### State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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# ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 7, TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 2, TO ASSEMBLY BILL 50

July 2, 2025 - Offered by Representatives Rivera-Wagner, Anderson, Andraca, Arney, Bare, Billings, Brown, Clancy, Cruz, DeSanto, DeSmidt, Doyle, Emerson, Fitzgerald, Goodwin, Haywood, Hong, Hysell, J. Jacobson, Joers, Johnson, Kirsch, Madison, Mayadev, McCarville, McGuire, Miresse, Moore Omokunde, Neubauer, Palmeri, Phelps, Prado, Roe, Sheehan, Sinicki, Snodgrass, Spaude, Stroud, Stubbs, Subeck, Taylor, Tenorio, Udell and Vining.

At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

**1.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

### "SECTION 9149. Nonstatutory provisions; Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

(1) Main street bounceback grants. Notwithstanding the cap on expenditures specified in s. 20.192 (1) (a), in fiscal year 2025-26, the amount the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may expend from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (a) is increased by \$50,000,000 for the purpose of awarding grants of \$10,000 each to small businesses and nonprofit organizations that open a new location or expand operations in a vacant commercial space. A recipient of a grant under this subsection may use grant moneys for commercial lease and

mortgage payments, business operating expenses, and commercial building repair and tenant improvements.".

**2.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

## "SECTION 9149. Nonstatutory provisions; Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

- (1) FORWARD AGRICULTURE SUPPORT. Notwithstanding the cap on expenditures specified in s. 20.192 (1) (a), in fiscal year 2025-26, the amount the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may expend from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (a) is increased by \$15,000,000 for the purpose of providing state matching funds related to federal funding in conjunction with WiSys's Forward Agriculture program to promote sustainable agriculture.".
  - **3.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

### "SECTION 9149. Nonstatutory provisions; Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

(1) ACCELERATE WISCONSIN. Notwithstanding the cap on expenditures specified in s. 20.192 (1) (a), in fiscal year 2025-26, the amount the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may expend from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (a) is increased by \$10,000,000 for the purpose of supporting a business accelerator program to be administered in cooperation with the University of Wisconsin System and aimed at developing research, including research from the University of Wisconsin System, into new startup businesses. As part of the program, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may award grants

directly to businesses to assist in their growth and development and may award grants to or in support of business incubators.".

**4.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES TRANSPORTATION COUNTY ASSISTANCE. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (cr), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$17,569,600. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (cr), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$19,333,200.
- (2) SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (cq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$1,166,400. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (cq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$1,176,000.
- (3) TRIBAL ELDERLY TRANSPORTATION GRANTS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (ck), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$479,200. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (ck), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$527,100.".
  - **5.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 1.** 25.491 (1) (c) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

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25.491 (1) (c) 3. The percentage change in the estimated amount of revenues received from the taxes imposed under ss. 77.52 and 77.53 for the previous fiscal year from the immediately preceding fiscal year, as specified for that fiscal year as outlined in the summary of estimated general fund taxes under the biennial budget act prepared by the legislative fiscal bureau, multiplied by the amount credited to the account under sub. (8) in the previous fiscal year.

**SECTION 2.** 25.491 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

25.491 (8) There is established in the local government fund a separate account that is designated "municipal services" to make payments as determined under s. 70.119 (7). In fiscal year 2025-26, an amount equal to the total amount of the payments made in the previous fiscal year under s. 70.119 (7) shall be credited to this account. In fiscal year 2026-27, and in each fiscal year thereafter, an amount equal to the amount credited to this account in the previous fiscal year, increased by the percentage change in the amount of revenues received from the taxes imposed under ss. 77.52 and 77.53 for the previous fiscal year from the immediately preceding fiscal year as determined under sub. (1), shall be credited to this account.

#### **SECTION 9201. Fiscal changes; Administration.**

(1) PAYMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of administration under s. 20.835 (5) (r), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$17,000,000 for the purpose for which the appropriation is made. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of administration under s. 20.835 (5) (r), the

dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$18,412,100 for the purpose for which the appropriation is made.

#### SECTION 9401. Effective dates; Administration.

- (1) PAYMENTS FOR MUNICIPAL SERVICES. The treatment of s. 25.491 (1) (c) 3. takes effect on July 1, 2026.".
  - **6.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 3.** 20.835 (1) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

20.835 (1) (a) Property tax freeze incentive payments. A sum sufficient to make the payments under s. 79.06.

**SECTION 4.** 79.015 of the statutes is amended to read:

79.015 Statement of estimated payments. The department of revenue, on or before September 15 of each year, shall provide to each municipality and county a statement of estimated payments to be made in the next calendar year to the municipality or county under ss. 79.035, 79.036, 79.037, 79.038, 79.039, 79.04, and 79.05 and shall provide a statement of estimated payments to be made to the municipality or county under s. 79.06 if the municipality or county is eligible for a payment under s. 79.06 in the next calendar year.

**SECTION 5.** 79.06 of the statutes is created to read:

- **79.06** Property tax freeze incentive payments. (1) In this section, "political subdivision" means a city, village, town, or county.
- (2) (a) A political subdivision is eligible for a payment under sub. (3) if its property tax levy in a year is less than or equal to its property tax levy in the immediately preceding year.
  - (b) For purposes of determining eligibility under par. (a), a political

subdivision's property tax levy excludes all of the following expenditures made by the political subdivision:

- 1. Expenditures related to annexation or service consolidation.
- 2. Unreimbursed emergency expenditures.
- (3) (a) Beginning in 2026, each political subdivision that is eligible under sub.(2) on the basis of its property tax levy imposed in the immediately precedingDecember shall receive a payment calculated as follows:
- 1. Multiply the political subdivision's property tax levy for the year of the payment by 0.03.
- 2. If the political subdivision received a payment under this subsection in the immediately preceding year, multiply the amount of the payment by 1.03.
  - 3. Add the amounts determined under subds. 1. and 2.
- (b) For purposes of calculating the amount of a payment under par. (a), a political subdivision's property tax levy excludes all expenditures excluded under sub. (2) (b).
- (c) The department of revenue shall certify the amount of the payment due each taxing jurisdiction under par. (a) to the department of administration, and the department of administration shall make the payment on or before the first Monday in May.
- (4) The department of revenue may promulgate rules to implement this section.".
  - **7.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 6. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2025-26 2026-27

#### 20.395 Transportation, department of

- (2) LOCAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE
  - (fc) Local roads improvement

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**SECTION 7.** 20.395 (2) (fc) of the statutes is created to read:

20.395 (2) (fc) Local roads improvement program; agricultural roads, general fund. From the general fund, as a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for improvements to local agricultural roads under s. 86.31 (30).

**SECTION 8.** 86.31 (30) (m) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 86.31 (30) (m) 1m. a. and amended to read:

86.31 (30) (m) 1m. a. After June 23, 2026, the The department may not award a grant under this subsection from moneys appropriated in the 2023-25 fiscal biennium after June 23, 2026.

**SECTION 9.** 86.31 (30) (m) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 86.31 (30) (m) 1m. b. and amended to read:

86.31 (30) (m) 1m. b. After June 23, 2028, the The department may not reimburse any costs incurred under this subsection after June 23, 2028, with moneys appropriated in the 2023-25 fiscal biennium.

**SECTION 10.** 86.31 (30) (m) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

86.31 (30) (m) 2m. a. The department may not award a grant under this subsection from moneys appropriated in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium after 3 years after the effective date of this subd. 2m. a. .... [LRB inserts date].

b. The department may not reimburse any costs incurred under this subsection after 5 years after the effective date of this subd. 2m. b. .... [LRB inserts date], with moneys appropriated in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium.

**SECTION 11.** 86.31 (30) (n) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.31 (3o) (n) Except as provided in pars. (k) and (m) 2., this subsection does not apply after June 23, 2028 5 years after the effective date of this paragraph ....
[LRB inserts date].

#### **SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation**

- (1) AGRICULTURAL ROADS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (fu), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$25,000,000.".
  - **8.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9243. Fiscal changes; Tourism.

- (1) ARTS BOARD. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (3) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$2,950,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$2,950,000 for general program operations of the arts board.
- (2) STATE AID FOR THE ARTS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (3) (b), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$34,300 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$79,400 for aids for state arts organizations to match potential annual federal grants from the National Endowment for the Arts.".
  - **9.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

(1) PASSENGER RAIL OPERATIONS ASSISTANCE. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (cr), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$12,443,800. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (cr), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$17,398,800.".

#### **10.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 12. 86.315 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 86.315 (1) (intro.) and amended to read:

86.315 (1) (intro.) From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (fu), the department shall annually, on March 10, pay to counties having county forests established under ch. 28, for the improvement of public roads within the county forests which are open and used for travel and which are not state or county trunk highways or town roads and for which no aids are paid under s. 86.30, the amount of \$351 following amounts per mile of road designated in the comprehensive county forest land use plan as approved by the county board and the department of natural resources:

(1m) If the amount appropriated under s. 20.395 (1) (fu) is insufficient to make the payments required under this subsection sub. (1), the department shall prorate the amount appropriated in the manner it considers desirable.

**SECTION 13.** 86.315 (1) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

86.315 (1) (a) In calendar year 2025, \$351.

**SECTION 14.** 86.315 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

86.315 (1) (b) In calendar year 2026, \$361.

**SECTION 15.** 86.315 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

86.315 (1) (c) In calendar year 2027 and each year thereafter, \$373.".

**11.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9143. Nonstatutory provisions; Tourism.

(1) TOURISM MARKETING. The authorized FTE positions for the department of tourism are increased by 2.0 GPR positions, to be funded from the appropriation under s. 20.380 (1) (b), for marketing activities.

#### SECTION 9243. Fiscal changes; Tourism.

- (1) TOURISM MARKETING. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (1) (b), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$28,600,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$5,193,700 for marketing activities.".
  - **12.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 16. 20.395 (2) (fq) of the statutes is renumbered 20.395 (2) (fd) and amended to read:

20.395 (2) (fd) Local roads improvement discretionary supplement. As a continuing appropriation from the general fund, the amounts in the schedule for the local roads improvement discretionary supplemental grant program under s. 86.31 (3s) and for the grants under 2025 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), section 9144 (1) and (2).

**SECTION 17.** 86.31 (3g) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.31 (3g) County trunk highway improvements — discretionary

GRANTS. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (ft), the department shall allocate \$5,127,000 in fiscal years 2014-15 to 2016-17 and \$5,393,400 in fiscal year 2017-2018 to fund county trunk highway improvements with eligible costs totaling more than \$250,000. In fiscal year 2023-24 the department shall allocate \$5,615,600 to fund county trunk highway improvements with such eligible costs. In fiscal year 2024-25 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall allocate \$5,840,200 to fund county trunk highway improvements with such eligible costs. In fiscal year 2025-26, the department shall allocate \$6,015,400 to fund county trunk highway improvements with such eligible costs. In fiscal year 2026-27 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall allocate \$6,195,900 to fund county trunk highway improvements with such eligible costs. The funding of improvements under this subsection is in addition to the allocation of funds for entitlements under sub. (3).

**SECTION 18.** 86.31 (3m) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.31 (3m) Town Road improvements — discretionary grants. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (ft), the department shall allocate \$5,732,500 in fiscal years 2011-12 to 2016-17 and \$5,923,600 in fiscal year 2017-18 to fund town road improvements with eligible costs totaling \$100,000 or more. In fiscal year 2023-24, the department shall allocate \$6,151,900 to fund town road improvements with such eligible costs. In fiscal year 2024-25 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall allocate \$6,398,000 to fund town road improvements with such eligible costs. In fiscal year 2025-26, the department shall allocate \$6,590,000 to fund town road improvements with such eligible costs. In fiscal year 2026-27 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall allocate \$6,787,600 to fund town

<u>road improvements with such eligible costs.</u> The funding of improvements under this subsection is in addition to the allocation of funds for entitlements under sub. (3).

**SECTION 19.** 86.31 (3r) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.31 (3r) MUNICIPAL STREET IMPROVEMENTS — DISCRETIONARY GRANTS. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (ft), the department shall allocate \$976,500 in fiscal years 2009-10 to 2016-17 and \$3,850,400 in fiscal year 2017-18 to fund municipal street improvement projects having total estimated costs of \$250,000 or more. In fiscal year 2023-24, the department shall allocate \$4,006,600 to fund municipal street improvement projects having such total estimated costs. In fiscal year 2024-25 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall allocate \$4,166,900 to fund municipal street improvement projects having such total estimated costs. In fiscal year 2025-26, the department shall allocate \$4,291,900 to fund municipal street improvement projects having such total estimated costs. In fiscal year 2026-27 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department shall allocate \$4,420,700 to fund municipal street improvement projects having such total estimated costs. The funding of improvements under this subsection is in addition to the allocation of funds for entitlements under sub. (3).

**SECTION 20.** 86.31 (3s) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.31 (3s) (a) Funds provided under s. 20.395 (2) (fq) (fd) shall be distributed under this subsection as discretionary grants to reimburse political subdivisions for improvements. The department shall solicit and provide discretionary grants under this subsection until all funds appropriated under s. 20.395 (2) (fq) (fd) have been expended.

**SECTION 21.** 86.31 (3s) (bm) of the statutes is renumbered 86.31 (3s) (bm) 1. and amended to read:

86.31 (**3s**) (bm) 1. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (fq), <u>2023 stats.</u>, the department shall allocate in 2023-24 amounts for county trunk highway improvements, town road improvements, and municipal street improvements so that the total funding under s. 20.395 (2) (fq), <u>2023 stats.</u>, in 2023-24 is distributed among these groups at the same percentage that each group is allocated from the total funding allocated under par. (b).

**SECTION 22.** 86.31 (3s) (bm) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

86.31 (3s) (bm) 2. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (fd), the department shall allocate in fiscal year 2025-26 amounts for county trunk highway improvements, town road improvements, and municipal street improvements so that the total funding under s. 20.395 (2) (fd) in fiscal year 2025-26 is distributed among these groups at the same percentage that each group is allocated from the total funding allocated under par. (b).

#### SECTION 9144. Nonstatutory provisions; Transportation.

- (1) VILLAGE OF ONTARIO STREET DEVELOPMENT. Notwithstanding limitations on the amount and use of aids provided under s. 86.31 or eligibility requirements for receiving aids under s. 86.31, in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, from the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (fd), the department of transportation shall award a grant to the village of Ontario for residential street development. The grant under this subsection shall be in the amount of \$500,000.
- (2) VILLAGE OF DEFOREST INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT. Notwithstanding limitations on the amount and use of aids provided under s. 86.31 or eligibility

requirements for receiving aids under s. 86.31, in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, from the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (fd), the department of transportation shall award a grant to the village of DeForest for improvements to the I 39/CTH "V" interchange. The grant under this subsection shall be in the amount of \$6,000,000."

**13.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 23.** 20.395 (2) (cq) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.395 (2) (cq) *Harbor assistance, state funds*. As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for harbor assistance under s. 85.095 (2) (a), for administration of the harbor assistance program under s. 85.095 and for grants under 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, section 9150 (4f), 2013 Wisconsin Act 20, section 9145 (4i) and (4u), 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, section 9145 (1c), 2017 Wisconsin Act 59, section 9145 (4d), and 2023 Wisconsin Act 19, section 9144 (2), and 2025 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), section 9144 (1).

**SECTION 24.** 20.866 (2) (uv) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.866 (2) (uv) Transportation, harbor improvements. From the capital improvement fund, a sum sufficient for the department of transportation to provide grants for harbor improvements. The state may contract public debt in an amount not to exceed \$120,000,000 \$197,300,000 for this purpose. The state may contract additional public debt in an amount up to \$32,000,000 for this purpose. The state may contract additional public debt in an amount up to \$15,300,000 for this purpose.

#### SECTION 9144. Nonstatutory provisions; Transportation.

(1) HARBOR ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PRIORITY. Notwithstanding s. 85.095 (2)

and (3), in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, when making grant awards for the harbor assistance program under s. 85.095, the department of transportation shall give priority to municipalities in which a shipbuilder in this state is conducting operations.

#### SECTION 9144. Nonstatutory provisions; Transportation.

- (1) CITY OF SHEBOYGAN MARINA EDUCATIONAL FACILITY. In the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, from the appropriations under ss. 20.395 (2) (cq) and 20.866 (2) (uv), notwithstanding the eligibility criteria under s. 85.095, the department of transportation shall award a grant under s. 85.095 (2) (a) to the city of Sheboygan for the construction of an educational facility at the Harbor Centre Marina. The amount of the grant awarded under this subsection shall be \$3,000,000 or the total cost of the project, whichever is less.".
  - **14.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9225. Fiscal changes; Joint Committee on Finance.

- (1) SUPPLEMENT FOR OPPORTUNITY ATTRACTION AND PROMOTION. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the joint committee on finance under s. 20.865 (4) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$5,000,000 to allow the joint committee on finance, upon request of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, to supplement the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (bd) for opportunity attraction and promotion.".
  - **15.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 25. 20.866 (2) (uup) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

20.866 (2) (uup) 1. From the capital improvement fund, a sum sufficient for

the department of transportation to fund the Marquette interchange reconstruction project under s. 84.014, as provided under s. 84.555, the reconstruction of the I 94 north-south corridor and the zoo interchange, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), the reconstruction of the I 94 east-west corridor, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), southeast Wisconsin freeway megaprojects under s. 84.0145, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), and high-cost state highway bridge projects under s. 84.017, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m). The state may contract public debt in an amount not to exceed \$704,750,000 for these purposes. In addition, the state may contract public debt in an amount not to exceed \$107,000,000 for the reconstruction of the Zoo interchange and I 94 north-south corridor, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), as southeast Wisconsin freeway megaprojects under s. 84.0145, in an amount not to exceed \$216,800,000 for high-cost state highway bridge projects under s. 84.017, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), in an amount not to exceed \$300,000,000 for southeast Wisconsin freeway megaprojects under s. 84.0145, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), in an amount not to exceed \$95,000,000 for the reconstruction of the Zoo interchange, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), as a southeast Wisconsin freeway megaproject under s. 84.0145, and in an amount up to \$40,000,000 \$225,171,300 for the reconstruction of the I 94 east-west corridor, as provided under s. 84.555 (1m), as a southeast Wisconsin freeway megaproject under s. 84.0145.".

