

EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION

Program Revenue Transfers to the General Fund

Motion:

Move to require that at the end of each fiscal year of the 2019-21 biennium, any unencumbered balance in the Commission's fees, collective bargaining training, publications, and appeals annual PR appropriation that exceeds 10% of the expenditures from the appropriation in the fiscal year be transferred to the general fund. Estimate transfers from the appropriation to the general fund of \$34,400 annually.

Note:

The affected appropriation is utilized by the Commission to address costs related to the performance of fact-finding, mediation, certification of collective bargaining representation, and arbitration functions, as well as for the costs of operating training programs, conducting appeals, and preparing publications, transcripts, reports, and other copied material. Fees assessed by the WERC to offset the costs of carrying out its responsibilities, as well as training program and publication sale revenues, are deposited to this appropriation. Generally, under current law, any unencumbered balance in the appropriation at the end of the fiscal year remains in the appropriation, is available for future authorized expenditures, and is not transferred to the general fund. However, similar to the motion, 2015 Act 55 and 2017 Act 59 required that any unencumbered balance in the appropriation that exceeded 10% of the expenditures from the appropriation in the fiscal year be transferred to the general fund during the relevant biennium.

[Change to Base: \$68,800 GPR-Earned]

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