par. (a) shall also be made
16 according to the general placement type or level of care provided, as defined by the
17 department, and prorated according to the ratio of the amount designated under s.
18 48.526 (3) (c) to the total applicable estimated costs of care, services, and supplies
19 provided by the department of corrections under ss. 938.183 and 938.34 and the
20 department of health services under s. 46.057 or 51.35 (3).

21 **SECTION 13.** 301.26 (4) (cm) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

22 301.26 (4) (cm) 3. The per person daily reimbursement rate for juvenile
23 correctional services under this paragraph shall be equal to the per person daily

1 cost assessment to counties under par. (d) ~~2~~, 3, and 4. for juvenile correctional
2 services.

3 **SECTION 14.** 301.26 (4) (cx) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 301.26 (4) (cx) If, notwithstanding ss. 16.50 (2), 16.52, 20.002 (11), and
5 20.903, there is a deficit in the appropriation account under s. 20.410 (3) (hm) at the
6 close of a fiscal biennium, the governor shall, to address that deficit, increase each
7 of the rates specified under s. 301.26 (4) (d) ~~2~~ and 3. for care in a Type 1 juvenile
8 correctional facility and for care for juveniles transferred from a correctional
9 institution by \$6, in addition to any increase due to actual costs, in the executive
10 budget bill for each fiscal biennium, until the deficit under s. 20.410 (3) (hm) is
11 eliminated.

12 **SECTION 15.** 301.26 (4) (d) 2. of the statutes is repealed.

13 **SECTION 16.** 301.26 (4) (d) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

14 301.26 (4) (d) 3. Beginning on July 1, ~~2024~~ 2025, and ending on June 30, ~~2025~~
15 2027, the per person daily cost assessment to counties shall be, for care in a Type 1
16 juvenile correctional facility, as defined in s. 938.02 (19), \$1,268 and, for care for
17 juveniles transferred from a juvenile correctional institution under s. 51.35 (3),
18 \$1,268.

19 **SECTION 17.** 301.55 of the statutes is created to read:

20 **301.55 Office of the ombudsperson for corrections. (1) DEFINITIONS.**

21 In this section:

22 (a) "Office" means the office of the ombudsperson for corrections.

23 (b) "Ombudsperson" means the ombudsperson of the office.

24 **(2) STAFF.** The ombudsperson may appoint, in the classified service, one

1 deputy ombudsperson of the office, and employees for the office to complete the
2 ombudsperson's duties described under this section. The ombudsperson may
3 delegate to the deputy ombudsperson or other employees of the office any of the
4 ombudsperson's authority or duties except those described under subs. (5) (b) and
5 (7) (b).

6 **(3) POWERS.** The ombudsperson may do all of the following:

7 (a) Investigate, upon a complaint or upon personal initiative, any matter
8 described under sub. (4).

9 (b) Determine the scope and manner of investigations to be made.

10 (c) Enter and inspect, at any time, premises within the control of the
11 department.

12 (d) Examine records and documents in the possession of the department,
13 including corrections and detention data and medical data maintained by the
14 department and classified as private or confidential data on individuals when
15 access to the data is necessary for the ombudsperson to perform the powers
16 authorized under this subsection.

17 (e) Subpoena witnesses and the production of books, papers, records, and
18 documents material to an investigation conducted by the office.

19 (f) Attend any proceedings and deliberations relating to the granting or
20 revocation of parole, extended supervision, or probation.

21 **(4) INVESTIGATIONS.** The ombudsperson may investigate any of the following:

22 (a) Complaints regarding state correctional institutions and abuse, unfair
23 acts, and violations of rights of prisoners and juveniles.

24 (b) The policies or practices of the department.

1 (c) Any action by the department that may be contrary to law or rule.

2 (d) Any other action by the department that has been alleged to be
3 unreasonable, unfair, oppressive, or inconsistent with any policy or judgment of the
4 department.

5 (e) Procedures and practices that may lessen the risk that objectionable
6 actions by the department may occur in the future.