**16.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 26.** 20.866 (2) (uuv) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.866 (2) (uuv) *Transportation; design-build projects*. From the capital improvement fund, a sum sufficient for the department of transportation to fund design-build projects under s. 84.062 that are state highway rehabilitation projects,

major highway projects, or southeast Wisconsin freeway megaprojects. The state may contract public debt in an amount up to \$20,000,000 \$112,500,000 for this purpose.".

**17.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 27.** 343.50 (1) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

343.50 (1) (c) 1. The department may issue a receipt to any applicant for an identification card, and shall issue a receipt to an applicant requesting an identification card under sub. (5) (a) 3., which receipt shall constitute a temporary identification card while the application is being processed and shall be valid for a period not to exceed 60 180 days. If the application for an identification card is processed under the exception specified in s. 343.165 (7) or (8), the receipt shall include the marking specified in sub. (3) (b)."

**18.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 28. 70.995 (14) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.995 (14) (b) If the department of revenue does not receive the fee imposed on a municipality imposes a fee under par. (a) by March 31 of each year on a municipality, the department shall reduce the a distribution made to the municipality under s. 79.02 (1) in the following year by the amount of the fee. Any amount that is not able to be deducted from a distribution under s. 79.02 (1) shall be directly imposed upon the municipality.".

**19.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 9210. Fiscal changes; District Attorneys.

(1) TURNOVER REDUCTION. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the

appropriation to the district attorneys under s. 20.475 (1) (d), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$1,468,700 to restore the turnover reduction applied in standard budget adjustments. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the district attorneys under s. 20.475 (1) (d), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$1,468,700 to restore the turnover reduction applied in standard budget adjustments.".

**20.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9210. Fiscal changes; District Attorneys.

- (1) COUNTY-FUNDED POSITION SUPPORT. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the district attorneys under s. 20.475 (1) (i), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$212,800 to fund the county-funded PR positions authorized where salary and fringe benefit costs are in excess of the county funding provided. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the district attorneys under s. 20.475 (1) (i), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$\$143,400 to fund the county-funded PR positions authorized where salary and fringe benefit costs are in excess of the county funding provided."
  - **21.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 29.** 20.566 (1) (gi) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.566 (1) (gi) (title) Administration of municipality taxes of 1st class cities.

**SECTION 30.** 20.566 (1) (gj) of the statutes is created to read:

20.566 (1) (gj) Administration of municipality taxes; generally. From the moneys transferred from the appropriation account under s. 20.835 (4) (gj), the

amounts in the schedule for administering the municipality taxes imposed under s. 77.702. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (a), at the end of the fiscal year the unencumbered balance of this appropriation account lapses to the general fund.

**SECTION 31.** 20.835 (4) (gi) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.835 (4) (gi) (title) Municipality taxes of 1st class cities.

**SECTION 32.** 20.835 (4) (gj) of the statutes is created to read:

20.835 (4) (gj) *Municipality taxes; generally*. All moneys received from the taxes imposed under s. 77.702 for distribution to the municipalities that enact an ordinance imposing taxes under that section and for interest payments on refunds under s. 77.76 (3t), except that 0.75 percent of those tax revenues collected under that section shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.566 (1) (gj).

**SECTION 33.** 77.70 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.70 (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), any county may impose county sales and use taxes under this subchapter by the adoption of an ordinance, stating its purpose and referring to this subchapter. The rate of the tax imposed under this subsection is 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, or 0.5 percent of the sales price or purchase price. Except as provided in s. 66.0621 (3m), the county sales and use taxes imposed under this subsection may be imposed only for the purpose of directly reducing the property tax levy and only in their entirety as provided in this subchapter. That ordinance shall be effective on January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1. A certified copy of that ordinance shall be delivered to the secretary of revenue at least 120 days prior to its effective date. The repeal of any such ordinance shall be delivered to the secretary of revenue at least 120 days before the effective date of the repeal. Except

as provided under s. 77.60 (9), the department of revenue may not issue any assessment or act on any claim for a refund or any claim for an adjustment under s. 77.585 after the end of the calendar year that is 4 years after the year in which the county has enacted a repeal ordinance under this subsection.

**SECTION 34.** 77.70 (3) of the statutes is created to read:

77.70 (3) In addition to the taxes imposed under sub. (1), a county other than Milwaukee County may, by ordinance, impose a sales and use tax under this subchapter at the rate of 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, or 0.5 percent of the sales price or purchase price. A sales and use tax enacted under this subsection may not take effect unless approved by a majority vote of all qualified electors in the county voting on the issue at a referendum. The revenue from the taxes imposed under this subsection may be used for any purpose designated by the county board or specified in the ordinance or in the referendum approving the ordinance. The taxes imposed under this subsection may be imposed only in their entirety as provided in this subchapter. If approved at a referendum, the ordinance shall be effective on January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1. A certified copy of that ordinance shall be delivered to the secretary of revenue at least 120 days prior to its effective date. The repeal of any such ordinance shall be effective on December 31. A certified copy of a repeal ordinance shall be delivered to the secretary of revenue at least 120 days before the effective date of the repeal. Except as provided under s. 77.60 (9), the department of revenue may not issue any assessment nor act on any claim for a refund or any claim for an adjustment under s. 77.585 after the end of the calendar

year that is 4 years after the year in which the county has enacted a repeal ordinance under this subsection.

**SECTION 35.** 77.701 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.701 (title) Adoption by municipal ordinance: 1st class cities.

**SECTION 36.** 77.702 of the statutes is created to read:

77.702 Adoption by municipal ordinance; generally. A municipality other than the city of Milwaukee with a population exceeding 30,000, as determined by the 2020 federal decennial census or under s. 16.96 for 2020, may, by ordinance, impose a sales and use tax under this subchapter at the rate of 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, or 0.5 percent of the sales price or purchase price. A sales and use tax enacted under this subsection may not take effect unless approved by a majority vote of all qualified electors in the municipality voting on the issue at a referendum. The revenue from the taxes imposed under this subsection may be used for any purpose designated by the governing body of the municipality or specified in the ordinance or in the referendum approving the ordinance. The taxes imposed under this subsection may be imposed only in their entirety as provided in this subchapter. If approved at a referendum, the ordinance shall be effective on January 1, April 1, July 1, or October 1. A certified copy of that ordinance shall be delivered to the secretary of revenue at least 120 days prior to its effective date. The repeal of any such ordinance shall be effective on December 31. A certified copy of a repeal ordinance shall be delivered to the secretary of revenue at least 120 days before the effective date of the repeal. Except as provided under s. 77.60 (9), the department of revenue may not issue any assessment nor act on any claim for a refund or any

claim for an adjustment under s. 77.585 after the end of the calendar year that is 4 years after the year in which the municipality has enacted a repeal ordinance under this subsection.

**SECTION 37.** 77.71 (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

**77.71 Imposition of county, municipality, and special district sales and use taxes.** (intro.) Whenever a sales and use tax ordinance is adopted under s. 77.70 or, 77.701, or 77.702, or a special district resolution is adopted under s. 77.706, the following taxes are imposed:

**SECTION 38.** 77.71 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.71 (1) For the privilege of selling, licensing, leasing, or renting tangible personal property and the items, property, and goods specified under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), and (d), and for the privilege of selling, licensing, performing, or furnishing services a sales tax is imposed upon retailers at the rates under s. 77.70 in the case of a county tax, at the rate under s. 77.701 or 77.702 in the case of a municipality tax, or at the rate under s. 77.706 in the case of a special district tax of the sales price from the sale, license, lease, or rental of tangible personal property and the items, property, and goods specified under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), and (d), except property taxed under sub. (4), sold, licensed, leased, or rented at retail in the county, municipality, or special district, or from selling, licensing, performing, or furnishing services described under s. 77.52 (2) in the county, municipality, or special district.

**SECTION 39.** 77.71 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.71 (2) An excise tax is imposed at the rates under s. 77.70 in the case of a

county tax, at the rate under s. 77.701 or 77.702 in the case of a municipality tax, or at the rate under s. 77.706 in the case of a special district tax of the purchase price upon every person storing, using, or otherwise consuming in the county, municipality, or special district tangible personal property, or items, property, or goods specified under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d), or services if the tangible personal property, item, property, good, or service is subject to the state use tax under s. 77.53, except that a receipt indicating that the tax under sub. (1), (3), (4), or (5) has been paid relieves the buyer of liability for the tax under this subsection and except that if the buyer has paid a similar local tax in another state on a purchase of the same tangible personal property, item, property, good, or service that tax shall be credited against the tax under this subsection and except that are used for a purpose in addition to retention, demonstration, or display while held for sale in the regular course of business by a dealer the tax under this subsection is imposed not on the purchase price but on the amount under s. 77.53 (1m).

**SECTION 40.** 77.71 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.71 (3) An excise tax is imposed upon a contractor engaged in construction activities within the county or special district at the rates under s. 77.70 in the case of a county tax, at the rate under s. 77.701 or 77.702 in the case of a municipality tax, or at the rate under s. 77.706 in the case of a special district tax of the purchase price of tangible personal property or items, property, or goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), or (d) that are used in constructing, altering, repairing, or improving real property and that became a component part of real property in that county,

municipality, or special district, except that if the contractor has paid the sales tax of a county, municipality, or special district in this state on that tangible personal property, item, property, or good, or has paid a similar local sales tax in another state on a purchase of the same tangible personal property, item, property, or good, that tax shall be credited against the tax under this subsection.

**SECTION 41.** 77.71 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.71 (4) An excise tax is imposed at the rates under s. 77.70 in the case of a county tax, at the rate under s. 77.701 or 77.702 in the case of a municipality tax, or at the rate under s. 77.706 in the case of a special district tax of the purchase price upon every person storing, using, or otherwise consuming a motor vehicle, boat, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), or aircraft if that property must be registered or titled with this state and if that property is to be customarily kept in a county that has in effect an ordinance under s. 77.70, in a municipality that has in effect an ordinance under s. 77.702, or in a special district that has in effect a resolution under s. 77.706, except that if the buyer has paid a similar local sales tax in another state on a purchase of the same property, that tax shall be credited against the tax under this subsection. The lease or rental of a motor vehicle, boat, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), or aircraft is not taxed under this subsection if the lease or rental does not require recurring periodic payments.

**SECTION 42.** 77.71 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.71 (5) An excise tax is imposed on the purchase price for the lease or rental of a motor vehicle, boat, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), or aircraft

at the rates under s. 77.70 in the case of a county tax, at the rate under s. 77.701 or 77.702 in the case of a municipality tax, or at the rate under s. 77.706 in the case of a special district tax upon every person storing, using, or otherwise consuming in the county, municipality, or special district the motor vehicle, boat, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), or aircraft if that property must be registered or titled with this state and if the lease or rental does not require recurring periodic payments, except that a receipt indicating that the tax under sub. (1) had been paid relieves the purchaser of liability for the tax under this subsection and except that if the purchaser has paid a similar local tax in another state on the same lease or rental of such motor vehicle, boat, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), or aircraft, that tax shall be credited against the tax under this subsection.

**SECTION 43.** 77.76 (3t) of the statutes is created to read:

77.76 (3t) From the appropriation under s. 20.835 (4) (gj), the department shall distribute 99.25 percent of the municipality taxes reported for each enacting municipality, minus the municipality portion of the retailers' discounts, to the municipality and shall indicate the taxes reported by each taxpayer, no later than 75 days following the last day of the calendar quarter in which such amounts were reported. In this subsection, the "municipality portion of the retailers' discount" is the amount determined by multiplying the total retailers' discount by a fraction the numerator of which is the gross municipality sales and use taxes payable and the denominator of which is the sum of the gross state and municipality sales and use taxes payable. The municipality taxes distributed shall be increased or decreased to reflect subsequent refunds, audit adjustments, and all other adjustments of the

municipality taxes previously distributed. Interest paid on refunds of municipality sales and use taxes shall be paid from the appropriation under s. 20.835 (4) (gj) at the rate paid by this state under s. 77.60 (1) (a). Any municipality receiving a report under this subsection is subject to the duties of confidentiality to which the department of revenue is subject under s. 77.61 (5) and (6).

**SECTION 44.** 77.76 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

77.76 (4m) There shall be retained by the state 0.75 percent of the taxes collected for taxes imposed by municipalities under s. 77.702 to cover the costs incurred by the state in administering, enforcing, and collecting the tax. All interest and penalties collected shall be deposited and retained by this state in the general fund."

**22.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 45.** 978.03 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

978.03 (1m) The district attorney of any prosecutorial unit having a population of 200,000 or more but less than 750,000 may appoint -3- 4 deputy district attorneys and such assistant district attorneys as may be requested by the department of administration and authorized in accordance with s. 16.505. The district attorney shall rank the deputy district attorneys for purposes of carrying out duties under this section. The deputies, according to rank, may perform any duty of the district attorney, under the district attorney's direction. In the absence or disability of the district attorney, the deputies, according to rank, may perform any act required by law to be performed by the district attorney. Any such deputy

must have practiced law in this state for at least 2 years prior to appointment under this section.".

**23.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 46.** 753.06 (8) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

753.06 (8) (a) Brown County. The circuit has 8 branches. <u>Commencing</u>
August 1, 2026, the circuit has 10 branches.

**SECTION 47.** 753.06 (8) (a) of the statutes, as affected by 2025 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), is amended to read:

753.06 (8) (a) Brown County. The circuit has -8 branches. Commencing August 1, 2026, the circuit has 10 branches.

**SECTION 48.** 753.0605 of the statutes is repealed.

#### SECTION 9107. Nonstatutory provisions; Circuit Courts.

- (1) CIRCUIT COURT BRANCHES; BRANCH 9. The initial election for circuit judge for branch 9 of the circuit court for Brown County shall be at the spring election of 2026 for a term commencing August 1, 2026, and ending July 31, 2032.
- (2) CIRCUIT COURT BRANCHES; BRANCH 10. The initial election for circuit judge for branch 10 of the circuit court for Brown County shall be at the spring election of 2026 for a term commencing August 1, 2026, and ending July 31, 2032.
- (3) Position authorizations; circuit court judges. The authorized FTE positions for the circuit courts are increased by 2.0 GPR circuit judge positions on August 1, 2026, to be funded from the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (a), to provide one circuit judge in each of the circuit court branches created by this act in Brown County.
  - (4) Position authorizations; court reporters. The authorized FTE

positions for the circuit courts are increased by 2.0 GPR court reporter positions on August 1, 2026, to be funded from the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (a), to provide one court reporter in each of the circuit court branches created by this act in Brown County.

#### SECTION 9207. Fiscal changes; Circuit Courts.

(1) CIRCUIT COURT COSTS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the director of state courts under s. 20.625 (1) (cg), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$219,400 for additional support to counties to maintain current per-branch funding levels.

#### SECTION 9407. Effective dates; Circuit Courts.

- (1) CIRCUIT COURT BRANCHES. The treatment of s. 753.06 (8) (a) (by SECTION 47) takes effect on August 1, 2026.".
  - **24.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 49.** 16.075 of the statutes is created to read:

- 16.075 Grants to tribes for alternatives to prosecution and incarceration programs. (1) In this section, "tribe" has the meaning given in s. 165.91 (1).
- (2) From the appropriation under s. 20.505 (1) (cb), the department shall make grants to tribes for alternatives to prosecution and incarceration programs that meet the criteria specified in s. 165.95 (3).
  - (5) Grants made under sub. (2) shall be provided on a calendar year basis.
- (6) The department of justice shall assist the department with its duties under this section.

**SECTION 50.** 20.455 (2) (eg) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 51.** 20.455 (2) (em) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 52.** 20.455 (2) (jd) of the statutes is renumbered 20.625 (1) (jd) and amended to read:

20.625 (1) (jd) Alternatives to prosecution and incarceration grant program. The amounts in the schedule to provide grants under s. 165.95 (2) payments to counties that are not a recipient of a grant under the for the county to establish and operate alternatives to prosecution and incarceration grant program on September 23, 2017 that comply with the criteria specified in s. 165.95 (3). All moneys transferred under 2017 Wisconsin Act 59, section 9228 (15t), and 2023 Wisconsin Act 19, section 9227 (1), shall be credited to this appropriation account.

**SECTION 53.** 20.455 (2) (kn) of the statutes is renumbered 20.625 (1) (kn) and amended to read:

20.625 (1) (kn) Alternatives to prosecution and incarceration for persons who use alcohol or other drugs; justice information fee. The amounts in the schedule for administering and making grants payments to counties and tribes under that comply with the criteria specified in s. 165.95 (2) (3). All moneys transferred from the appropriation account under s. 20.505 (1) (id) 5. shall be credited to this appropriation account. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (a), the unencumbered balance on June 30 of each year shall be transferred to the appropriation account under s. 20.505 (1) (id).

**SECTION 54.** 20.455 (2) (kv) of the statutes is renumbered 20.625 (1) (kv) and amended to read:

20.625 (1) (kv) Grants for substance abuse treatment programs Programs for criminal offenders. All moneys received under s. 961.41 (5) (c) 2. or 973.043 for the

purpose of making grants payments to counties and tribes under that comply with the criteria specified in s. 165.95 (2) (3).

**SECTION 55.** 20.505 (1) (cb) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (cb) Grants to tribes for alternatives to prosecution and incarceration programs. The amounts in the schedule for grants to federally recognized American Indian tribes or bands in this state under s. 16.075 (2).

**SECTION 56.** 20.505 (1) (id) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

20.505 (1) (id) 5. The amount transferred to s.  $\frac{20.455}{(2)}$   $\frac{20.625}{(1)}$  (kn) shall be the amount in the schedule under s.  $\frac{20.455}{(2)}$   $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$   $\frac{($ 

**SECTION 57.** 20.625 (1) (cg) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.625 (1) (cg) *Circuit court costs*. Biennially, the amounts in the schedule to make payments to counties for circuit court costs under s. 758.19 (5) (b).

