

MOE Compliance and Other Considerations

Motion:

1. *Nurse Educators*. Specify that, in addition to fellowships to students who enroll in programs for degrees in doctor of nursing practice or doctor of philosophy in nursing, the nurse educators program would also provide fellowships to students who enroll in programs for degrees in masters of science in nursing.

2. *Delete Vacant Positions*. Restore 2.0 SEG positions previously deleted that had been vacant for longer than 24 months but were filled prior to Committee action. Instead, delete 2.0 PR positions from the Historical Society's appropriation for grants, gifts, and membership sales that have been vacant for longer than 12 months but less than 24 months.

3. *Broadband Grants Bonding Clarification*. Specify that if, for any reason, bond funding provided for a broadband expansion project is not used for that purpose, the state shall retain an ownership interest in the project equal to the amount of the state's grant.

4. *General Fund Balance*. Provide that s. 20.003(4m) of the statutes, which requires that no bill may be passed by the Legislature if estimated general fund expenditures exceed estimated revenues in the second year of the biennium, would not apply to the action of the Legislature in adopting any legislation during the 2021-23 legislative session.

5. *Driving Skills Test Waiver Requirements*. Move to specify that a driving instructor who provided training to an applicant for an operator's license must consent to a waiver of the driving skills test authorized under earlier Committee action.

6. *Community Oriented Policing House Grants*. Modify Motion #98 to specify that an annual appropriation be created in the Department of Justice for community oriented policing house grants.

7. *Internet Crimes Against Children Taskforce Funding*. Modify Motion #98 to provide \$750,000 PR annually for the internet crimes against children taskforce funding, rather than \$375,000 PR annually.

8. *Aids in Lieu of Property Taxes*. Move to amend s. 70.113(1) of the statutes to require the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to pay \$3.50 per acre for aids in lieu of taxes on all lands acquired by the DNR before July 1, 1969, including \$3.20 from GPR and \$0.30 from the forestry account of the conservation fund.

Move to amend s. 70.113(2)(b)10. of the statutes to set the minimum payment for aids in lieu of taxes on lands acquired between July 1, 1969, and December 31, 1991, at \$3.50 per acre.

Move to amend s. 70.114 of the statutes to require DNR to pay no less than \$3.50 per acre for aids in lieu of taxes on lands acquired since January 1, 1992, for each acre or portion of an acre in each taxation district (a town, village, or city). Reestimate aids by \$3,199,600 GPR and \$100 SEG annually.

9. *Deposits into Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund.* Transfer \$60,000,000 annually from the state's general fund in the 2021-23 biennium to the state's unemployment reserve fund for the purposes of making UI benefit payments.

10. *Stewardship Reauthorization.* Modify Motion #102 to increase the annual allotment for Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program local assistance grants by \$1,250,000, from \$8,000,000 to \$9,250,000 during the four-year program reauthorization from 2022-23 through 2025-26. Additionally increase the stewardship program bonding authorization by an additional \$5,000,000, from \$85,000,000 to \$90,000,000.

11. *General School Aid Base Funding Increase.* Provide \$110,000,000 GPR in 2021-22 and \$298,000,000 GPR in 2022-23 in the general school aids appropriation, which is under revenue limits.

12. *Buyback of Current Law General School Aid Payment Delay.* Provide \$75,000,000 GPR in 2021-22 for general school aids and, beginning in the 2021-22 school year, delete the current law provisions under which the state annually pays that amount of aid on a delayed basis on the fourth Monday in July of the following school year. Specify that DPI should treat the general aid appropriation as if there were no buyback so as to distribute the correct amount of funding for 2021-22 through the general aid formula. Under this provision, school districts would receive this \$75 million using the current quarterly payment schedule during the school year rather than in the following July.

13. *Delete Independent Charter School Aid Reduction.* Delete the general school aids reduction associated with the legacy independent charter schools (those authorized by the City of Milwaukee, UW-Milwaukee, and UW-Parkside), beginning in the 2021-22 school year. Reduce GPR lapses by \$82,800,000 in 2021-22 and \$83,900,000 in 2022-23. Under this provision, net general school aids received by school districts would increase correspondingly.

14. *Wisconsin Technical College System.* Provide an increase of \$29,000,000 GPR in 2021-22 and \$43,000,000 GPR in 2022-23 for property tax relief aid for technical colleges (annual base level funding of \$406 million). Specify that the distribution of these amounts would be calculated by multiplying the proportion of base level funding received by each college times the increased amounts in each year. Property tax relief aids are under revenue limits and this additional funding would decrease property taxes.

Note:

[Change to Base: \$750,000 PR, \$561,399,200 GPR, \$166,700,000 GPR-Lapse, \$120,000,000 GPR-Transfer, \$200 SEG, and \$5,000,000 BR. Change to General Fund Balance: -\$848,099,200]