7 **(5) COMPLAINTS.** (a) The ombudsperson shall create a complaint form and
8 provide sufficient blank copies of the form and self-sealing envelopes to state
9 correctional institutions for distribution to prisoners and juveniles. Blank copies of
10 the form and self-sealing envelopes shall be placed in locations where prisoners and
11 juveniles regularly visit, such as a common area or library, and shall be provided
12 upon request to a prisoner or juvenile. The department shall also make the form
13 available on its website.

14 (b) An operator of a state correctional institution shall immediately forward a
15 complaint form described under par. (a) that has been completed by a prisoner or
16 juvenile to the office. No individual other than an authorized employee of the office
17 may open an envelope that contains a complaint form.

18 (c) The ombudsperson shall review each complaint form received under par.
19 (b) and determine whether to make a recommendation regarding the complaint
20 directly to the state correctional institution where the prisoner or juvenile is
21 housed, the governor, the legislature, or other party, or make no recommendation.

22 (d) No operator of a state correctional institution may open and preview or
23 screen mail addressed from the office to a prisoner or juvenile residing at the state
24 correctional institution unless the operator has reason to believe that the mail

1 contains contraband or is not a document from the office. If the operator has reason
2 to believe that the mail contains contraband or is not a document from the office,
3 the operator may open and inspect the mail in the presence of the prisoner or
4 juvenile to whom it was addressed, but may inspect the document only to the extent
5 necessary to determine whether it contains contraband or is not a document from
6 the office. The operator may read the mail only if, after inspection, the operator has
7 reason to believe it not a document from the office.

8 (6) DISCLOSURES. Information in the possession of the office that relates to a
9 client, complaint, or investigation of the office may be disclosed only at the
10 discretion of the ombudsperson or his or her designated representative. A
11 disclosure of information under this subsection relating to a client, named witness,
12 or a prisoner or juvenile who is not a client may be made only if one of the following
13 applies:

14 (a) The disclosure is authorized in writing by the client, named witness,
15 prisoner, or juvenile or his or her legal guardian, if applicable.

16 (b) The disclosure is made pursuant to a lawful order of a court of competent
17 jurisdiction.

18 (7) REPORTS. (a) If the ombudsperson determines to make a recommendation
19 under sub. (5) (c) directly to the state correctional institution where the prisoner or
20 juvenile is housed, the warden or superintendent of the state correctional
21 institution shall respond within 30 days. The warden or superintendent shall
22 include in the response what actions the warden or superintendent is taking as a
23 result of the recommendations of the ombudsperson and why the warden or
24 superintendent is taking those actions or not taking actions.

1 (b) If the ombudsperson has reason to believe that any public official or
2 employee has acted in a manner warranting criminal or disciplinary proceedings,
3 the ombudsperson may refer the matter to the appropriate authorities.

4 (c) The ombudsperson shall, at the request of the governor at any time, report
5 to the governor on any matter over which the ombudsperson has authority.

6 (d) On or before December 31 of each year, the ombudsperson shall submit to
7 the governor, the chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution to the
8 legislature under s. 13.172 (2), and the secretary of corrections a report of the
9 ombudsperson's findings and recommendations for improvements to policies and
10 practices at state correctional institutions and the results of the ombudsperson's
11 investigations conducted under sub. (4).

12 **SECTION 18.** 302.05 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 **302.05 (title) Wisconsin ~~substance abuse~~ earned release program.**

14 **SECTION 19.** 302.05 (1) (am) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 302.05 (1) (am) (intro.) The department of corrections and the department of
16 health services may designate a section of a mental health institute as a
17 correctional treatment facility for the treatment of substance ~~abuse~~ use disorder of
18 inmates transferred from Wisconsin state prisons. ~~This section shall be~~
19 ~~administered by the department of corrections and shall be known as the Wisconsin~~
20 ~~substance abuse program.~~ The department of corrections and the department of
21 health services shall ensure that the residents at the institution and the residents
22 in the substance ~~abuse~~ use disorder program:

23 **SECTION 20.** 302.05 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 302.05 (1) (b) The department of corrections and the department of health

1 services shall, at any correctional facility the departments determine is
2 appropriate, provide a substance ~~abuse~~ use disorder treatment program for inmates
3 for the purposes of the program described in sub. (3).