**SECTION 58.** 20.625 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

20.625 (1) (d) *Circuit court costs supplement*. Biennially, the amounts in the schedule to make payments to counties for circuit court costs under s. 758.19 (5) (bf), (bm), and (bn).

**SECTION 59.** 46.47 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

46.47 (1) (b) The county or tribe has an established drug court, as defined alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program, as described in s. 165.955 (1) 165.95 (3).

**SECTION 60.** 165.25 (10m) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.25 (10m) REPORT ON GRANTS. (intro.) Beginning on January 15, 2015, and annually thereafter, the department of justice shall submit a report to the legislature under s. 13.172 (2), regarding its administration of grant programs

under ss. s. 165.95, 2023 stats., s. 165.955, 2023 stats., and ss. 165.96, 165.986, and 165.987. The report shall include, for each grant program, all of the following information:

**SECTION 61.** 165.95 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (title) Alternatives to prosecution and incarceration; grant program programs.

**SECTION 62.** 165.95 (1) (ac) of the statutes is created to read:

165.95 (1) (ac) "Evidence-based practice" means a practice that has been developed using research to determine its efficacy for achieving positive measurable outcomes, including reducing recidivism and increasing public safety.

**SECTION 63.** 165.95 (2) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 64.** 165.95 (2m) of the statutes is created to read:

165.95 (2m) No later than January 1, 2027, each county shall operate an alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program described under sub. (3). No later than December 31, 2026, and by each December 31 thereafter, each county shall certify to the director of state courts that is has, or will have, a qualifying alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program by January 1 of the next calendar year. The director of state courts may consult with the department of justice to confirm whether the county operates a qualifying alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program.

**SECTION 65.** 165.95 (2r) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 66.** 165.95 (3) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (intro.) A county or tribe shall be eligible for a grant under sub. (2) program under this section, including a suspended and deferred prosecution

program and a program based on principles of restorative justice, shall be considered an alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program if all of the following apply:

**SECTION 67.** 165.95 (3) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 68.** 165.95 (3) (ag) of the statutes is created to read:

165.95 (3) (ag) The program operates within the continuum from arrest to discharge from supervision and provides an alternative to prosecution, revocation, or incarceration through the use of pre-charge and post-charge diversion programs or treatment courts and community-based corrections.

**SECTION 69.** 165.95 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (b) The program employs evidence-based practices and is designed to promote and facilitate the implementation of effective criminal justice policies and practices that maximize justice and public and victim safety, reduce prison and jail populations, reduce prosecution and incarceration costs, and reduce recidivism, and improve the welfare of participants' families by meeting the comprehensive needs of participants.

**SECTION 70.** 165.95 (3) (bd) of the statutes is created to read:

165.95 (3) (bd) The program identifies each target population served by the program and identifies the evidence-based practices the program employs for each target population it serves.

**SECTION 71.** 165.95 (3) (cm) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

165.95 (3) (cm) 2. If the program is administered by a tribe, the criminal justice oversight committee shall consist of a representative of the judiciary, a

representative of criminal prosecution and criminal defense, a social services provider, a behavioral health treatment provider, a law enforcement officer, a representative of corrections, and other members that the oversight committee determines are appropriate to the program.

**SECTION 72.** 165.95 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (d) Services provided under the program are consistent with evidence-based practices in substance abuse and mental health treatment, as determined by the department of health services, and the program provides intensive case management.

**SECTION 73.** 165.95 (3) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (e) The program uses graduated sanctions and incentives to promote successful substance abuse treatment success.

**SECTION 74.** 165.95 (3) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (g) The program is designed to integrate all mental health services provided to program participants by state and local government agencies, tribes, and other organizations. The program shall require regular communication and coordination among a participant's substance abuse treatment providers, other service providers, the case manager, and any person designated under the program to monitor the person's compliance with his or her obligations under the program, and any probation, extended supervision, and parole agent assigned to the participant.

**SECTION 75.** 165.95 (3) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (h) The program provides substance abuse and mental health

treatment services through providers that who use evidence-based practices in the delivery of services and, where applicable, who are certified by the department of health services or licensed to provide the services approved under the program.

**SECTION 76.** 165.95 (3) (i) of the statutes is renumbered 165.95 (3d) and amended to read:

165.95 (**3d**) The An alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program requires under this section may require participants to pay a reasonable amount for their treatment, based on their income and available assets, and pursues to pursue and uses use all possible resources available through insurance and federal, state, and local aid programs, including cash, vouchers, and direct services.

**SECTION 77.** 165.95 (3) (j) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (3) (j) The program is developed with input from, and implemented in collaboration with, one or more circuit court judges, the district attorney, the state public defender, local and, if applicable, tribal law enforcement officials, county agencies and, if applicable, tribal agencies responsible for providing social services, including services relating to alcohol and other drug addiction substance use disorder, child welfare, mental health, and the Wisconsin Works program, the departments of corrections, children and families, and health services, private social services agencies, and substance abuse use disorder treatment providers.

**SECTION 78.** 165.95 (3) (k) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 79.** 165.95 (5) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 165.95 (3) (cm) (intro.) and amended to read:

165.95 (3) (cm) (intro.) A county or tribe that receives a grant under this

section shall create an The program identifies a criminal justice oversight committee to develop and implement the program design and advise the county or tribe in administering and evaluating its program. Each The membership of each criminal justice oversight committee shall be as follows:

1. If the program is administered by a county, the criminal justice oversight committee shall consist of a circuit court judge, the district attorney or his or her designee, the state public defender or his or her designee, a local law enforcement official, a representative of the county, a representative of the tribe, if applicable, a representative of each other county agency and, if applicable, tribal agency responsible for providing social services, including services relating to child welfare, mental health, and the Wisconsin Works program, representatives of the department of corrections and department of health services, a representative from private social services agencies, a representative of substance abuse behavioral health treatment providers, and other members to be determined by the county or tribe the oversight committee determines are appropriate for the program.

**SECTION 80.** 165.95 (5) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 165.95 (5) (ag) and amended to read:

165.95 (5) (ag) A county, or <u>a</u> tribe that receives a grant under this section <u>s</u>.

16.075, shall comply with state audits and shall submit an annual report to the department of justice and to the <u>criminal justice</u> oversight committee <del>created under par. (a)</del> identified in sub. (3) (cm) regarding the impact of the program on jail and prison populations and its progress in attaining the goals specified in sub. (3) (b) and (f).

**SECTION 81.** 165.95 (5) (bg) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (5) (bg) A county, or <u>a</u> tribe that receives a grant under this section <u>s</u>.

16.075, shall submit data requested by the department of justice to the department of justice each month. The department of justice may request any data regarding the <u>project funded by the grant that is necessary to evaluate the project alternatives</u> to <u>prosecution and incarceration program</u> and prepare the reports under sub. (5p).

**SECTION 82.** 165.95 (5m) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 83.** 165.95 (5p) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (**5p**) (a) The department of justice shall, annually, analyze the data submitted under sub. (5) (bg) and prepare a progress report that evaluates the effectiveness of the grant program alternatives to prosecution and incarceration programs in this state. The department of justice shall make the report available to the public.

**SECTION 84.** 165.95 (5p) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (**5p**) (b) The department of justice shall, every 5 years, prepare a comprehensive report that analyzes the data it receives under sub. (5) (bg) and the annual reports it produces under par. (a). The department of justice shall include in this comprehensive report a cost benefit analysis of the grant program alternatives to prosecution and incarceration programs and shall submit the report to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution to the legislature under s. 13.172 (2).

**SECTION 85.** 165.95 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 16.075 (7) and amended to read:

16.075 (7) A county or tribe may, with one or more other counties or tribes,

jointly apply for and receive a grant under this section sub. (2). Upon submitting a joint application, each county or tribe shall include with the application a written agreement specifying each tribe's and each county department's role in developing, administering, and evaluating the program. The oversight committee established under sub. (5) (a) identified in s. 165.95 (3) (cm) shall consist of representatives from each county or tribe.

**SECTION 86.** 165.95 (7) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 87.** 165.95 (7m) of the statutes is renumbered 16.075 (3) and amended to read:

16.075 (3) Beginning in fiscal year 2012-13, the The department of justice shall, every 5 years, make grants under this section sub. (2) available to any county or tribe on a competitive basis. A county or tribe may apply for a grant under this subsection sub. (2) regardless of whether the county or tribe has received a grant previously under this section sub. (2).

**SECTION 88.** 165.95 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

165.95 (8) The department of justice shall assist a county or tribe receiving a grant under this section that operates an alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program in obtaining funding from other sources for its program.

**SECTION 89.** 165.95 (9) of the statutes is renumbered 16.075 (4) and amended to read:

16.075 (4) The department of justice shall inform any county or tribe that is applying for a grant under this section sub. (2) whether the county or tribe meets the requirements established under sub. s. 165.95 (3), regardless of whether the county or tribe receives a grant.

**SECTION 90.** 165.95 (10) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 91.** 165.955 of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 92.** 302.43 of the statutes is amended to read:

302.43 Good time. Every inmate of a county jail is eligible to earn good time in the amount of one-fourth of his or her term for good behavior if sentenced to at least 4 days, but fractions of a day shall be ignored. An inmate shall be given credit for time served prior to sentencing under s. 973.155, including good time under s. 973.155 (4). An inmate who violates any law or any regulation of the jail, or neglects or refuses to perform any duty lawfully required of him or her, may be deprived by the sheriff of good time under this section, except that the sheriff shall not deprive the inmate of more than 2 days good time for any one offense without the approval of the court. An inmate who files an action or special proceeding, including a petition for a common law writ of certiorari, to which s. 807.15 applies shall be deprived of the number of days of good time specified in the court order prepared under s. 807.15 (3). This section does not apply to a person who is confined in the county jail in connection with his or her participation in a substance abuse treatment program that meets the requirements of s. 165.95 (3), as determined by the department of justice under s. 165.95 (9) and (10).

**SECTION 93.** 758.19 (5) (bf) of the statutes is created to read:

758.19 **(5)** (bf) No later than January 1, 2026, from the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (d), the director of state courts shall make payments to counties totaling \$24,596,100, which the director of state courts shall distribute as follows:

1. For each circuit court branch in the county, \$52,300.

- 2. In addition to the payment under subd. 1., for each county with one or fewer circuit court branches, \$12,400.
- 3. In addition to the payment under subd. 1., for each county with more than one circuit court branch, a payment equal to the county's proportion of the state population multiplied by the amount remaining in the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (d) after the payments are made under subds. 1. and 2.

**SECTION 94.** 758.19 (5) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

758.19 (5) (bm) No later than July 1, 2026, from the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (d), the director of state courts shall make payments to counties totaling \$35,000,000, which the director of state courts shall distribute as follows:

- 1. For each circuit court branch in the county, \$74,500.
- 2. In addition to the payment under subd. 1., for each county with one or fewer circuit court branches, \$17,600.
- 3. In addition to the payment under subd. 1., for each county with more than one circuit court branch, a payment equal to the county's proportion of the state population multiplied by the amount remaining in the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (d) after the payments are made under subds. 1. and 2.

**SECTION 95.** 758.19 (5) (bn) of the statutes is created to read:

758.19 (5) (bn) No later than January 1, 2027, and by every January 1 and July 1 thereafter, from the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (d), the director of state courts shall make payments to counties totaling \$35,000,000, which the director of state courts shall distribute as follows:

1. For each circuit court branch in the county, \$74,500.

- 2. In addition to the payment under subd. 1., for each county with one or fewer circuit court branches, \$17,600.
- 3. If, after the payments are made under subds. 1. and 2., the total of a county's payments equals less than 50 percent of the sum the county received as grants in calendar year 2026 under s. 165.95, 2023 stats., and s. 165.955, 2023 stats., an additional payment for such a difference.
- 4. In addition to the payments under subds. 1. and 3., for each county with more than one circuit court branch, a payment equal to the county's proportion of the state population multiplied by the amount remaining in the appropriation under s. 20.625 (1) (d) after the payments are made under subds. 1., 2., and 3.

**SECTION 96.** 758.19 (5) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

758.19 (5) (d) For payments under pars. (b), (bf), (bm), and (bn), for counties that share the services of one or more circuit court branches, the director of state courts shall annually determine the proportional share of that circuit court branch for each county on the basis of the circuit court branch caseload in each county.

**SECTION 97.** 758.19 (5) (g) of the statutes is created to read:

758.19 (5) (g) A county that fails to meet the requirements under s. 165.95 (2m) is not eligible for a payment under par. (bn) until the county establishes an alternatives to prosecution and incarceration program described under s. 165.95 (3).

**SECTION 98.** 961.385 (2) (cm) 3. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

961.385 (2) (cm) 3. b. The state board or agency, agency of another state, law enforcement agency, or prosecutorial unit makes a written request for the record

and is monitoring the patient as part of a drug court, as defined in s. 165.955 (1), 2023 stats.

**SECTION 99.** 961.41 (5) (c) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

961.41 (5) (c) 2. All moneys in excess of \$850,000 and up to \$1,275,000 plus one-third of moneys in excess of \$1,275,000 collected in each fiscal year from drug surcharges under this subsection shall be credited to the appropriation account under s.  $\frac{20.455}{20.625}$  (2) (kv) 20.625 (1) (kv).

**SECTION 100.** 961.472 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

961.472 (5) (b) The person is participating in a substance abuse treatment program that meets the requirements of s. 165.95 (3), as determined by the department of justice under s. 165.95 (9) and (10).

**SECTION 101.** 967.11 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

967.11 (1) In this section, "approved substance abuse treatment program" means a substance abuse treatment program that meets the requirements of s. 165.95 (3), as determined by the department of justice under s. 165.95 (9) and (10).

**SECTION 102.** 973.043 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

973.043 (3) All moneys collected from drug offender diversion surcharges shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.455 (2) (kv) 20.625 (1) (kv) and used for the purpose of making grants payments to counties under that comply with the criteria specified in s. 165.95 (3).

**SECTION 103.** 973.155 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

973.155 (1m) A convicted offender shall be given credit toward the service of his or her sentence for all days spent in custody as part of a substance abuse treatment program that meets the requirements of s. 165.95 (3), as determined by

the department of justice under s. 165.95 (9) and (10), for any offense arising out of the course of conduct that led to the person's placement in that program.

## **SECTION 9101. Nonstatutory provisions; Administration.**

(1) ALTERNATIVES TO PROSECUTION AND INCARCERATION GRANT PROGRAM. Notwithstanding s. 16.42 (1) (e), in submitting information under s. 16.42 for purposes of the 2027 biennial budget act, the department of administration shall submit information concerning the appropriation under s. 20.505 (1) (cb) as though the total amount appropriated under s. 20.505 (1) (cb) for the 2026-27 fiscal year was \$142,500 more than the total amount that was actually appropriated under s. 20.505 (1) (cb) for the 2026-27 fiscal year.

### **SECTION 9127. Nonstatutory provisions; Justice.**

(1) ALTERNATIVES TO PROSECUTION AND INCARCERATION GRANT PROGRAM. Notwithstanding s. 165.95 (7) and (7m), the department of justice may not make any grants for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2027.

## SECTION 9401. Effective dates; Administration.

(1) ALTERNATIVES TO PROSECUTION AND INCARCERATION GRANT PROGRAM.

The treatment of ss. 16.075 and 20.505 (1) (cb) takes effect on January 1, 2027.

#### SECTION 9407. Effective dates; Circuit Courts.

(1) ALTERNATIVES TO PROSECUTION AND INCARCERATION GRANT PROGRAM. The treatment of ss. 758.19 (5) (g) and 961.385 (2) (cm) 3. b. takes effect on January 1, 2027.

## SECTION 9427. Effective dates; Justice.

(1) ALTERNATIVES TO PROSECUTION AND INCARCERATION AND DRUG COURT GRANT PROGRAMS. The treatment of ss. 20.455 (2) (eg), (em), (jd), (kn), and (kv),

20.505 (1) (id) 5., 46.47 (1) (b), 165.25 (10m) (intro.), 165.95 (title), (1) (ac), (2), (2m), (2r), (3) (intro.), (a), (ag), (b), (bd), (cm) 2., (d), (e), (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k), (5) (a), (b), and (bg), (5m), (5p) (a) and (b), (6), (7), (7m), (8), (9), and (10), 165.955, 961.41 (5) (c) 2., and 973.043 (3) take effect on January 1, 2027.".

**25.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 104.** 20.192 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.192 (1) (a) *Operations and programs*. A sum sufficient in each fiscal year equal to the amount obtained by subtracting from \$41,550,700 \$46,000,000 an amount equal to the sum of the amounts expended in that fiscal year from the appropriations under pars. (r) and (s), for the operations of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and for funding economic development programs developed and implemented under s. 238.03. No more than \$16,512,500 may be expended from this appropriation in any fiscal year, and moneys may be expended from this appropriation only if there are no unencumbered moneys available in the appropriation account under par. (r)."

**26.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 105. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2025-26 2026-27

20.566 Revenue, department of

# (1) COLLECTION OF TAXES

(gc) Administration of transit

authority taxes PR A -0- -0-

(gh) Administration of regional

transit authority fees PR A -0- -0-

**SECTION 106.** 20.566 (1) (gc) of the statutes is created to read:

20.566 (1) (gc) Administration of transit authority taxes. From the moneys received from the appropriation account under s. 20.835 (4) (gc), the amounts in the schedule for the purpose of administering the transit authority taxes imposed under s. 77.708. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (a), at the end of the fiscal year the unencumbered balance in this appropriation account shall be transferred to the appropriation account under s. 20.835 (4) (gc).

**SECTION 107.** 20.566 (1) (gh) of the statutes is created to read:

20.566 (1) (gh) Administration of regional transit authority fees. The amounts in the schedule for administering the fees imposed under subch. XIV of ch. 77. An amount equal to 2.55 percent of all moneys received from the fees imposed under subch. XIV of ch. 77 shall be credited to this appropriation. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (a), at the end of each fiscal year the unencumbered balance in this appropriation account that exceeds 10 percent of the expenditures from this appropriation during the fiscal year shall be transferred to the appropriation account under s. 20.835 (4) (gh).

