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# **Delete One-Time Funding (UW System)**

### **CURRENT LAW**

WiSys Technology Foundation, Inc., provides intellectual property management services to the UW comprehensive campuses, the UW Colleges, and UW-Extension. Under the provisions of 2009 Act 265, funding was provided to WiSys to support the Wisconsin small company advancement program. This program provides grants of \$250,000 each to allow small companies in need of research and development services to partner with UW System faculty and academic staff with expertise in a particular field. Before awarding a grant through this program, WiSys must first secure matching funds, which can include in-kind contributions, equal to the amount of the grant from nonstate sources. Funding for this program was provided through a new sum sufficient GPR appropriation capped at \$2,000,000.

Under the provisions of the 2009-11 budget (2009 Act 28), funding was provided under the UW System for tuition increase grants. The tuition increase grant program provides need-based grants to students whose family income is less than \$60,000 and who do not receive a Wisconsin higher education grant. Grant amounts are determined by the Board of Regents and must correspond to increases in resident undergraduate tuition. Individual grants may not exceed the amount of unmet need. In 2010-11, the program is split funded with \$1,900,000 PR transferred from the UW System's auxiliary enterprises appropriation and \$6,400,000 GPR.

### **GOVERNOR**

The Governor's budget recommendation would make no change to current law relating to these programs. In a memorandum to the Committee dated March 31, 2011, the Secretary of Administration identified a number of corrections to SB 27/AB 40 to accomplish the Governor's intent including deleting funding the appropriations consistent with 2009 Acts 28 and 265.

#### **MODIFICATION**

Delete \$1,000,000 GPR annually as a reestimate of payments from a capped sum sufficient

appropriation for the WiSys Technology Foundation grant program. Delete \$1,900,000 PR annually from the PR appropriation for tuition increase grants.

**Explanation:** The budget bill includes \$1,000,000 GPR annually as the estimated payments from a capped sum sufficient appropriation for the WiSys Technology Foundation grant program. Expenditures from this appropriation were capped at \$2,000,000, and DOA indicates that all of the \$2,000,000 allocation will be committed in 2010-11. Therefore, the bill could be modified to delete \$1,000,000 GPR annually to reflect that no further expenditures are anticipated from this appropriation.

The budget bill includes \$1,900,000 PR annually in base level funding for tuition increase grants. Because the program revenue that supported these expenditures in the 2009-11 biennium was one-time, the bill could be modified to delete \$1,900,000 PR annually to reflect that no further expenditures are anticipated from this appropriation.

|       | Change to Bill<br>Funding |
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| GPR   | - \$2,000,000             |
| PR    | <u>- 3,800,000</u>        |
| Total | - \$5,800,000             |

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