4 **SECTION 21.** 302.05 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

5 302.05 (1) (c) 1. In this paragraph, “vocational readiness training program”
6 means an educational, vocational, treatment, or other evidence-based training
7 program to reduce recidivism.

8 2. The department shall, at any correctional facility the department
9 determines is appropriate, provide vocational readiness training programs for the
10 purposes of the program described in sub. (3).

11 **SECTION 22.** 302.05 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 302.05 (2) Transfer to a correctional treatment facility for the treatment of a
13 substance ~~abuse~~ use disorder shall be considered a transfer under s. 302.18.

14 **SECTION 23.** 302.05 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

15 302.05 (3) (a) 2. ~~If the inmate is serving a bifurcated sentence imposed under~~
16 ~~s. 973.01, the sentencing court decided under par. (c) or s. 973.01 (3g) The~~
17 department determines that the inmate is eligible to participate in the earned
18 release program described in this subsection. In making its determination, the
19 department shall consider a decision of the sentencing court under s. 302.05 (3) (e),
20 2023 stats., or s. 973.01 (3g), 2023 stats.

21 **SECTION 24.** 302.05 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 302.05 (3) (b) Except as provided in par. (d), if the department determines
23 that an eligible inmate serving a sentence other than one imposed under s. 973.01

1 has successfully completed a substance use disorder treatment program described
2 in sub. (1) (b), a vocational readiness training program described in sub. (1) (c), or
3 the mother-young child care program under s. 301.049, the parole commission shall
4 parole the inmate for that sentence under s. 304.06, regardless of the time the
5 inmate has served. If the parole commission grants parole under this paragraph for
6 the completion of a substance use disorder treatment program, it shall require the
7 parolee to participate in an intensive supervision program for drug abusers as a
8 condition of parole.

9 **SECTION 25.** 302.05 (3) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

10 302.05 (3) (c) 1. Except as provided in par. (d), if the department determines
11 that an eligible inmate serving the term of confinement in prison portion of a
12 bifurcated sentence imposed under s. 973.01 has successfully completed a
13 substance use disorder treatment program described in sub. (1) (b), a vocational
14 readiness training program described in sub. (1) (c), or the mother-young child care
15 program under s. 301.049, the department shall inform the court that sentenced
16 the inmate.

17 **SECTION 26.** 302.05 (3) (c) 2. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 302.05 (3) (c) 2. (intro.) Upon being informed by the department under subd.
19 1. that an inmate whom the court sentenced under s. 973.01 has successfully
20 completed a substance use disorder treatment program described in sub. (1) (b), a
21 vocational readiness training program described in sub. (1) (c), or the mother-young
22 child care program under s. 301.049, the court shall modify the inmate's bifurcated
23 sentence as follows:

1 **SECTION 27.** 302.05 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 302.05 **(3)** (d) The department may place intensive sanctions program
3 participants in a treatment program described in sub. (1) (b), but pars. (b) and (c) do
4 not apply to those participants.

5 **SECTION 28.** 302.05 (3) (e) of the statutes is repealed.

6 **SECTION 29.** 302.11 (7) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 302.11 **(7)** (am) The reviewing authority may return a parolee released under
8 sub. (1) or (1g) (b) or s. 304.02 or 304.06 (1) to prison for a period up to the
9 remainder of the sentence for a violation of the conditions of parole. The remainder
10 of the sentence is the entire sentence, less time served in custody prior to parole and
11 less any earned compliance credit under s. 973.156. The revocation order shall
12 provide the parolee with credit in accordance with ss. 304.072 and 973.155.