**SECTION 108.** 20.835 (4) (gc) of the statutes is created to read:

20.835 (4) (gc) Transit authority taxes. All moneys received from the taxes

imposed under s. 77.708, and from the appropriation account under s. 20.566 (1) (gc), for the purpose of distribution to the transit authorities that adopt a resolution imposing taxes under subch. V of ch. 77, except that 1.5 percent of those tax revenues collected under subch. V of ch. 77 shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.566 (1) (gc).

**SECTION 109.** 20.835 (4) (gh) of the statutes is created to read:

20.835 (4) (gh) Regional transit authority fees. All moneys received from the fees imposed under subch. XIV of ch. 77, and from the appropriation account under s. 20.566 (1) (gh), for distribution to regional transit authorities created under s. 66.1039 (2), except that 2.55 percent of the moneys received from the fees imposed under subch. XIV of ch. 77 shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.566 (1) (gh).

**SECTION 110.** 32.02 (11) of the statutes is amended to read:

32.02 (11) Any housing authority created under ss. 66.1201 to 66.1211; redevelopment authority created under s. 66.1333; community development authority created under s. 66.1335; local cultural arts district created under subch. V of ch. 229, subject to s. 229.844 (4) (c); or local exposition district created under subch. II of ch. 229; or transit authority created under s. 66.1039.

**SECTION 111.** 32.05 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

32.05 (1) (a) Except as provided under par. (b), a county board of supervisors or a county highway committee when so authorized by the county board of supervisors, a city council, a village board, a town board, a sewerage commission governing a metropolitan sewerage district created by ss. 200.05 or 200.21 to

200.65, the secretary of transportation, a commission created by contract under s. 66.0301, a joint local water authority created by contract under s. 66.0823, a transit authority created under s. 66.1039, a housing authority under ss. 66.1201 to 66.1211, a local exposition district created under subch. II of ch. 229, a local cultural arts district created under subch. V of ch. 229, a redevelopment authority under s. 66.1333 or a community development authority under s. 66.1335 shall make an order providing for the laying out, relocation and improvement of the public highway, street, alley, storm and sanitary sewers, watercourses, water transmission and distribution facilities, mass transit facilities, airport, or other transportation facilities, gas or leachate extraction systems to remedy environmental pollution from a solid waste disposal facility, housing project, redevelopment project, cultural arts facilities, exposition center or exposition center facilities which shall be known as the relocation order. This order shall include a map or plat showing the old and new locations and the lands and interests required. A copy of the order shall, within 20 days after its issue, be filed with the county clerk of the county wherein the lands are located or, in lieu of filing a copy of the order, a plat may be filed or recorded in accordance with s. 84.095.

**SECTION 112.** 32.07 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

32.07 (2) The petitioner shall determine necessity if application is by the state or any commission, department, board or other branch of state government or by a city, village, town, county, school district, board, commission, public officer, commission created by contract under s. 66.0301, joint local water authority under s. 66.0823, <u>transit authority created under s. 66.1039</u>, redevelopment authority

created under s. 66.1333, local exposition district created under subch. II of ch. 229, local cultural arts district created under subch. V of ch. 229, housing authority created under ss. 66.1201 to 66.1211 or for the right-of-way of a railroad up to 100 feet in width, for a telegraph, telephone or other electric line, for the right-of-way for a gas pipeline, main or service or for easements for the construction of any elevated structure or subway for railroad purposes.

**SECTION 113.** 40.02 (28) of the statutes is amended to read:

40.02 (28) "Employer" means the state, including each state agency, any county, city, village, town, school district, other governmental unit or instrumentality of 2 or more units of government now existing or hereafter created within the state, any federated public library system established under s. 43.19 whose territory lies within a single county with a population of 750,000 or more, a local exposition district created under subch. II of ch. 229, a transit authority created under s. 66.1039, and a long-term care district created under s. 46.2895, except as provided under ss. 40.51 (7) and 40.61 (3). "Employer" does not include a local cultural arts district created under subch. V of ch. 229. Each employer shall be a separate legal jurisdiction for OASDHI purposes.

**SECTION 114.** 66.0301 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.0301 (1) (a) Except as provided in pars. (b) and (c), in this section "municipality" means the state or any department or agency thereof, or any city, village, town, county, or school district, the opportunity schools and partnership programs under subch. IX of ch. 115 and subch. II of ch. 119, the superintendent of schools opportunity schools and partnership program under s. 119.33, or any public

library system, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, sanitary district, farm drainage district, metropolitan sewerage district, sewer utility district, solid waste management system created under s. 59.70 (2), local exposition district created under subch. II of ch. 229, local professional baseball park district created under subch. III of ch. 229, local professional football stadium district created under subch. IV of ch. 229, local cultural arts district created under subch. V of ch. 229, transit authority created under s. 66.1039, long-term care district under s. 46.2895, water utility district, mosquito control district, municipal electric company, county or city transit commission, commission created by contract under this section, taxation district, regional planning commission, housing authority created under s. 66.1201, redevelopment authority created under s. 66.1335, or city-county health department.

**SECTION 115.** 66.1039 of the statutes is created to read:

### **66.1039 Transit authorities.** (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

- (a) "Authority" means a transit authority created under this section.
- (b) "Bonds" means any bonds, interim certificates, notes, debentures, or other obligations of an authority issued under this section.
  - (c) "Common carrier" means any of the following:
  - 1. A common motor carrier, as defined in s. 194.01 (1).
  - 2. A contract motor carrier, as defined in s. 194.01 (2).
  - 3. A railroad subject to ch. 195, as described in s. 195.02 (1) and (3).
  - 4. A water carrier, as defined in s. 195.02 (5).

- (d) "Comprehensive unified local transportation system" means a transportation system that is comprised of motor bus lines and any other local public transportation facilities, the major portion of which is located within, or the major portion of the service of which is supplied to the inhabitants of, the jurisdictional area of the authority.
- (em) "Metropolitan area" means a metropolitan statistical area as designated by the U.S. office of management and budget.
  - (f) "Municipality" means any city, village, or town.
- (g) "Participating political subdivision" means a political subdivision that is a member of an authority, either from the time of creation of the authority or by later joining the authority.
  - (h) "Political subdivision" means a municipality or county.
- (i) "Transportation system" means all land, shops, structures, equipment, property, franchises, and rights of whatever nature required for transportation of passengers within the jurisdictional area of the authority and, only to the extent specifically authorized under this section, outside the jurisdictional area of the authority. "Transportation system" includes elevated railroads, subways, underground railroads, motor vehicles, motor buses, and any combination thereof, and any other form of mass transportation, but does not include transportation excluded from the definition of "common motor carrier" under s. 194.01 (1) or charter or contract operations to, from, or between points that are outside the jurisdictional area of the authority.
  - (2) Creation of transit authorities. (f) Statewide regional transit

- authorities. 1. Any 2 or more political subdivisions located within the same metropolitan area may jointly create a transit authority that is a public body corporate and politic and a separate governmental entity and that is known by a name that includes the words "regional transit authority," if the governing body of each political subdivision adopts a resolution authorizing the political subdivision to become a member of the authority and all the resolutions are identical to each other. Except as provided in subd. 2. and sub. (13), once created, the members of the authority shall consist of all political subdivisions that adopt resolutions, as provided in this subdivision. Once created, the authority may transact business and exercise any powers granted to it under this section.
- 2. After an authority is created under subd. 1., any political subdivision located in whole or in part within a metropolitan area located in whole or in part within an authority's jurisdiction may join the authority if the governing body of the political subdivision adopts a resolution identical to the existing resolutions of the authority's participating political subdivisions and the authority's board of directors approves the political subdivision's joinder.
- 3. The jurisdictional area of an authority created under this paragraph is the geographic area formed by the combined territorial boundaries of all participating political subdivisions of the authority.
- (3) TRANSIT AUTHORITY GOVERNANCE. (a) The powers of an authority shall be vested in its board of directors. Directors shall be appointed for 4-year terms. A majority of the board of directors' full authorized membership constitutes a quorum for the purpose of conducting the authority's business and exercising its powers.

Action may be taken by the board of directors upon a vote of a majority of the directors present and voting, unless the bylaws of the authority require a larger number.

(fm) The board of directors of an authority created under sub. (2) (f) consists of the following members:

- 1. One member from each participating political subdivision that is a county, appointed by the county executive of each county and approved by the county board except that, if the county does not have an elected county executive, the member shall be appointed by the county board chairperson and approved by the county board.
- 2. One member from each of the two participating political subdivisions that are municipalities, if any, having the highest population, appointed by the mayor and approved by the common council or appointed by the village president and approved by the village board or appointed by the town board chairperson and approved by the town board, as applicable.
  - 3. One member appointed by the governor.
- 4. Not more than 2 members from participating political subdivisions that are municipalities other than those identified under subd. 2., appointed by the mayor and approved by the common council or appointed by the village president and approved by the village board or appointed by the town board chairperson and approved by the town board, as applicable. If the authority opts to include members under this subdivision on the board of directors, the bylaws of the authority shall include a provision specifying a method by which the members appointed under

this subdivision shall rotate among the participating political subdivisions not entitled to make an appointment under subd. 2.

- (g) The bylaws of an authority shall govern its management, operations, and administration, consistent with the provisions of this section, and shall include provisions specifying all of the following:
  - 1. The functions or services to be provided by the authority.
  - 2. The powers, duties, and limitations of the authority.
- 3. The maximum rate of the taxes that may be imposed by the authority under sub. (4) (s), not to exceed the maximum rate specified in s. 77.708 (1).
- (4) POWERS. Notwithstanding s. 59.84 (2) and any other provision of this chapter or ch. 59 or 85, an authority may do all of the following, to the extent authorized in the authority's bylaws:
- (a) Establish, maintain, and operate a comprehensive unified local transportation system primarily for the transportation of persons.
- (b) Acquire a comprehensive unified local transportation system and provide funds for the operation and maintenance of the system. Upon the acquisition of a comprehensive unified local transportation system, the authority may:
- 1. Operate and maintain it or lease it to an operator or contract for its use by an operator.
- 2. Contract for superintendence of the system with an organization that has personnel with the requisite experience and skill.
  - 3. Delegate responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the system to

an appropriate administrative officer, board, or commission of a participating political subdivision.

- 4. Maintain and improve railroad rights-of-way and improvements on these rights-of-way for future use.
- (c) Contract with a public or private organization to provide transportation services in lieu of directly providing these services.
- (d) Purchase and lease transportation facilities to public or private transit companies that operate within and outside the jurisdictional area.
- (e) Apply for federal aids to purchase transportation facilities considered essential for the authority's operation.
- (f) Coordinate specialized transportation services, as defined in s. 85.21 (2) (g), for residents who reside within the jurisdictional area and who are disabled or aged 60 or older, including services funded under 42 USC 3001 to 30570, 42 USC 5001, and 42 USC 5011 (b), under ss. 49.43 to 49.499 and 85.21, and under other public funds administered by the county. An authority may contract with a county that is a participating political subdivision for the authority to provide specialized transportation services, but an authority is not an eligible applicant under s. 85.21 (2) (e) and may not receive payments directly from the department of transportation under s. 85.21.
- (g) Acquire, own, hold, use, lease as lessor or lessee, sell or otherwise dispose of, mortgage, pledge, or grant a security interest in any real or personal property or service.

(h) Acquire property by condemnation using the procedure under s. 32.05 for the purposes set forth in this section.

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- (i) Enter upon any state, county, or municipal street, road, or alley, or any public highway for the purpose of installing, maintaining, and operating the authority's facilities. Whenever the work is to be done in a state, county, or municipal highway, street, road, or alley, the public authority having control thereof shall be duly notified, and the highway, street, road, or alley shall be restored to as good a condition as existed before the commencement of the work with all costs incident to the work to be borne by the authority.
- (j) Fix, maintain, and revise fees, rates, rents, and charges for functions, facilities, and services provided by the authority.
- (k) Make, and from time to time amend and repeal, bylaws, rules, and regulations to carry into effect the powers and purposes of the authority.
  - (L) Sue and be sued in its own name.
  - (m) Have and use a corporate seal.
- (n) Employ agents, consultants, and employees, engage professional services, and purchase such furniture, stationery, and other supplies and materials as are reasonably necessary to perform its duties and exercise its powers.
- (o) Incur debts, liabilities, or obligations including the borrowing of money and the issuance of bonds under subs. (7) and (10).
- (p) Invest any funds held in reserve or sinking funds, or any funds not required for immediate disbursement, including the proceeds from the sale of any

bonds, in such obligations, securities, and other investments as the authority deems proper in accordance with s. 66.0603 (1m).

- (q) Do and perform any acts and things authorized by this section under, through, or by means of an agent or by contracts with any person.
- (r) Exercise any other powers that the board of directors considers necessary and convenient to effectuate the purposes of the authority, including providing for passenger safety.
- (s) Impose, by the adoption of a resolution by the board of directors, the taxes under subch. V of ch. 77 in the authority's jurisdictional area. If an authority adopts a resolution to impose the taxes, it shall deliver a certified copy of the resolution to the department of revenue at least 120 days before its effective date. The authority may, by adoption of a resolution by the board of directors, repeal the imposition of taxes under subch. V of ch. 77 and shall deliver a certified copy of the repeal resolution to the department of revenue at least 120 days before its effective date.
- (5) LIMITATIONS ON AUTHORITY POWERS. (a) Notwithstanding sub. (4) (a), (b), (c), (d), (q), and (r), no authority, and no public or private organization with which an authority has contracted for service, may provide service outside the jurisdictional area of the authority unless the authority receives financial support for the service under a contract with a public or other private organization for the service or unless it is necessary in order to provide service to connect residents within the authority's jurisdictional area to transit systems in adjacent counties.
  - (b) Whenever the proposed operations of an authority would be competitive

with the operations of a common carrier in existence prior to the time the authority commences operations, the authority shall coordinate proposed operations with the common carrier to eliminate adverse financial impact for the carrier. This coordination may include route overlapping, transfers, transfer points, schedule coordination, joint use of facilities, lease of route service, and acquisition of route and corollary equipment. If this coordination does not result in mutual agreement, the proposals of the authority and the common carrier shall be submitted to the department of transportation for arbitration.

- (c) In exercising its powers under sub. (4), an authority shall consider any plan of a metropolitan planning organization under 23 USC 134 that covers any portion of the authority's jurisdictional area.
- (6) AUTHORITY OBLIGATIONS TO EMPLOYEES OF MASS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS. (a) An authority acquiring a comprehensive unified local transportation system for the purpose of the authority's operation of the system shall assume all of the employer's obligations under any contract between the employees and management of the system to the extent allowed by law.
- (b) An authority acquiring, constructing, controlling, or operating a comprehensive unified local transportation system shall negotiate an agreement with the representative of the labor organization that covers the employees affected by the acquisition, construction, control, or operation to protect the interests of employees affected. This agreement shall include all of the provisions identified in s. 59.58 (4) (b) 1. to 8. and may include provisions identified in s. 59.58 (4) (c). An affected employee has all the rights and the same status under subch. IV of ch. 111

that he or she enjoyed immediately before the acquisition, construction, control, or operation and may not be required to serve a probationary period if he or she attained permanent status before the acquisition, construction, control, or operation.

- (c) In all negotiations under this subsection, a senior executive officer of the authority shall be a member of the authority's negotiating body.
- (7) BONDS; GENERALLY. (a) An authority may issue bonds, the principal and interest on which are payable exclusively from all or a portion of any revenues received by the authority. The authority may secure its bonds by a pledge of any income or revenues from any operations, rent, aids, grants, subsidies, contributions, or other source of moneys whatsoever.
- (b) An authority may issue bonds in such principal amounts as the authority deems necessary.
- (c) 1. Neither the members of the board of directors of an authority nor any person executing the bonds is personally liable on the bonds by reason of the issuance of the bonds.
- 2. The bonds of an authority are not a debt of the participating political subdivisions. Neither the participating political subdivisions nor the state are liable for the payment of the bonds. The bonds of any authority shall be payable only out of funds or properties of the authority. The bonds of the authority shall state the restrictions contained in this paragraph on the face of the bonds.
- (8) ISSUANCE OF BONDS. (a) Bonds of an authority shall be authorized by resolution of the board of directors. The bonds may be issued under such a

resolution or under a trust indenture or other security instrument. The bonds may be issued in one or more series and may be in the form of coupon bonds or registered bonds under s. 67.09. The bonds shall bear the dates, mature at the times, bear interest at the rates, be in the denominations, have the rank or priority, be executed in the manner, be payable in the medium of payment and at the places, and be subject to the terms of redemption, with or without premium, as the resolution, trust indenture, or other security instrument provides. Bonds of an authority are issued for an essential public and governmental purpose and are public instrumentalities and, together with interest and income, are exempt from taxes.

- (b) The authority may sell the bonds at public or private sales at the price or prices determined by the authority.
- (c) If an officer whose signatures appear on any bonds or coupons ceases to be an officer of the authority before the delivery of the bonds or coupons, the officer's signature shall, nevertheless, be valid for all purposes as if the officer had remained in office until delivery of the bonds or coupons.
- **(9)** COVENANTS. An authority may do all of the following in connection with the issuance of bonds:
  - (a) Covenant as to the use of any or all of its property, real or personal.
- (b) Redeem the bonds, or covenant for the redemption of the bonds, and provide the terms and conditions of the redemption.
- (c) Covenant as to charge fees, rates, rents, and charges sufficient to meet operating and maintenance expenses, renewals, and replacements of any transportation system, principal and debt service on bonds creation and

maintenance of any reserves required by a bond resolution, trust indenture, or other security instrument and to provide for any margins or coverages over and above debt service on the bonds that the board of directors considers desirable for the marketability of the bonds.

