



State of Wisconsin  
2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Ley, BB0160 - Transfer Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board to  
DNR

**FOR 2015-2017 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

**AN ACT** ...; **relating to:** the budget.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**TOURISM**

Under current law, the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board (LWSRB) administers a program to control land use and development along the riverway. Currently, the LWSRB is attached to the Department of Tourism for administrative purposes. This bill attaches the LWSRB to DNR for administrative purposes.

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

**SECTION 1.** 15.07 (1) (b) 15. of the statutes is amended to read:

15.07 (1) (b) 15. The 3 members of the lower Wisconsin state riverway board appointed under s. ~~15.445 (3)~~ 15.345 (8) (b) 7.

**SECTION 2.** 15.445 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 15.345 (8), and 15.345 (8) (a), as renumbered, is amended to read:

15.345 (8) (a) There is created a lower Wisconsin state riverway board, which is attached to the department of ~~tourism~~ natural resources under s. 15.03.

**SECTION 3.** 30.42 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

30.42 (1) (e) For each county named in s. ~~15.445 (3)~~ 15.345 (8) (b), assign a department employee whose office is in the county to serve as a liaison representative on issues concerning the riverway.

**SECTION 9144. Nonstatutory provisions; Tourism.**

(1) TRANSFER OF LOWER WISCONSIN STATE RIVERWAY BOARD TO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

(a) *Assets and liabilities.* On the effective date of this paragraph, the assets and liabilities of the department of tourism primarily related to the functions of the lower Wisconsin state riverway board, as determined by the secretary of administration, become the assets and liabilities of the department of natural resources.

(b) *Tangible personal property.* On the effective date of this paragraph, all tangible personal property, including records, of the department of tourism that is primarily related to the functions of the lower Wisconsin state riverway board, as determined by the secretary of administration, is transferred to the department of natural resources.

(c) *Contracts.* All contracts entered into by the department of tourism in effect on the effective date of this paragraph that are primarily related to the functions of the lower Wisconsin state riverway board, as determined by the secretary of administration, remain in effect and are transferred to the department of natural resources. The department of natural resources shall carry out any obligations

under such a contract until the contract is modified or rescinded by the department of natural resources to the extent allowed under the contract.

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