13 **SECTION 30.** 302.113 (9) (ag) of the statutes is renumbered 302.113 (9) (ag)
14 (intro.) and amended to read:

15 302.113 **(9)** (ag) (intro.) In this subsection “~~reviewing~~”:

16 1. “Reviewing authority” means the division of hearings and appeals in the
17 department of administration, upon proper notice and hearing, or the department
18 of corrections, if the person on extended supervision waives a hearing.

19 **SECTION 31.** 302.113 (9) (am) of the statutes is renumbered 302.113 (9) (am)
20 1. and amended to read:

21 302.113 **(9)** (am) 1. If a person released to extended supervision under this
22 section violates a condition of extended supervision, the reviewing authority may
23 revoke the extended supervision of the person. If the extended supervision of the

1 person is revoked, the reviewing authority shall order the person to be returned to
2 prison for any specified period of time that does not exceed the time remaining on
3 the bifurcated sentence. ~~The time~~

4 (ag) 2. “Time remaining on the bifurcated sentence is” means the total length
5 of the bifurcated sentence, less time served by the person in confinement under the
6 sentence before release to extended supervision under sub. (2), less any earned
7 compliance credit under s. 973.156, and less all time served in confinement for
8 previous revocations of extended supervision under the sentence.

9 (am) 2. The order returning a person to prison under this paragraph shall
10 provide the person whose extended supervision was revoked with credit in
11 accordance with ss. 304.072 and 973.155.

12 **SECTION 32.** 302.113 (9) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 302.113 (9) (b) A person who is returned to prison after revocation of extended
14 supervision shall be incarcerated for the entire period of time specified by the order
15 under par. (am) 1. The period of time specified under par. (am) 1, may be extended
16 in accordance with sub. (3). If a person is returned to prison under par. (am) 1, for
17 a period of time that is less than the time remaining on the bifurcated sentence, the
18 person shall be released to extended supervision after he or she has served the
19 period of time specified by the order under par. (am) 1, and any periods of extension
20 imposed in accordance with sub. (3).

21 **SECTION 33.** 302.113 (9) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 302.113 (9) (c) A person who is subsequently released to extended supervision
23 after service of the period of time specified by the order under par. (am) 1, is subject

1 to all conditions and rules under sub. (7) and, if applicable, sub. (7m) until the
2 expiration of the time remaining ~~extended supervision portion of~~ on the bifurcated
3 sentence. ~~The remaining extended supervision portion of the bifurcated sentence is~~
4 ~~the total length of the bifurcated sentence, less the time served by the person in~~
5 ~~confinement under the bifurcated sentence before release to extended supervision~~
6 ~~under sub. (2) and less all time served in confinement for previous revocations of~~
7 ~~extended supervision under the bifurcated sentence.~~

8 **SECTION 34.** 302.114 (9) (ag) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 302.114 (9) (ag) In this subsection “reviewing authority” has the meaning
10 given in s. 302.113 (9) (ag) 1.

11 **SECTION 35.** 302.27 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 302.27 (1) The department may contract with a local unit of government, as
13 defined in s. 16.957 (1) (k), for temporary housing or detention in county jails,
14 county houses of correction, or tribal jails for persons placed on probation or
15 sentenced to imprisonment in state prisons or to the intensive sanctions program.
16 The rate under any such contract may not exceed ~~\$60~~ \$80 per person per day.
17 Nothing in this subsection limits the authority of the department to place persons
18 in jails under s. 301.048 (3) (a) 1.

19 **SECTION 36.** 304.072 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 304.072 (4) The sentence of a revoked parolee or person on extended
21 supervision resumes running on the day he or she is received at a correctional
22 institution subject to sentence credit for the period of custody in a jail, correctional
23 institution or any other detention facility pending revocation according to the terms
24 of s. 973.155 and subject to earned compliance credit under s. 973.156.