- (d) Covenant as to the events of default on the bonds and the terms and conditions upon which the bonds shall become or may be declared due before maturity, as to the terms and conditions upon which this declaration and its consequences may be waived, and as to the consequences of default and the remedies of bondholders.
- (e) Covenant as to the mortgage or pledge of, or the grant of a security interest in, any real or personal property and all or any part of the revenues of the authority to secure the payment of bonds, subject to any agreements with the bondholders.
- (f) Covenant as to the custody, collection, securing, investment, and payment of any revenues, assets, moneys, funds, or property with respect to which the authority may have any rights or interest.
- (g) Covenant as to the purposes to which the proceeds from the sale of any bonds may be applied, and as to the pledge of such proceeds to secure the payment of the bonds.
- (h) Covenant as to limitations on the issuance of any additional bonds, the terms upon which additional bonds may be issued and secured, and the refunding of outstanding bonds.
- (i) Covenant as to the rank or priority of any bonds with respect to any lien or security.

- (j) Covenant as to the procedure by which the terms of any contract with or for the benefit of the holders of bonds may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds, the holders of which must consent thereto, and the manner in which such consent may be given.
- (k) Covenant as to the custody and safekeeping of any of its properties or investments, the insurance to be carried on the property or investments, and the use and disposition of insurance proceeds.
- (L) Covenant as to the vesting in one or more trustees, within or outside the state, of those properties, rights, powers, and duties in trust as the authority determines.
- (m) Covenant as to the appointing of, and providing for the duties and obligations of, one or more paying agent or other fiduciaries within or outside the state.
- (n) Make all other covenants and do any act that may be necessary or convenient or desirable in order to secure its bonds or, in the absolute discretion of the authority, tend to make the bonds more marketable.
- (o) Execute all instruments necessary or convenient in the exercise of the powers granted under this section or in the performance of covenants or duties, which may contain such covenants and provisions as a purchaser of the bonds of the authority may reasonably require.
- (10) REFUNDING BONDS. An authority may issue refunding bonds for the purpose of paying any of its bonds at or prior to maturity or upon acceleration or redemption. An authority may issue refunding bonds at such time prior to the

maturity or redemption of the refunded bonds as the authority deems to be in the public interest. The refunding bonds may be issued in sufficient amounts to pay or provide the principal of the bonds being refunded, together with any redemption premium on the bonds, any interest accrued or to accrue to the date of payment of the bonds, the expenses of issue of the refunding bonds, the expenses of redeeming the bonds being refunded, and such reserves for debt service or other capital or current expenses from the proceeds of such refunding bonds as may be required by the resolution, trust indenture, or other security instruments. To the extent applicable, refunding bonds are subject to subs. (8) and (9).

- (11) BONDS ELIGIBLE FOR INVESTMENT. (a) Any of the following may invest funds, including capital in their control or belonging to them, in bonds of the authority:
  - 1. Public officers and agencies of the state.
  - 2. Local governmental units, as defined in s. 19.42 (7u).
  - 3. Insurance companies.
  - 4. Trust companies.
  - 5. Banks.
  - 6. Savings banks.
  - 7. Savings and loan associations.
  - 8. Investment companies.
  - 9. Personal representatives.
  - 10. Trustees.
  - 11. Other fiduciaries not listed in this paragraph.

- (b) The authority's bonds are securities that may be deposited with and received by any officer or agency of the state or any local governmental unit, as defined in s. 19.42 (7u), for any purpose for which the deposit of bonds or obligations of the state or any local governmental unit is authorized by law.
- (12) BUDGETS; RATES AND CHARGES; AUDIT. The board of directors of an authority shall annually prepare a budget for the authority. Rates and other charges received by the authority shall be used only for the general expenses and capital expenditures of the authority, to pay interest, amortization, and retirement charges on bonds, and for specific purposes of the authority and may not be transferred to any political subdivision. The authority shall maintain an accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and shall have its financial statements and debt covenants audited annually by an independent certified public accountant.
- (13) WITHDRAWAL FROM AUTHORITY. A participating political subdivision that joined an authority under sub. (2) (f) 2. may withdraw from an authority if all of the following conditions are met:
- (a) The governing body of the political subdivision adopts a resolution requesting withdrawal of the political subdivision from the authority.
- (b) The political subdivision has paid, or made provision for the payment of, all obligations of the political subdivision to the authority.
- (14) DUTY TO PROVIDE TRANSIT SERVICE. An authority shall provide, or contract for the provision of, transit service within the authority's jurisdictional area.

(17) OTHER STATUTES. This section does not limit the powers of political subdivisions to enter into intergovernmental cooperation or contracts or to establish separate legal entities under s. 66.0301 or 66.1021 or any other applicable law, or otherwise to carry out their powers under applicable statutory provisions. Section 66.0803 (2) does not apply to an authority.

**SECTION 116.** 67.01 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

67.01 (5) "Municipality" means any of the following which is authorized to levy a tax: a county, city, village, town, school district, board of park commissioners, technical college district, metropolitan sewerage district created under ss. 200.01 to 200.15 or 200.21 to 200.65, town sanitary district under subch. IX of ch. 60, <u>transit authority created under s. 66.1039</u>, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district established under s. 33.23, 33.235, or 33.24, and any other public body empowered to borrow money and issue obligations to repay the money out of public funds or revenues. "Municipality" does not include the state.

**SECTION 117.** 70.11 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

70.11 (2) MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND PROPERTY OF CERTAIN DISTRICTS, EXCEPTION. Property owned by any county, city, village, town, school district, technical college district, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, metropolitan sewerage district, municipal water district created under s. 198.22, joint local water authority created under s. 66.0823, transit authority created under s. 66.1039, regional planning commission created under s. 66.0309, long-term care district under s. 46.2895, or town sanitary district; lands belonging to cities of any other state used for public parks; land tax-deeded to any county or city before

January 2; but any residence located upon property owned by the county for park purposes that is rented out by the county for a nonpark purpose shall not be exempt from taxation. Except as to land acquired under s. 59.84 (2) (d), this exemption shall not apply to land conveyed after August 17, 1961, to any such governmental unit or for its benefit while the grantor or others for his or her benefit are permitted to occupy the land or part thereof in consideration for the conveyance. exemption under this subsection applies to the property of a regional planning commission that the commission owned prior to October 1, 2021. If a regional planning commission subsequently sells property exempt from taxation under this subsection, the exemption applies to property purchased and owned by the commission if the total size of all property owned by the commission is substantially similar in size to the total property owned by the commission prior to October 1, 2021. Any property of the regional planning commission in excess of that size restriction is subject to taxation under this chapter. Leasing the property exempt under this subsection, regardless of the lessee and the use of the leasehold income, does not render that property taxable.

**SECTION 118.** 71.26 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.26 (1) (b) *Political units*. Income received by the United States, the state and all counties, cities, villages, towns, school districts, technical college districts, joint local water authorities created under s. 66.0823, <u>transit authorities created under s. 66.1039</u>, long-term care districts under s. 46.2895 or other political units of this state.

**SECTION 119.** Chapter 77 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

## **CHAPTER 77**

TAXATION OF FOREST CROPLANDS;

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER FEES;

SALES AND USE TAXES; COUNTY,

MUNICIPALITY, TRANSIT AUTHORITY,

AND SPECIAL DISTRICT SALES AND

USE TAXES; MANAGED FOREST LAND;

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SURCHARGE;

LOCAL FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX;

LOCAL RENTAL CAR TAX; PREMIER

RESORT AREA TAXES; STATE RENTAL

VEHICLE FEE; DRY CLEANING FEES;

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING TAX;

REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY FEES

**SECTION 120.** 77.54 (9a) (er) of the statutes is created to read:

77.54 (9a) (er) Any transit authority created under s. 66.1039.

**SECTION 121.** Subchapter V (title) of chapter 77 [precedes 77.70] of the statutes is amended to read:

#### **CHAPTER 77**

SUBCHAPTER V

COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, <u>TRANSIT</u>

AUTHORITY, AND SPECIAL DISTRICT

SALES AND USE TAXES

**SECTION 122.** 77.708 of the statutes is created to read:

- 77.708 Adoption by resolution; transit authority. (1) A transit authority created under s. 66.1039, by resolution under s. 66.1039 (4) (s), may impose a sales tax and a use tax under this subchapter at a rate not to exceed 0.5 percent of the gross receipts or sales price. Those taxes may be imposed only in their entirety. The resolution shall be effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter that begins at least 120 days after a certified copy of the resolution is delivered to the department of revenue.
- (2) Retailers and the department of revenue may not collect a tax under sub.

  (1) for any transit authority created under s. 66.1039 beginning on the first day of the calendar quarter that is at least 120 days after a certified copy of the repeal resolution under s. 66.1039 (4) (s) is delivered to the department of revenue, except that the department of revenue may collect from retailers taxes that accrued before such calendar quarter and fees, interest, and penalties that relate to those taxes.

**SECTION 123.** 77.73 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.73 **(2)** Counties, municipalities, and special districts, and transit authorities do not have jurisdiction to impose the tax under s. 77.71 (2) in regard to items, property, and goods under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), and (d), and tangible personal property, except snowmobiles, trailers, semitrailers, limited use off-highway motorcycles, as defined in s. 23.335 (1) (o), all-terrain vehicles, and utility terrain vehicles, purchased in a sale that is consummated in another county, municipality, or special district in this state, or in another transit authority's jurisdictional area, that does not have in effect an ordinance or resolution imposing the taxes under this subchapter and later brought by the buyer into the county, municipality, or special

district, or jurisdictional area of the transit authority that has imposed a tax under s. 77.71 (2).

**SECTION 124.** 77.73 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.73 (2m) Counties, municipalities, and special districts, and transit authorities do not have jurisdiction to impose the tax under s. 77.71 (5) with regard to the lease or rental of a motor vehicle, boat, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), or aircraft if the lease or rental does not require recurring periodic payments and if the purchaser received the property in another county, municipality, or special district in this state or in another transit authority's jurisdictional area, and then brings the property into a county, municipality, or special district, or transit authority that imposes the tax under s. 77.71 (5).

**SECTION 125.** 77.73 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.73 (3) Counties, municipalities, and special districts, and transit authorities have jurisdiction to impose the taxes under this subchapter on retailers who file, or who are required to file, an application under s. 77.52 (7) or who register, or who are required to register, under s. 77.53 (9) or (9m), regardless of whether such retailers are engaged in business in the county, municipality, or special district, or transit authority's jurisdictional area, as provided in s. 77.51 (13g). A retailer who files, or is required to file, an application under s. 77.52 (7) or who registers, or is required to register, under s. 77.53 (9) or (9m) shall collect, report, and remit to the department the taxes imposed under this subchapter for all counties, municipalities, or special districts, or transit authorities that have an ordinance or resolution imposing the taxes under this subchapter.

**SECTION 126.** 77.75 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.75 Reports. Every person subject to county, municipality, transit authority, or special district sales and use taxes shall, for each reporting period, record that person's sales made in the county, municipality, or special district, or jurisdictional area of a transit authority that has imposed those taxes separately from sales made elsewhere in this state and file a report as prescribed by the department of revenue.

**SECTION 127.** 77.76 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.76 (1) The department of revenue shall have full power to levy, enforce, and collect county, municipality, <u>transit authority</u>, and special district sales and use taxes and may take any action, conduct any proceeding, impose interest and penalties, and in all respects proceed as it is authorized to proceed for the taxes imposed by subch. III. The department of transportation and the department of natural resources may administer the county, municipality, <u>transit authority</u>, and special district sales and use taxes in regard to items under s. 77.61 (1).

**SECTION 128.** 77.76 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.76 (2) Judicial and administrative review of departmental determinations shall be as provided in subch. III for state sales and use taxes, and no county, municipality, <u>transit authority</u>, or special district may intervene in any matter related to the levy, enforcement, and collection of the taxes under this subchapter.

**SECTION 129.** 77.76 (3w) of the statutes is created to read:

77.76 (**3w**) From the appropriation under s. 20.835 (4) (gc), the department of revenue shall distribute 98.5 percent of the taxes reported for each transit authority that has imposed taxes under this subchapter, minus the transit authority portion of the retailers' discount, to the transit authority no later than

the end of the 3rd month following the end of the calendar quarter in which such amounts were reported. At the time of distribution, the department of revenue shall indicate the taxes reported by each taxpayer. In this subsection, the "transit authority portion of the retailers' discount" is the amount determined by multiplying the total retailers' discount by a fraction the numerator of which is the gross transit authority sales and use taxes payable and the denominator of which is the sum of the gross state and transit authority sales and use taxes payable. The transit authority taxes distributed shall be increased or decreased to reflect subsequent refunds, audit adjustments, and all other adjustments of the transit authority taxes previously distributed. Interest paid on refunds of transit authority sales and use taxes shall be paid from the appropriation under s. 20.835 (4) (gc) at the rate paid by this state under s. 77.60 (1) (a). Any transit authority receiving a report under this subsection is subject to the duties of confidentiality to which the department of revenue is subject under s. 77.61 (5).

**SECTION 130.** 77.76 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.76 (4) There shall be retained by the state 1.5 percent of the taxes collected for taxes imposed by special districts under s. 77.706 and transit authorities under s. 77.708, 0.75 percent of the taxes collected for taxes imposed by counties under s. 77.70, and 1.75 percent of the taxes collected for taxes imposed by municipalities under s. 77.701 to cover costs incurred by the state in administering, enforcing, and collecting the tax. All interest and penalties collected shall be deposited and retained by this state in the general fund.

**SECTION 131.** 77.76 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

77.76 (7) If a retailer receives notice from the department of revenue that the

retailer is required to collect and remit the taxes imposed under s. 77.708, but the retailer believes that the retailer is not required to collect such taxes because the retailer is not doing business within the transit authority's jurisdictional area, the retailer shall notify the department of revenue no later than 30 days after receiving notice from the department. The department of revenue shall affirm or revise its original determination no later than 30 days after receiving the retailer's notice.

**SECTION 132.** 77.77 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.77 (1) (a) The sales price from services subject to the tax under s. 77.52 (2) or the lease, rental, or license of tangible personal property and property, items, and goods specified under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), and (d), is subject to the taxes under this subchapter, and the incremental amount of tax caused by a rate increase applicable to those services, leases, rentals, or licenses is due, beginning with the first billing period starting on or after the effective date of the county ordinance, municipal ordinance, special district resolution, transit authority resolution, or rate increase, regardless of whether the service is furnished or the property, item, or good is leased, rented, or licensed to the customer before or after that date.

**SECTION 133.** 77.77 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.77 (1) (b) The sales price from services subject to the tax under s. 77.52 (2) or the lease, rental, or license of tangible personal property and property, items, and goods specified under s. 77.52 (1) (b), (c), and (d) is not subject to the taxes under this subchapter, and a decrease in the tax rate imposed under this subchapter on those services first applies, beginning with bills rendered on or after the effective date of the repeal or sunset of a county ordinance, municipal ordinance, or special district resolution, or transit authority resolution imposing the tax or

other rate decrease, regardless of whether the service is furnished or the property, item, or good is leased, rented, or licensed to the customer before or after that date.

**SECTION 134.** 77.77 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

77.77 (3) The sale of building materials to contractors engaged in the business of constructing, altering, repairing or improving real estate for others is not subject to the taxes under this subchapter, and the incremental amount of tax caused by the rate increase applicable to those materials is not due, if the materials are affixed and made a structural part of real estate, and the amount payable to the contractor is fixed without regard to the costs incurred in performing a written contract that was irrevocably entered into prior to the effective date of the county ordinance, municipal ordinance, special district resolution, transit authority resolution, or rate increase or that resulted from the acceptance of a formal written bid accompanied by a bond or other performance guaranty that was irrevocably submitted before that date.

**SECTION 135.** 77.78 of the statutes is amended to read:

77.78 Registration. No motor vehicle, boat, snowmobile, recreational vehicle, as defined in s. 340.01 (48r), trailer, semitrailer, all-terrain vehicle, utility terrain vehicle, off-highway motorcycle, as defined in s. 23.335 (1) (q), or aircraft that is required to be registered by this state may be registered or titled by this state unless the registrant files a sales and use tax report and pays the county tax, municipal tax, transit authority tax, and special district tax at the time of registering or titling to the state agency that registers or titles the property. That state agency shall transmit those tax revenues to the department of revenue.

**SECTION 136.** Subchapter XIV of chapter 77 [precedes 77.9981] of the statutes is created to read:

#### **CHAPTER 77**

#### SUBCHAPTER XIV

#### REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY FEE

77.9981 Imposition. A regional transit authority created under s. 66.1039 (2) may impose a fee at a rate not to exceed \$2 for each transaction in the authority's jurisdictional area, as described in s. 66.1039 (2), on the rental, but not for rerental and not for rental as a service or repair replacement vehicle, of Type 1 automobiles, as defined in s. 340.01 (4) (a), by establishments primarily engaged in short-term rental of passenger cars without drivers, for a period of 30 days or less, unless the sale is exempt from the sales tax under s. 77.54 (1), (4), (7) (a), (7m), (9), or (9a). The fee imposed under this subchapter shall be effective on the first day of the first month that begins at least 90 days after the board of directors of the regional transit authority approves the imposition of the fee and notifies the department of revenue. The board of directors shall notify the department of a repeal of the fee imposed under this subchapter at least 60 days before the effective date of the repeal.

**77.9982 Administration.** (1) The department of revenue shall administer the fee under this subchapter and may take any action, conduct any proceeding, and impose interest and penalties.

(2) Sections 77.51 (12m), (14), (14g), (15a), and (15b), 77.52 (1b), (3), (5), (13), (14), (18), and (19), 77.522, 77.58 (1) to (5), (6m), and (7), 77.585, 77.59, 77.60, 77.61 (2), (3m), (5), (8), (9), and (12) to (15), and 77.62, as they apply to the taxes under

subch. III, apply to the fee under this subchapter. Section 77.73, as it applies to the taxes under subch. V, applies to the fee under this subchapter. The renter shall collect the fee under this subchapter from the person to whom the passenger car is rented.

