



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2009 Assembly Bill 910**

**Assembly Substitute  
Amendment 1, as Amended**

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*Assembly Substitute Amendment 1* does the following:

- Creates a Wisconsin Conservation Corps (WCC) program and a WCC board which is attached to the Department of Administration (DOA). DOA provides staff services to the WCC Board. The WCC board must enter into an agreement with a nonprofit corporation that has demonstrated experience in natural resource conservation and youth training to manage and administer the WCC program.
- Authorizes DOA to transfer any amount of money from a sum certain appropriation in an executive branch agency to the WCC board beginning on the effective date of the substitute amendment and ending on the date the 2011-13 Biennial Budget is published to fund the WCC program. Any proposed transfer must first be reported by DOA to the co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Finance; if the co-chairs do not notify DOA that the committee has scheduled a meeting to review the proposed transfer within 14 working days, DOA may make the transfer. If within 14 working days the co-chairs notify DOA that the committee has scheduled a meeting, DOA may not make the transfer until the committee approves it.
- Specifies that WCC work crew members must be between the ages of 18 and 25. In addition, at least 50% of work crew members on each project must have no postsecondary education and have a family income of no more than 200% of the poverty line on the initial date of employment. Work crew members are not prohibited from taking postsecondary education classes after WCC employment begins.

*Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1* does the following:

- Clarifies that each WCC project must be sited on land that is located in this state and owned by the federal or state government or a local government or land in which one of those entities has an ownership interest.
- Caps the amount of money DOA may transfer from executive branch agencies at \$400,000.
- Clarifies that when DOA reports a proposed transfer to the co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Finance, if any committee member requests a meeting on the proposed transfer within the 14 working days, the committee must call a meeting under s. 13.10, Stats., on the proposed transfer.

**Legislative History**

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Representatives Clark and Mason on April 6, 2010. Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Representatives Clark and Mason on April 14, 2010.

On April 15, 2010, the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; recommended adoption of Assembly Substitute Amendment 1, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 1; and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 1.

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