1 **SECTION 37.** 938.357 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 938.357 **(3)** (d) A juvenile who is placed in a Type 1 juvenile correctional
3 facility under par. (b) or (c) is the financial responsibility of the county department
4 of the county where the juvenile was adjudicated delinquent. The county
5 department shall reimburse the department of corrections at the rate specified
6 under s. 301.26 (4) (d) ~~2. or 3., whichever is applicable,~~ for the cost of a juvenile's
7 care while placed in a Type 1 juvenile correctional facility other than the Mendota
8 juvenile treatment center. The county department shall reimburse the department
9 of health services at a rate specified by that department for the cost of a juvenile's
10 care while placed at the Mendota juvenile treatment center and these payments
11 shall be deposited in the appropriation account under s. 20.435 (2) (gk).

12 **SECTION 38.** 973.01 (3g) of the statutes is repealed.

13 **SECTION 39.** 973.01 (8) (ag) of the statutes is repealed.

14 **SECTION 40.** 973.15 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 973.15 **(5)** A convicted offender who is made available to another jurisdiction
16 under ch. 976 or in any other lawful manner shall be credited with service of his or
17 her Wisconsin sentence or commitment under the terms of ~~s.~~ ss. 973.155 and
18 973.156 for the duration of custody in the other jurisdiction.

19 **SECTION 41.** 973.156 of the statutes is created to read:

20 **973.156 Earned compliance credit.** (1) In this section, "qualifying
21 offense" means a crime other than a violation of ch. 940 or s. 948.02, 948.025,
22 948.03, 948.05, 948.051, 948.055, 948.06, 948.07, 948.075, 948.08, 948.085, or
23 948.095.

24 **(2)** Upon the revocation of extended supervision under s. 302.113 (9) or parole

1 under s. 302.11 (7), a person shall be given earned compliance credit toward the
2 service of his or her sentence for a qualifying offense for each day that the person
3 spent on extended supervision or parole without violating a condition or rule of
4 extended supervision or parole prior to the violation that resulted in the revocation.

5 (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to a person who is required to register under
6 s. 301.45.

7 (4) If a person is serving more than one sentence, earned compliance credit
8 under sub. (2) is earned only for the time spent on extended supervision or parole
9 for qualifying offenses.

10 (5) The amount of the earned compliance credit under sub. (2) shall be
11 calculated and applied by the appropriate reviewing authority under s. 302.11 (7)
12 (am) or 302.113 (9) (am) 1.

13 **SECTION 9101. Nonstatutory provisions; Administration.**

14 (1) DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS GREEN BAY CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION
15 CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES. The director of the bureau of merit recruitment and
16 selection in the division of personnel management in the department of
17 administration is authorized to waive competitive hiring procedures required under
18 ch. 230 for an employee in the classified service at the Green Bay Correctional
19 Institution during the period in which the facility is decommissioned so that the
20 employee may be hired into a different position within the department of
21 corrections if the individual is qualified to perform the duties of the position and the
22 position meets either of the following requirements:

23 (a) The position is assigned to a class having the same pay range as the

1 position in which the individual was employed at the Green Bay Correctional
2 Institution.

3 (b) The position is assigned to a class having a lower pay range than the
4 position in which the individual was employed at the Green Bay Correctional
5 Institution.

6 **SECTION 9106. Nonstatutory provisions; Children and Families.**

7 (1) JUVENILE JUSTICE REFORM REVIEW COMMITTEE.

8 (a) There is created in the department of children and families a juvenile
9 justice reform review committee with members appointed by the governor.

10 (b) The juvenile justice reform review committee shall study and, prior to
11 September 15, 2026, provide recommendations to the department of children and
12 families and the department of corrections on how to do all of the following:

13 1. Increase the minimum age of delinquency.

14 2. Eliminate original adult court jurisdiction over juveniles under s. 938.183.

15 3. Modify the waiver procedure for adult court jurisdiction over juveniles and
16 incorporate offenses currently subject to original adult court jurisdiction into the
17 waiver procedure.

18 4. Eliminate the serious juvenile offender program under s. 938.538 and
19 create extended juvenile court jurisdiction with a blended juvenile and adult
20 sentence structure for certain juvenile offenders.

21 5. Prohibit placement of a juvenile in a juvenile detention facility for a status
22 offense and limit sanctions and short-term holds in a juvenile detention facility to
23 cases where there is a public safety risk.