- (3) From the appropriation under s. 20.835 (4) (gh), the department of revenue shall distribute 97.45 percent of the fees collected under this subchapter for each regional transit authority to that authority and shall indicate to the authority the fees reported by each fee payer in the authority's jurisdiction, no later than the end of the month following the end of the calendar quarter in which the amounts were collected. The fees distributed shall be increased or decreased to reflect subsequent refunds, audit adjustments, and all other adjustments. Interest paid on refunds of the fee under this subchapter shall be paid from the appropriation under s. 20.835 (4) (gh) at the rate under s. 77.60 (1) (a). Any regional transit authority that receives a report along with a payment under this subsection is subject to the duties of confidentiality to which the department of revenue is subject under s. 77.61 (5).
- (4) Persons who are subject to the fee under this subchapter shall register with the department of revenue. Any person who is required to register; including any person authorized to act on behalf of a corporation, partnership, or other person who is required to register; who fails to do so is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- (5) A retailer who collects a fee under this subchapter shall identify the fee as a separate item on a receipt the retailer provides to a rental customer.

77.9983 Discontinuation. Retailers and the department of revenue may not

collect fees under this subchapter for any regional transit authority after the calendar quarter during which the regional transit authority ceases to exist, except that the department may collect from retailers fees that accrued before that calendar quarter and interest and penalties that relate to those fees. If fees are collected, the authority may use the revenue for any lawful purpose.

**SECTION 137.** 85.064 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

85.064 (1) (b) "Political subdivision" means any city, village, town, county, or transit commission organized under s. 59.58 (2) or 66.1021 or recognized under s. 66.0301, or transit authority created under s. 66.1039 within this state.

**SECTION 138.** 345.05 (1) (ag) of the statutes is created to read:

345.05 (1) (ag) "Authority" means a transit authority created under s. 66.1039.

**SECTION 139.** 345.05 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

345.05 (2) A person suffering any damage proximately resulting from the negligent operation of a motor vehicle owned and operated by a municipality or authority, which damage was occasioned by the operation of the motor vehicle in the course of its business, may file a claim for damages against the municipality or authority concerned and the governing body of the municipality or the board of directors of the authority may allow, compromise, settle and pay the claim. In this subsection, a motor vehicle is deemed owned and operated by a municipality or authority if the vehicle is either being rented or leased, or is being purchased under a contract whereby the municipality or authority will acquire title.

**SECTION 140.** 611.11 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

611.11 (4) (a) In this subsection, "municipality" has the meaning given in s. 345.05 (1) (c), but also includes any transit authority created under s. 66.1039.

#### SECTION 9337. Initial applicability; Revenue.

- (1) TRANSIT AUTHORITY PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION. The treatment of s. 70.11(2) first applies to the property tax assessments as of January 1, 2025.".
  - **27.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 141.** 79.10 (7m) (a) 1. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

79.10 (7m) (a) 1. b. In the 2024-25 fiscal year, on the 4th Monday in July 2024, the department of administration shall distribute \$940,000,000 related to the 2023 property tax levies. In the 2024-25 fiscal year, on the first Monday in May 2025, the department of administration shall distribute \$335,000,000, related to the 2024 property tax levies.

d. In the 2026-27 fiscal year, on the 4th Monday in July 2026, the department of administration shall distribute \$940,000,000 related to the 2025 property tax levies. In the 2026-27 fiscal year, on the first Monday in May 2027, the department of administration shall distribute \$584,700,000 related to the 2026 property tax levies. In each fiscal year thereafter, on the 4th Monday in July, the department of administration shall distribute \$940,000,000 related to the property tax levies of the calendar year immediately preceding the distribution. In each fiscal year thereafter, on the first Monday in May, the department of administration shall distribute \$335,000,000 \$584,700,000 related to the property tax levies of the calendar year immediately preceding the distribution.

**SECTION 142.** 79.10 (7m) (a) 1. c. of the statutes is created to read:

79.10 (7m) (a) 1. c. In the 2025-26 fiscal year, on the 4th Monday in July 2025,

the department of administration shall distribute \$940,000,000 related to the 2024 property tax levies. In the 2025-26 fiscal year, on the first Monday in May 2026, the department of administration shall distribute \$460,300,000 related to the 2025 property tax levies.

**SECTION 143.** 79.14 of the statutes is amended to read:

**79.14 School levy tax credit.** The appropriation under s. 20.835 (3) (b), for the payments under s. 79.10 (4), is \$319,305,000 in 1994, 1995, and 1996; \$469,305,000 beginning in 1997 and ending in 2006; \$593,050,000 in 2007; \$672,400,000 in 2008; \$747,400,000 in 2009; \$732,550,000 in 2010, 2011, and 2012; \$747,400,000 in 2013, 2014, and 2015; \$853,000,000 in 2016 and 2017; and \$940,000,000 in 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022; and in fiscal year 2023-24, \$1,195,000,000. Beginning in In fiscal year 2024-25, the appropriation under s. 20.835 (3) (b), for the payments under s. 79.10 (4), is \$1,275,000,000; in fiscal year 2025-26, the appropriation is \$1,400,300,000; and in fiscal year 2026-27, the appropriation is \$1,524,700,000."

**28.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 144.** 79.005 (1j) of the statutes is created to read:

79.005 (1j) (a) "Energy storage facility" means property to which all of the following applies:

- 1. The property is interconnected to the electrical grid.
- 2. The property is designed to receive electrical energy, to store the electrical energy as another form of energy, and to convert that other form back into electrical energy.

- 3. The property delivers the electrical energy converted from some other form, as described in subd. 2., for sale or to use for providing reliability or economic benefits to the electrical grid.
- 4. The property is owned by a light, heat, and power company assessed under s. 76.28 (2) or 76.29 (2), not including property described in s. 66.0813 unless the property is owned or operated by a local governmental unit located outside of the municipality, or by an electric cooperative assessed under ss. 76.07 and 76.48, respectively, or by a municipal electric company under s. 66.0825.
- (b) "Energy storage facility" includes hydroelectric pumped storage, compressed air energy storage, regenerative fuel cells, batteries, superconducting magnetic energy storage, flywheels, thermal energy storage systems, and hydrogen storage, or combination thereof, or any other similar technologies as determined by the federal energy regulatory commission.

**SECTION 145.** 79.005 (1L) of the statutes is created to read:

79.005 (1L) "Liquefied natural gas storage facility" means a liquefied natural gas storage facility owned by a light, heat, and power company assessed under s. 76.28 (2) or 76.29 (2), not including property described in s. 66.0813, unless the property is owned or operated by a local governmental unit located outside of the municipality, by an electric cooperative assessed under ss. 76.07 and 76.48, respectively, or by a municipal electric company under s. 66.0825.

**SECTION 146.** 79.04 (7m) of the statutes is created to read:

79.04 (7m) (a) Annually, the department of administration, upon certification by the department of revenue, shall distribute a payment from the public utility account to each municipality and county in which an energy storage facility with a

name-plate capacity of at least one megawatt is located. If the energy storage facility is located in a city or village, the city or village receives a payment equal to two-thirds of the product of the facility's name-plate capacity multiplied by \$2,000 and the county in which the energy storage facility is located receives a payment equal to one-third of the product of the facility's name-plate capacity multiplied by \$2,000. If the energy storage facility is located in a town, the town receives a payment equal to one-third of the product of the facility's name-plate capacity multiplied by \$2,000 and the county in which the energy storage facility is located receives a payment equal to two-thirds of the product of the facility's name-plate capacity multiplied by \$2,000.

(b) Annually, the department of administration, upon certification by the department of revenue, shall distribute a payment from the public utility account to each municipality and county in which a liquefied natural gas storage facility is located. If the liquefied natural gas storage facility is located in a city or village, the city or village receives a payment equal to 6 mills multiplied by the net book value of the liquefied natural gas storage facility and the county in which the liquefied natural gas storage facility is located receives a payment equal to 3 mills multiplied by the net book value of the liquefied natural gas storage facility. If the liquefied natural gas storage facility is located in a town, the town receives a payment equal to 3 mills multiplied by the net book value of the liquefied natural gas storage facility is located receives a payment equal to 6 mills multiplied by the net book value of the liquefied natural gas storage facility is located receives a payment equal to 6 mills multiplied by the net book value of the liquefied natural gas storage facility.

SECTION 9337. Initial applicability; Revenue.

- (1) ENERGY AND LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS STORAGE FACILITIES. The treatment of ss. 79.005 (1j) and (1L) and 79.04 (7m) first applies to distributions made after January 1, 2026.".
  - **29.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 147.** 20.835 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

20.835 (1) (d) State aid, state assessed pipelines. A sum sufficient to make payments as provided under s. 79.098.

**SECTION 148.** 38.16 (3) (a) 2w. of the statutes is amended to read:

38.16 (3) (a) 2w. "Revenue" means the sum of the tax levy, property tax relief aid under subs. (4) and (5), and payments received under s. ss. 79.096 and 79.098, not including a payment received under s. 79.096 (3) or 79.098 (3) for a tax incremental district that has been terminated.

**SECTION 149.** 66.0602 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.0602 (2) (b) For purposes of par. (a), in 2018, and in each year thereafter, the base amount to which the limit under this section applies is the actual levy for the immediately preceding year, plus the amount of the payments under ss. 79.096 and, 79.0965, and 79.098, and the levy limit is the base amount multiplied by the valuation factor, minus the amount of the payments under ss. 79.096 and, 79.0965, and 79.098, except that the adjustments for payments received under s. 79.096 of, 79.0965, or 79.098 do not apply to payments received under s. 79.096 (3) of, 79.098 (3) for a tax incremental district that has been terminated.

**SECTION 150.** 79.098 of the statutes is created to read:

**79.098** State aid; state assessed pipelines. (1) Beginning in 2027, and in each year thereafter, the department of administration shall pay to each taxing

jurisdiction, as defined in s. 79.095 (1) (c), an amount equal to the property taxes levied on the pipeline property of a pipeline company, as defined in s. 76.02 (5), for the property tax assessments as of January 1, 2024.

- (2) (a) Each municipality shall report to the department of revenue, in the time and manner determined by the department, the amount of the property taxes levied on the pipeline property of a pipeline company, as defined in s. 76.02 (5), for the property tax assessments as of January 1, 2024, on behalf of the municipality and on behalf of other taxing jurisdictions.
- (b) Each taxing jurisdiction shall report to the department of revenue, in the time and manner determined by the department, any information the department considers necessary to administer this section.
- (c) If a municipality does not timely electronically file the report required by the department of revenue under par. (a), the following reductions will be made to the municipality's pipeline property aid distributed under sub. (1) in 2027:
  - 1. Reduction of the aid by 25 percent, if not filed by June 30, 2026.
  - 2. Forfeiture of the aid, if not filed by July 15, 2026.
- (d) If a municipality does not electronically file the report required by the department of revenue under par. (a) by July 15, 2026, the department may use the best information available to calculate the aid to distribute under sub. (1) in 2027 to the applicable taxing jurisdictions.
- (3) Each taxing jurisdiction shall attribute to each tax incremental district within the taxing jurisdiction the district's proportionate share of the amount the taxing jurisdiction receives under sub. (1). The amount that would have been paid to a tax incremental district under this subsection shall be distributed to the

municipality and applicable taxing jurisdictions in the year following the termination of the tax incremental district and in each year thereafter.

(4) The department of revenue shall certify the amount of the payment due each taxing jurisdiction under sub. (1) to the department of administration, and the department of administration shall make the payment on or before the first Monday in May.

**SECTION 151.** 121.90 (2) (am) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

121.90 (2) (am) 2. Amounts under ss. 79.095 (4) and, 79.096, and 79.098 for the current school year, not including payments received under s. 79.096 (3) or 79.098 (3) for a tax incremental district that has been terminated.".

**30.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 152.** 86.30 (2) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

86.30 **(2)** (a) 3. For each mile of road or street under the jurisdiction of a municipality as determined under s. 86.302, the mileage aid payment shall be \$2,628 in calendar years 2020 and 2021, \$2,681 in calendar year 2022, and \$2,734 in calendar year years 2023 and to 2025, \$2,816 in calendar year 2026, and \$2,901 in calendar year 2027 and thereafter.

**SECTION 153.** 86.30 (9) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.30 (9) (b) For the purpose of calculating and distributing aids under sub. (2), the amounts for aids to counties are \$127,140,200 in calendar year 2023. In calendar year 2024, the amounts for aids to counties are \$129,683,000. In calendar year 2025 and thereafter, the amounts for aids to counties are \$132,276,700 in calendar year 2025, \$136,245,000 in calendar year 2026, and \$140,332,400 in calendar year 2027 and thereafter. These amounts, to the extent practicable, shall

be used to determine the statewide county average cost-sharing percentage in the particular calendar year.

**SECTION 154.** 86.30 (9) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.30 (9) (c) For the purpose of calculating and distributing aids under sub. (2), the amounts for aids to municipalities are \$398,996,800 in calendar year 2023. In calendar year 2024, the amounts for aids to municipalities are \$406,976,700. In calendar year 2025 and thereafter, the amounts for aids to municipalities are \$415,116,200 in calendar year 2025, \$427,569,700 in calendar year 2026, and \$440,396,800 in calendar year 2027 and thereafter. These amounts, to the extent practicable, shall be used to determine the statewide municipal average cost-sharing percentage in the particular calendar year.

#### **SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.**

- (1) GENERAL TRANSPORTATION AIDS.
- (a) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (as), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$133,268,800. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (as), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$137,266,900.
- (b) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (at), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$421,343,000. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (at), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$433,983,300.".

# **31.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) EXPRESSWAY POLICING AIDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (gq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$8,711,900. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (gq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$9,610,300.".
  - **32.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 155. 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. cm. of the statutes is amended to read:

85.20 (4m) (a) 6. cm. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (hd), the department shall pay \$32,738,900 for calendar year 2022, \$65,477,800 for calendar year 2023, and \$66,787,400 for calendar year 2025, \$69,458,900 for calendar year 2026, and \$72,237,300 for calendar year 2027 and each calendar year thereafter, to the eligible applicant that pays the local contribution required under par. (b) 1. for an urban mass transit system that has annual operating expenses of \$80,000,000 \$100,000,000 or more. If the eligible applicant that receives aid under this subd. 6. cm. is served by more than one urban mass transit system, the eligible applicant may allocate the aid between the urban mass transit systems in any manner the eligible applicant considers desirable.

**SECTION 156.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. d. of the statutes is amended to read:

85.20 (**4m**) (a) 6. d. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (he), the department shall pay \$8,602,700 for calendar year 2022, \$17,205,400 for calendar year 2023, and \$17,549,500 for calendar year 2025, \$18,251,500 for calendar year 2026, \$18,981,600 for calendar year 2027 and each calendar year thereafter, to the

eligible applicant that pays the local contribution required under par. (b) 1. for an urban mass transit system that has annual operating expenses in excess of \$20,000,000 \$30,000,000 but less than \$80,000,000 \$100,000,000. If the eligible applicant that receives aid under this subd. 6. d. is served by more than one urban mass transit system, the eligible applicant may allocate the aid between the urban mass transit systems in any manner the eligible applicant considers desirable.

**SECTION 157.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 7. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

85.20 (4m) (a) 7. a. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (hb), beginning with aid payable for calendar year 2002 and for each calendar year thereafter, the uniform percentage for each eligible applicant served by an urban mass transit system operating within an urbanized area having a population as shown in the 2010 most recent federal decennial census of at least 50,000 or receiving federal mass transit aid for such area, and not specified in subd. 6.

**SECTION 158.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 7. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

85.20 (4m) (a) 7. b. For the purpose of making allocations under subd. 7. a., the amounts for aids are \$24,976,400 in calendar years 2020 to 2023 and \$25,475,900 in calendar year 2025, \$26,494,900 in calendar year 2026, and \$27,554,700 in calendar year 2027 and each calendar year thereafter. These amounts, to the extent practicable, shall be used to determine the uniform percentage in the particular calendar year.

**SECTION 159.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 8. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

85.20 (4m) (a) 8. a. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (hc), beginning with aid payable for calendar year 2002 and for each calendar year thereafter, the uniform percentage for each eligible applicant served by an urban mass transit

system operating within an area having a population as shown in the 2010 most recent federal decennial census of less than 50,000 or receiving federal mass transit aid for such area.

**SECTION 160.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 8. b. of the statutes is amended to read:

85.20 (4m) (a) 8. b. For the purpose of making allocations under subd. 8. a., the amounts for aids are \$5,292,700 in calendar years 2020 to 2023 and \$5,398,600 in calendar year 2025, \$9,800,600 in calendar year 2026, and \$10,192,600 in calendar year 2027 and each calendar year thereafter. These amounts, to the extent practicable, shall be used to determine the uniform percentage in the particular calendar year.

#### SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) Mass transit operating assistance.
- (a) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hb), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$25,730,700. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hb), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$26,759,900.
- (b) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hc), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$6,499,1000. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hc), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$9,898,600.
- (c) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hd), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26

is adjusted to \$67,455,300. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hd), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$70,153,500.

- (d) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (he), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$17,725,000. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (he), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$18,434,000.".
  - **33.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 161. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2025-26 2026-27

#### 20.395 Transportation, department of

- (1) AIDS
  - (ba) Transit capital assistance grants GPR C 20,000,000 -0-

**SECTION 162.** 20.395 (1) (ba) of the statutes is created to read:

20.395 (1) (ba) *Transit capital assistance grants*. From the general fund, as a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for transit capital assistance grants under s. 85.203.

**SECTION 163.** 85.203 of the statutes is created to read:

#### 85.203 Transit capital assistance grants. (1) In this section:

- (a) "Eligible applicant" has the meaning given in s. 85.20 (1) (b).
- (b) "Public transit vehicle" means any vehicle used for providing

transportation service to the general public that is eligible for replacement under settlement guidelines, as defined in s. 16.047 (1) (b).

- (2) The department shall administer a transit capital assistance grant program. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (ba), the department shall award grants to eligible applicants for the replacement of public transit vehicles. The department shall establish criteria for awarding grants under this section.".
  - **34.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2025-26 2026-27

#### 20.395 Transportation, department of

- (3) STATE HIGHWAY FACILITIES
  - (cs) State highway rehabilitation,

service funds

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**SECTION 164.** 20.395 (3) (cg) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.395 (3) (cq) State highway rehabilitation, state funds. As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for improvement of existing state trunk and connecting highways; for improvement of bridges on state trunk or connecting highways and other bridges for which improvement is a state responsibility, for necessary approach work for such bridges and for replacement of such bridges with at-grade crossing improvements; for the construction and rehabilitation of the national system of interstate and defense highways and bridges and related appurtenances; for activities under s. 84.04 on roadside improvements; for bridges

under s. 84.10; for the bridge project under s. 84.115; for payment to a local unit of government for a jurisdictional transfer under s. 84.02 (8); for the disadvantaged business demonstration and training program under s. 84.076; for the purpose specified in s. 84.017 (3); for the transfers required under 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, section 9250 (1) and 2003 Wisconsin Act 33, section 9153 (4q); and for the purposes described under 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, section 9150 (8g), 2001 Wisconsin Act 16, section 9152 (4e), 2007 Wisconsin Act 20, section 9148 (9i) (b) and (9x), 2021 Wisconsin Act 58, section 9144 (5), and 2023 Wisconsin Act 19, section 9144 (8), and 2025 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), section 9144 (1). This paragraph does not apply to any southeast Wisconsin freeway megaprojects under s. 84.0145, to any southeast Wisconsin freeway rehabilitation projects under s. 84.014 that also qualify as major highway projects under s. 84.013, or to the installation, replacement, rehabilitation, or maintenance of highway signs, traffic control signals, highway lighting, pavement markings, or intelligent transportation systems, unless incidental to the improvement of existing state trunk and connecting highways.

**SECTION 2.** 20.395 (3) (cs) of the statutes is created to read:

20.395 (3) (cs) State highway rehabilitation, service funds. All moneys received from the fund created under s. 18.57 (1) as reimbursement for the temporary financing under sub. (9) (th) of state highway rehabilitation projects for the purposes specified under sub. (3) (cq) that are financed under s. 84.59, for the purpose of financing such projects

**SECTION 165.** 20.395 (4) (jq) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.395 (4) (jq) Transportation facilities and highway projects revenue obligation funding. As a continuing appropriation, all proceeds from revenue

obligations issued under s. 84.59 and deposited into the fund created under s. 18.57 (1), for the transportation administrative facilities purposes of s. 84.01 (28) and, for major highway projects as defined under s. 84.013 (1) (a) for the purposes of ss. 84.06 and 84.09, and for state highway rehabilitation projects for the purposes specified in sub. (3) (cq), providing for reserves and for expenses of issuance and management of the revenue obligations. Estimated disbursements under this paragraph shall not be included in the schedule under s. 20.005.

**SECTION 166.** 20.395 (9) (th) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.395 (9) (th) Temporary funding of projects financed by revenue bonds. A sum sufficient to provide initial, temporary funding for any project to be financed under s. 84.59 which is a major highway project enumerated under s. 84.013 (3) or a project under s. 84.01 (28) approved under s. 13.48 (10) or authorized under s. 84.01 (30) or a state highway rehabilitation project for a purpose specified in sub. (3) (cq). The department shall keep a separate account of expenditures under this paragraph for each such project. As soon as moneys become available from the proceeds of the obligation issued under s. 84.59 to finance that project, an amount equal to the amounts expended under this paragraph shall be paid from those proceeds into the transportation fund and credited to the appropriation account under sub. (3) (br) or (cs) or (4) (at).

**SECTION 167.** 84.59 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.59 (1) Transportation facilities under s. 84.01 (28) and, major highway projects as defined under s. 84.013 (1) (a) for the purposes under ss. 84.06 and 84.09, and state highway rehabilitation projects for the purposes specified in s.

20.395 (3) (cq) may be funded with the proceeds of revenue obligations issued subject to and in accordance with subch. II of ch. 18.

**SECTION 168.** 84.59 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.59 (6) The building commission may contract revenue obligations when it reasonably appears to the building commission that all obligations incurred under this section can be fully paid from moneys received or anticipated and pledged to be received on a timely basis. Except as provided in this subsection, the principal amount of revenue obligations issued under this section may not exceed \$4.055.372.900 \$4.644.920.600, excluding any obligations that have been defeased under a cash optimization program administered by the building commission, to be used for transportation facilities under s. 84.01 (28) and, major highway projects for the purposes under ss. 84.06 and 84.09. In addition to the foregoing limit on principal amount, the building commission may contract revenue obligations under this section up to \$142,254,600, excluding any obligations that have been defeased under a cash optimization program administered by the building commission, to be used for transportation facilities under s. 84.01 (28) and major highway projects for the purposes under ss. 84.06 and 84.09. In addition to the foregoing limit on principal amount, the building commission may contract revenue obligations under this section up to \$128,258,200, excluding any obligations that have been defeased under a cash optimization program administered by the building commission, to be used for transportation facilities under s. 84.01 (28) and major highway projects for the purposes under ss. 84.06 and 84.09, and state highway rehabilitation projects for the purposes specified in s. 20.395 (3) (cq). In addition to the foregoing limits on principal amount, the building commission may contract revenue obligations under

this section as the building commission determines is desirable to refund outstanding revenue obligations contracted under this section, to make payments under agreements or ancillary arrangements entered into under s. 18.55 (6) with respect to revenue obligations issued under this section, and to pay expenses associated with revenue obligations contracted under this section.

#### SECTION 9144. Nonstatutory provisions; Transportation.

(1) SOUND BARRIERS ON I 894. During the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, the department of transportation shall allocate \$19,500,000 from the appropriation under s. 20.395 (3) (cq) for the construction of sound barriers on I 894, between 27th street and 76th street, in Milwaukee County.

#### SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) STATE HIGHWAY REHABILITATION; STATE FUNDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (cq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$39,073,800 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$227,400,700 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.
- (2) STATE HIGHWAY REHABILITATION; FEDERAL FUNDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (cx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is decreased by \$6,272,900 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is decreased by \$6,176,700 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".
  - **35.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

(1) PARATRANSIT AIDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the

appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$4,125,100. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (hq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$4,262,600."

**36.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 169. 238.03 (4) (b) (intro.) and 1. of the statutes are consolidated, renumbered 238.03 (4) (b) and amended to read:

238.03 (4) (b) The board shall establish policies and procedures for maintaining and expending any unassigned balance that satisfy all of the following requirements: 1. The policies and procedures shall be consistent with best practices recommended by the Government Finance Officers Association.

**SECTION 170.** 238.03 (4) (b) 2. of the statutes is repealed.".

**37.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 171. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2025-26 2026-27

## 20.437 Children and families, department of

- (2) ECONOMIC SUPPORT
  - (fn) Expanded Transform Milwaukeee

Jobs program and Transitional

Jobs program GPR A 1,000,000 1,000,000

**SECTION 172.** 20.437 (2) (fn) of the statutes is created to read:

20.437 (2) (fn) Expanded Transform Milwaukee Jobs program and Transitional Jobs program. The amounts in the schedule for the program under s. 49.1632.

**SECTION 173.** 49.1632 of the statutes is created to read:

**49.1632** Expanded Transform Milwaukee Jobs program and Transitional Jobs program. From the appropriation under s. 20.437 (2) (fn), the department shall establish programs identical to the Transform Milwaukee Jobs program and Transitional Jobs program under s. 49.163 except that an individual is not required to satisfy the eligibility criteria under s. 49.163 (2) (am) 2. and 3. in order to participate.".

**38.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 174. 84.013 (3) (be) of the statutes is created to read:

84.013 (3) (be) I 39/90/94 extending approximately 67 miles in Dane, Columbia, Sauk, and Juneau counties from USH 12/18 in Madison to USH 12/STH 16 in Wisconsin Dells, including I 39 from I 90/94 to Levee Road near the city of Portage, and including all interchanges and work on adjacent roadways necessary for the completion of the project.

**SECTION 175.** 86.255 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

86.255 (2) (c) The purchase of any land, easements, or development rights in land executed in the name of the department for the completion of the I 39/90/94 project under s. 84.013 (3) (be).

#### SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

(1) MAJOR HIGHWAY DEVELOPMENT, FEDERAL FUNDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395

- (3) (bx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$38,845,100 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$47,477,400 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.
- (2) Major Highway Development, Service Funds. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (br), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$123,422,800 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$121,112,400 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".
  - **39.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) HIGHWAYS SYSTEM MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (eq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$15,000,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$20,000,000 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.
- (2) ROUTINE MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (es), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$6,600,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$13,400,000 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".
  - **40.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

(1) MEGAPROJECTS, STATE FUNDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the

appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (aq), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$58,800 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$58,800 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.

(2) MEGAPROJECTS, FEDERAL FUNDS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (3) (ax), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$201,800 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$201,800 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".

## **41.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 9202. Fiscal changes; Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

- (1) County conservation staffing General fund. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 20.115 (7) (c), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$2,759,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$2,990,000 for support of counties' 3rd local land conservation personnel positions under the soil and water resource management program under s. 92.14.
- (2) COUNTY CONSERVATION STAFFING ENVIRONMENTAL FUND. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 20.115 (7) (qe), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$3,372,100 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-

27 is increased by \$3,654,400 for support of counties' first and 2nd local land conservation personnel positions under the soil and water resource management program under s. 92.14.".

## **42.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY IMPROVEMENT, FEDERAL. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (fx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$82,025,100 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$85,116,600 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.
- (2) LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FACILITY IMPROVEMENT, LOCAL. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (fv), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$20,506,300 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$21,279,200 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".

# **43.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) Transportation alternatives program, federal. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (jx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$12,047,500 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$12,429,400 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.
  - (2) TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM, LOCAL. In the schedule under

s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (jv), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$3,011,900 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$3,107,400 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".

## **44.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, FEDERAL. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (kx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$4,962,300 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$5,061,500 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.
- (2) CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, LOCAL. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (kv), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$1,240,600 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$1,265,400 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".

# **45.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

(1) RAILROAD CROSSING IMPROVEMENT, FEDERAL. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (gx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$3,061,600 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$3,188,700 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.

- (2) RAILROAD CROSSING IMPROVEMENT, LOCAL. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (gv), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$765,400 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$797,200 for the purposes for which the appropriation is made.".
  - **46.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

#### "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

- (1) Infrastructure bank program. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (2) (pv), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$95,600.".
  - **47.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

# "SECTION 9202. Fiscal changes; Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

- (1) BUY LOCAL, BUY WISCONSIN GRANTS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 20.115 (3) (b), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$500,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$500,000 for the purpose of Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin grants.".
  - **48.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

# "SECTION 9202. Fiscal changes; Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

(1) REGIONAL FARMER SUPPORT. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection

under s. 20.115 (3) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$150,400 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$200,500 to increase the authorized FTE positions for the department by 2.0 GPR positions for expanding access to the department's farm center services and support in the northwest and northeast regions of the state.".

**49.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 9202. Fiscal changes; Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.

(1) FUNDING AND LTE POSITION FOR THE STATE LOCAL FOOD PURCHASE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 20.115 (3) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$366,800 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$401,600 for the purpose of contracting with a local food procurement entity to work with food producers under the state's local food purchase assistance program and for one or more LTE positions to provide support to the state's local food purchase assistance program.".

**50.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 176.** 49.163 (2) (am) 4. of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 177.** 49.163 (2) (am) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

49.163 (2) (am) 5. Be ineligible Have not filed for unemployment insurance benefits or have filed but is not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits.

**SECTION 3.** 49.175 (1) (k) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.175 (1) (k) Transform Milwaukee and Transitional Jobs programs. For

contract costs under the Transform Milwaukee Jobs program and the Transitional Jobs program under s. 49.163, \$9,500,000 \$12,475,000 in each fiscal year.

#### SECTION 9206. Fiscal changes; Children and Families.

- (1) Transitional Jobs and Transform Milwaukee. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (md), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$2,975,000 to expanding eligibility for the Transform Milwaukee and Transitional Jobs subsidized jobs programs. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (md), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$2,975,000 to expanding eligibility for the Transform Milwaukee and Transitional Jobs subsidized jobs programs."
  - **51.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 178.** 5.056 of the statutes is amended to read:

5.056 Matching program with secretary of transportation. The commission administrator shall enter into the agreement with the secretary of transportation specified under s. 85.61 (1) to match personally identifiable information on the official registration list maintained by the commission under s. 6.36 (1) and the information specified in s. ss. 6.256 (2) and 6.34 (2m) with personally identifiable information maintained by the department of transportation. Subject to s. 343.14 (2p) (b), the agreement shall provide for the electronic transfer of information under s. 6.256 (2) to the commission on a continuous basis, no less often than weekly.

**SECTION 179.** 6.256 of the statutes is created to read:

- **6.256** Facilitating registration of electors. (1) The commission shall use all feasible means to facilitate the registration of all eligible electors of this state and the maintenance of the registration of all eligible electors for so long as they remain eligible.
- (2) Subject to s. 343.14 (2p) (b), for the purpose of carrying out its functions under sub. (1), the commission shall obtain the following information from the department of transportation, to the extent that the department has the information:
- (a) The full name of each individual who holds a current operator's license issued to the individual under ch. 343 or a current identification card issued to the individual under s. 343.50, together with the following information pertaining to that individual:
- 1. The current address of the individual together with any address history and any name history maintained by the department of transportation.
  - 2. The date of birth of the individual.
  - 3. The number of the license or identification card issued to the individual.
- 4. A copy of each document that the applicant provided as proof of citizenship and a statement from the department of transportation indicating that the department verified the applicant's citizenship.
- (b) For each item of information specified in par. (a), the most recent date that the item of information was provided to or obtained by the department of transportation.

(3) The commission shall compare the information obtained under sub. (2) with the information in the registration list under s. 6.36 (1) (a). If the commission finds any discrepancy between the information obtained under sub. (2) regarding an elector and the information in the registration list under s. 6.36 (1) (a) regarding that elector, the commission shall attempt to contact the elector to resolve the discrepancy and update the registration list accordingly. If the commission is unable to resolve the discrepancy, the information in the registration list shall control.

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- (4) If the commission concludes that an individual appears eligible to vote in this state but is not registered and the commission has obtained from reliable sources all the information required under s. 6.33 (1) to complete the individual's registration, the commission shall enter the individual's name on the registration list maintained under s. 6.36 (1) (a). If the commission has not obtained from reliable sources all the information pertaining to an individual that is required under s. 6.33 (1), the commission shall attempt to obtain from reliable sources the necessary information under s. 6.33 (1) that is required to complete the individual's registration. If an elector's status has been changed from eligible to ineligible under s. 6.50 and the elector's eligibility, name, or residence has not changed, the commission may not change the individual's name to eligible status unless the commission first verifies that the individual is eligible and wishes to change his or her status to eligible.
  - (5) The commission shall attempt to contact an individual described in sub.

- (4) if necessary to obtain all the information specified in s. 6.33 (1) pertaining to the individual that is required to complete the individual's registration.
- (6) The commission shall mail a notice to each individual whose name the commission enters under sub. (4) on the registration list maintained under s. 6.36 (1) (a). The notice shall be printed in English, Spanish, and other languages spoken by a significant number of state residents, as determined by the commission, and shall include all of the following:
- (a) A statement informing the individual that his or her name has been entered on the registration list and showing the current address for the individual based on the commission's records.
- (b) A statement informing the individual that he or she may request to have his or her name deleted from the registration list and instructions for doing so.
  - (c) Instructions for notifying the commission of a change in name or address.
- (d) Instructions for obtaining a confidential listing under s. 6.47 (2) and a description of how an individual qualifies for a confidential listing.
- (7) Any individual may file a request with the commission to exclude his or her name from the registration list maintained under s. 6.36 (1) (a). Any individual whose name is added to the registration list by the commission may file a request with the commission or a municipal clerk to have his or her name deleted from the list. A request for exclusion or deletion shall be filed in the manner prescribed by the commission. An individual who files an exclusion or deletion request under this subsection may revoke his or her request by the same means that an individual may request an exclusion or deletion. The commission shall ensure that the name of any

individual who has filed an exclusion or deletion request under this subsection is excluded from the registration list or, if the individual's name appears on the list, is removed from the registration list and is not added to the list at any subsequent time unless the individual files a revocation of his or her request under this subsection.

- (8) If the commission removes from the registration list maintained under s. 6.36 (1) (a) the name of an elector who does not request that his or her name be deleted, or changes the elector's status from eligible to ineligible, other than to correct an entry that the commission determines to be a duplication or to change the name of an individual who is verified to be deceased to ineligible status, the commission shall mail the individual a notice of the removal or change in status by 1st class postcard at the individual's last-known address. The notice shall provide that the individual may apply to have his or her status changed to eligible if he or she is a qualified elector.
- (9) The commission shall attempt to facilitate the initial registration of all eligible electors as soon as practicable.
- (10) The commission shall maintain the confidentiality of all information obtained from the department of transportation under sub. (2) and may use this information only for the purpose of carrying out its functions under sub. (1) and s. 6.34 (2m) and in accordance with the agreement under s. 85.61 (1).

**SECTION 180.** 16.971 (2) (o) of the statutes is created to read:

16.971 (2) (a) Assist the elections commission with information technology

systems development for purposes of facilitating the registration of eligible electors under s. 6.256.

**SECTION 181.** 85.61 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

85.61 (1) The secretary of transportation and the administrator of the elections commission shall enter into an agreement to match personally identifiable information on the official registration list maintained by the commission under s. 6.36 (1) and the information specified in s. ss. 6.256 (2) and 6.34 (2m) with personally identifiable information in the operating record file database under ch. 343 and vehicle registration records under ch. 341 to the extent required to enable the secretary of transportation and the administrator of the elections commission to verify the accuracy of the information provided for the purpose of voter registration. Notwithstanding ss. 110.09 (2), 342.06 (1) (eg), and 343.14 (2j), but subject to s. 343.14 (2p) (b), the agreement shall provide for the transfer of electronic information under s. 6.256 (2) to the commission on a continuous basis, no less often than weekly.