24 6. Sunset long-term post-disposition programs at juvenile detention facilities.

1 7. Create a sentence adjustment procedure for youthful offenders.

2 8. Conform with the U.S. Constitution the statutes that mandate imposing
3 sentences of life imprisonment without parole or extended supervision to minors.

4 (c) In submitting information under s. 16.42 (1) for purposes of the 2027-29
5 biennial budget bill, the department of children and families and the department of
6 corrections shall each include a request to implement the juvenile justice reform
7 review committee's recommendations.

8 (d) The juvenile justice reform review committee terminates on September 15,
9 2026.

10 **SECTION 9108. Nonstatutory provisions; Corrections.**

11 (1) EARNED RELEASE PROGRAM RULES. The department of corrections shall
12 update its administrative rules to implement earned release for completion of a
13 vocational readiness training program under s. 302.05 (3), including specification of
14 the eligibility criteria for persons sentenced before the effective date of this
15 subsection to participate in the program.

16 (2) EARNED COMPLIANCE CREDIT. A person who is serving a sentence for a
17 violation other than a crime specified in ch. 940 or s. 948.02, 948.025, 948.03,
18 948.05, 948.051, 948.055, 948.06, 948.07, 948.075, 948.08, 948.085, or 948.095 and
19 who is in custody upon revocation of extended supervision or parole on the effective
20 date of this subsection may petition the department of corrections to be given credit
21 under s. 973.156. Upon proper verification of the facts alleged in the petition, credit
22 under s. 973.156 shall be applied retroactively to the person. If the department of
23 corrections is unable to determine whether credit under s. 973.156 should be given,

1 or otherwise refuses to award retroactive credit, the person may petition the
2 sentencing court for relief. This subsection applies regardless of the date the person
3 was sentenced. A person who is required to register under s. 301.45 is not eligible to
4 receive credit under this subsection.

5 **SECTION 9137. Nonstatutory provisions; Revenue.**

6 (1) REFUNDS OF CERTAIN TAX PAYMENTS MADE FOR NONTAXABLE TRIBAL LAND.

7 (a) In this subsection:

8 1. "Claimant" means an individual who paid property taxes levied between
9 2015 and 2021 on real property exempt from taxation under the 1854 Treaty of La
10 Pointe and who did not pay such taxes under protest.

11 2. "Department" means the department of revenue.

12 (b) Subject to the limitations under this subsection, a claimant is eligible to
13 receive a payment as determined under par. (d).

14 (c) A claimant may file a claim for a payment under this subsection to
15 compensate the claimant for property taxes levied between 2015 and 2021 on real
16 property exempt from taxation under the 1854 Treaty of La Pointe that the
17 claimant paid. The department shall establish procedures for claimants to file a
18 claim for a payment under this subsection. No claimant may make a claim for a
19 payment under this subsection after May 31, 2026.

20 (d) A claimant who files a claim under par. (c) shall receive a payment equal to
21 the amount of property taxes levied between 2015 and 2021 on real property
22 exempt from taxation under the Treaty of La Pointe paid by the claimant.

23 (e) For each payment under this subsection approved by the department, the
24 department shall certify the allowable amount of the payment to the department of

1 administration for payment to the claimant by check, share draft, or other draft
2 drawn from the appropriation account under s. 20.835 (1) (b). The department of
3 administration shall make all payments due under this subsection no later than
4 June 30, 2026.

5 **SECTION 9308. Initial applicability; Corrections.**

6 (1) CONTRACTS FOR TEMPORARY HOUSING IN COUNTY JAILS. The treatment of s.
7 302.27 (1) first applies to contracts entered into, renewed, or modified on the
8 effective date of this subsection.

9 **SECTION 9408. Effective dates; Corrections.**

10 (1) CONTRACT PAYMENTS FOR PLACEMENT OF JUVENILES. The repeal of s.
11 20.410 (3) (ab) takes effect on July 1, 2029.”.

12 (END)