**SECTION 182.** 343.14 (2p) of the statutes is created to read:

343.14 (**2p**) (a) The forms for application for a license or identification card or for renewal thereof shall inform the applicant of the department's duty to make available to the elections commission the information described in s. 6.256 (2) for the purposes specified in s. 6.256 (1) and (3) and shall provide the applicant an opportunity to elect not to have this information made available for these purposes.

(b) If the applicant elects not to have the information described in s. 6.256 (2) made available for the purposes specified in s. 6.256 (1) and (3), the department

may not make this information available for these purposes. This paragraph does not preclude the department from making available to the elections commission information for the purposes specified in s. 6.34 (2m) or for any purpose other than those specified in s. 6.256 (1) and (3).

#### SECTION 9112. Nonstatutory provisions; Elections Commission.

- (1) INITIAL SHARING OF REGISTRATION INFORMATION. Notwithstanding ss. 85.61 (1), 110.09 (2), 342.06 (1) (eg), and 343.14 (2j), the department of transportation shall enter into and begin transferring information under a revised agreement with the elections commission administrator pursuant to s. 85.61 (1) no later than the first day of the 9th month beginning after the effective date of this subsection.
- (2) Report on voter registration information integration. No later than July 1, 2027, the elections commission shall report to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature, in the manner specified in s. 13.172 (3), and to the governor its progress in initially implementing a system to ensure the complete and continuous registration of all eligible electors in this state, specifically including the operability and utility of information integration with the department of transportation and the feasibility and desirability of integrating public information maintained by other state agencies and by technical colleges with the commission's registration information to enhance the completeness and accuracy of the information. At a minimum, the report shall contain an assessment of the feasibility and desirability of the integration of registration information with information maintained by the departments of health services, children and

families, workforce development, revenue, safety and professional services, and natural resources; the University of Wisconsin System; and the technical college system board, as well as the technical colleges within each technical college district.".

**52.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 183.** 5.35 (6) (a) 4c. of the statutes is created to read:

5.35 (6) (a) 4c. A voter bill of rights in substantially the following form:

#### **VOTER BILL OF RIGHTS**

#### You have the following rights:

- The right to vote if you are registered and eligible to vote. You are eligible to vote if you (1) are a U.S. citizen, (2) are at least 18 years old, (3) are registered where you currently live, (4) are not currently serving any portion of a felony sentence, including probation or supervision, (5) are not currently found mentally incompetent to vote by a court, and (6) have not placed a bet or a wager on the outcome of the election.
  - The right to inspect a sample ballot before voting.
- The right to cast a ballot if you are in line when your polling place closes or when your municipal clerk's office closes if you are voting by in-person absentee ballot on the last day for which such voting is allowed.
- The right to cast a secret ballot, without anyone bothering you or telling you how to vote.
- If you have a disability, the right to get help casting your ballot from anyone you choose, except from your employer or union representative.

- The right to get help voting in a language other than English if enough voters where you live speak your language.
- The right to get a new ballot if you made a mistake. You can get up to 3 ballots in all if you make a mistake and have not already cast your ballot.
- The right to cast a provisional ballot. You are entitled to cast a provisional ballot if, when registering to vote on election day, you cannot or will not provide required proof of identification for voting or a valid driver's license or identification card number or, while already registered to vote, you cannot or will not provide required proof of identification for voting. Your provisional ballot will be counted only if you provide the required information or proof of identification to the poll workers by 8:00 p.m. on election day or to the municipal clerk by 4:00 p.m. on the Friday following the election.
  - The right to have your ballot counted accurately.
- The right to vote free from coercion or intimidation by any election official or other person.
- The right to report any illegal or fraudulent election activity to an elections official or the State of Wisconsin Elections Commission.".
  - **53.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 184. 13.48 (20v) of the statutes is renumbered 16.095, and 16.095 (1), (2), (3), (4) and (5), as renumbered, are amended to read:

16.095 (1) The building commission department shall establish and operate a grant program under this subsection section to assist nonstate organizations and cities, villages, towns, counties, and tribal governments to carry out construction

projects having a statewide public purpose, as determined by the building commission or as specified in subs. (6) to (14).

- (2) From the appropriation under s. 20.867 (3) (x) 20.505 (1) (aw), the building commission department may award a grant to any nonstate organization for a construction project that satisfies par. (a) having a statewide public purpose, as determined by the building commission under sub. (1) or as specified in sub. (7) (a), (8) (a), (9) (a), (10) (a), (11) (a), or (14) (a), if the grant is approved by the building commission.
- (3) Before approving each grant <u>under sub.</u> (2) or (6), the building commission shall determine that the nonstate organization <u>or city, village, town, county, or tribal government</u> carrying out the project has secured additional funding for the project from nonstate revenue sources in an amount that is equal to at least half of the total cost of the project.
- (4) If the building commission department awards a grant under par. (b) sub. (2), and if, for any reason, the space that is constructed or otherwise improved with funds from the grant is not used for one or more public purposes determined by the building commission under par. (a) sub. (1), or for the grants described in subs. (6) to (14), the public purposes specified in those subsections, the state shall retain an ownership interest in the constructed or otherwise improved space equal to the amount of the state's grant.
- (5) The building commission department is prohibited from awarding a grant under par. (b) sub. (2) or (6) unless the department of administration has reviewed and approved plans for the construction project associated with the grant. Notwithstanding ss. 16.85 (1) and 16.855 (1m), the department of administration is

prohibited from supervising any services or work or letting any contract for the project. Section 16.87 does not apply to the project.

**SECTION 185.** 16.095 (6) to (14) of the statutes are created to read:

16.095 (6) (a) The legislature finds and determines that providing assistance to local governments to construct facilities that provide public services to help citizens of the state is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to provide the department with the authority to award grants to any city, village, town, county, or tribal government for construction projects of public buildings.

- (b) From the appropriation under s. 20.505 (1) (r), the department may award grants to cities, villages, towns, counties, and tribal governments to assist with construction projects, as specified in par. (a), or as specified in sub. (11) (a), (12) (a), or (13) (a), if the grant is approved by the building commission.
- (7) (a) The legislature finds and determines that providing assistance to local communities to provide facilities and services to help citizens of the state overcome life circumstances and to improve the ability of local communities to address homelessness is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist the New Community Shelter, Inc., in the construction of a permanent supportive housing facility in Brown County.
- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (2) of up to \$4,000,000 to assist the New Community Shelter, Inc., in the construction of a facility, as described in par. (a).
  - (8) (a) The legislature finds and determines that providing out-of-school care

that inspires local youth to be contributing, productive, and responsible members of their communities through intentional programming that supports positive character development and unique opportunities to grow as individuals, while addressing a shortage of dental care, mental health services, and preventative health services for youth of underserved populations is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee, Inc., and Community Smiles Dental in carrying out renovation of the historic Wisconsin Avenue School in the city of Milwaukee for use as a health and wellness center.

- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (2) of up to \$6,000,000 to assist the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee, Inc., and Community Smiles Dental in the renovation of the Wisconsin Avenue School, as described in par. (a).
- (9) (a) The legislature finds and determines that assisting local communities to provide facilities and services to help citizens of the state overcome life circumstances and to improve the ability of local communities to address food insecurity and enhance equitable access to nutritious food is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist the Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin, Inc., in constructing a new facility to expand food processing, storage, and distribution.
- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (2) of up to \$15,000,000 to assist the Second Harvest Foodbank of Southern Wisconsin, Inc., in the construction of a facility, described in par. (a)

- (10) (a) The legislature finds and determines that preserving Wisconsin's transportation heritage, expanding historical educational programs, and enhancing the state's tourism, thereby strengthening local economies is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist the Colfax Railroad Museum, Inc., in constructing and renovating museum facilities in the village of Colfax to protect and display historical railroad artifacts.
- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (2) of up to \$860,000 to assist the Colfax Railroad Museum, Inc., in the construction and renovation of museum facilities, as described in par. (a).
- (11) (a) The legislature finds and determines that enhancing tourism to the state, thereby strengthening local economies is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist the city of Green Bay in the construction and development of a public market.
- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (6) of up to \$3,000,000 to assist the city of Green Bay in the construction and development of a public market, as described in par. (a).
- (12) (a) The legislature finds that increasing access to learning materials in communities across the state will enhance and enrich the state's workforce, thereby strengthening the state's economy and increasing the resilience of the state's citizens. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to assist the city of Glendale in the construction of a new library that will serve the

communities of Bayside, Fox Point, Glendale, and River Hills, as well as all of Milwaukee County through the Milwaukee County Federated Library System.

- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (6) of up to \$4,250,000 to assist the city of Glendale in the construction of a new public library, as described in par. (a).
- (13) (a) The legislature finds and determines that providing child care and out-of-school care that addresses provider shortages or assists meeting the demand for child care services in rural or remote areas in this state, thereby equipping the state's workforce to fully engage in the state's economy, is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to provide \$2,000,000 to a nonstate organization or a city, village, town, county, or tribal government in this state for the purchase, construction, or renovation of a child care center in the southwest region of the state.
- (b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (2) or (6) of up to \$2,000,000 to assist in the construction, development, or renovation of a child care center, as described in par. (a).
- (14) (a) The legislature finds and determines that providing early child education and care that addresses provider shortages or assists meeting the demand for early child education services in areas of need equips the state's workforce to fully engage in the state's economy and is a statewide responsibility of statewide dimension. It is therefore in the public interest, and it is the public policy of this state, to provide \$2,500,000 to Wellpoint Care Network, Inc., to assist in

renovating an existing facility in the city of Milwaukee to establish a child care center.

(b) The building commission may approve and the department may award a grant under sub. (2) of up to \$2,500,000 to Wellpoint Care Network, Inc., to assist in the renovation of a facility, as described in par. (a).

**SECTION 186.** 20.505 (1) (aw) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (aw) *Grants for local projects*. As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for grants awarded under s. 16.095 to assist nonstate organizations to carry out construction projects having a statewide public purpose.

**SECTION 187.** 20.505 (1) (r) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (r) Local construction project grants. From the local government fund, as a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for grants awarded under s. 16.095 (6) to assist cities, villages, towns, counties, and tribal governments to carry out construction projects having a statewide public purpose.

**SECTION 188.** 25.491 (13) of the statutes is created to read:

25.491 (13) There is established in the local government fund a separate account that is designated the "local construction project grants account" to make the payments under s. 16.095 (6). All interest earnings of the local government fund shall be credited to this account.".

**54.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

### "SECTION 9101. Nonstatutory provisions; Administration.

(1) Position authorization; division of intergovernmental relations. The authorized FTE positions for the department of administration are increased by 5.0 GPR positions funded from the appropriation under s. 20.505 (1) (a) to create

a grant resource team within the division of intergovernmental relations in the department of administration.

#### SECTION 9201. Fiscal changes; Administration.

- (1) GENERAL PROGRAM OPERATIONS; DIVISION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of administration under s. 20.505 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$361,000 and the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$461,400 to fund a grant resource team within the division of intergovernmental relations in the department of administration, which would be responsible for assisting local governments in navigating state and federal grant application processes."
  - **55.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 189. 238.127 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 238.127 (1) (bm) and amended to read:

238.127 (1) (bm) "Business area" means a commercial area existing at the time services under the state main street program are requested and having historic significance downtown area or historic commercial district.

**SECTION 190.** 238.127 (1) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 238.127 (1) (am) and amended to read:

238.127 (1) (am) "Municipality Applicant" means a city, village or, town, tribal government, chamber of commerce, or nonprofit organization.

**SECTION 191.** 238.127 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 (2) (intro.) The corporation shall establish and administer a state main street program to coordinate state and local participation in programs offered

by the national main street center, created by the national trust for historic preservation, to assist <u>municipalities applicants</u> in planning, managing and implementing programs for the revitalization of business areas. The corporation shall do all of the following:

**SECTION 192.** 238.127 (2) (a) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 193.** 238.127 (2) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 194.** 238.127 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 (2) (d) Coordinate with other state and local public and private entities which provide services to municipalities applicants undertaking projects for the revitalization of business areas.

**SECTION 195.** 238.127 (2) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 (2) (e) Annually select, upon application, up to 5 municipalities applicants to participate in the state main street program. The program for each municipality applicant shall conclude after 3 years, except that the program for each municipality applicant selected after July 29, 1995, shall conclude after 5 years. The corporation shall select program participants representing various geographical regions and populations. A municipality An applicant may apply to participate, and the corporation may select a municipality an applicant for participation, more than one time. In selecting a municipality an applicant, however, the corporation may give priority to those municipalities applicants that have not previously participated.

**SECTION 196.** 238.127 (2) (f) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 (2) (f) (intro.) For use in selecting the participants in the state main

street program under par. (e), develop objective criteria relating to evaluate and consider at least the following issues:

**SECTION 197.** 238.127 (2) (f) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 (2) (f) 1. Private and public sector interest in and commitment to revitalization of a business area selected by the municipality applicant.

**SECTION 198.** 238.127 (2) (f) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 **(2)** (f) 2. Potential private sector investment in a business area selected by the municipality applicant.

**SECTION 199.** 238.127 (2) (f) 3. of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 200.** 238.127 (2) (f) 3m. of the statutes is created to read:

238.127 (2) (f) 3m. Potential to retain small businesses in the business area selected by the applicant.

**SECTION 201.** 238.127 (2) (f) 4. of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 202.** 238.127 (2) (f) 4m. of the statutes is created to read:

238.127 (2) (f) 4m. Potential to attract new businesses to the business area selected by the applicant.

**SECTION 203.** 238.127 (2) (f) 5. of the statutes is repealed.

**SECTION 204.** 238.127 (2) (f) 5m. of the statutes is created to read:

238.127 (2) (f) 5m. Potential to generate new economic activity and grow the tax base in the business area selected by the applicant.

**SECTION 205.** 238.127 (2) (f) 6. of the statutes is created to read:

238.127 (2) (f) 6. Potential to create employment opportunities in the business area selected by the applicant.

**SECTION 206.** 238.127 (2) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

238.127 (2) (h) Provide training, technical assistance and information on the revitalization of business areas to municipalities applicants which do not participate in the state main street program. The corporation may charge reasonable fees for the services and information provided under this paragraph.".

**56.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

# "SECTION 9149. Nonstatutory provisions; Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

(1) Thrive Rural Wisconsin Funding accessibility. Notwithstanding the cap on expenditures specified in s. 20.192 (1) (a), in fiscal year 2025-26, the amount the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may expend from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (a) is increased by \$5,000,000 for the purpose of supporting the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation's Thrive Rural Wisconsin program. The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation shall provide funding to its established regional and tribal partners to develop and fund projects in nonmetropolitan municipalities with populations of less than 10,000 to provide for increased availability and accessibility of local project capital."

**57.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

# "SECTION 9149. Nonstatutory provisions; Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

(1) TRIBAL ENTERPRISE ACCELERATOR PROGRAM. Notwithstanding the cap on expenditures specified in s. 20.192 (1) (a), in fiscal year 2025-26, the amount the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may expend from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (a) is increased by \$5,000,000 for the purpose of creating a tribal

enterprise accelerator program to offer statewide technical assistance and grants for community development investment and capacity building to American Indian tribes or bands in this state to diversify their revenue strategies in industries other than the gaming and entertainment industries.".

## **58.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

# "SECTION 9149. Nonstatutory provisions; Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

**(1)** ADVANCED MANUFACTURING GRANTS. Notwithstanding the cap on expenditures specified in s. 20.192 (1) (a), in fiscal year 2025-26, the amount the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may expend from the appropriation under s. 20.192 (1) (a) is increased by \$5,000,000 for the purpose of establishing a program to award matching grants to small and midsized manufacturing companies located in this state to invest in advanced manufacturing technologies. No one company may receive more than \$200,000 in grants under this subsection, and no one grant under this subsection may be for an amount that is more than onethird of the amount invested in advanced manufacturing technologies by the company. To receive a grant under this subsection, a company must commit to not reduce its employment below the level when the grant is awarded. If within 10 years after receiving a grant under this subsection the company that receives the grant fails to meet this commitment, the company shall repay the grant amount to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation. The Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation may provide an exemption to the repayment requirement under this subsection if it finds that the company has undergone a unique hardship.".

## **59.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

### "SECTION 9243. Fiscal changes; Tourism.

- (1) OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION; FTE POSITIONS. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$218,000 to provide funding for 3.0 FTE positions for the office of outdoor recreation. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$218,000 to provide funding for 3.0 FTE positions for the office of outdoor recreation.
- (2) OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION; SUPPLIES AND SERVICES. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$36,000 to provide supplies and services for the office of outdoor recreation. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (1) (a), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$36,000 to provide supplies and services for the office of outdoor recreation.".

# **60.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

## "SECTION 9244. Fiscal changes; Transportation.

(1) EMPLOYMENT TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (bs), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is adjusted to \$999,100. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of

transportation under s. 20.395 (1) (bs), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is adjusted to \$1,198,900.".

**61.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

## "SECTION 9144. Nonstatutory provisions; Transportation.

- (1) PRIORITIZATION OF LOCAL BRIDGE AND CULVERT ASSESSMENT IN CERTAIN GRANTS. During the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, the department of transportation shall designate 10 percent of moneys appropriated under s. 20.395 (2) (fd) and 10 percent of the moneys appropriated under s. 20.395 (2) (fc) and (fu) for grants for improvements to bridges or culverts identified as being in poor or worse condition in local bridge and culvert assessments performed under s. 85.64. The department of transportation shall establish criteria for evaluating the suitability of projects for which applications are made under s. 86.31 (30) and (3s) for the moneys designated under this subsection. If the department does not receive sufficient complete grant applications meeting the criteria under this subsection in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium, the moneys designated under this subsection shall be available for any other purpose for which the moneys were appropriated.".
  - **62.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

## "SECTION 9206. Fiscal changes; Children and Families.

- (1) MILWAUKEE CHILD WELFARE AIDS PAYMENT AND CONTRACTED SERVICES.
- (a) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$11,882,600 to fund Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services aids payments and contracted services. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3)

for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$11,209,800 to fund Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services aids payments and contracted services.

- (b) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (mw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$463,300 to fund Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services aids payments and contracted services. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$211,500 to fund Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services aids payments and contracted services.
- (c) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (gx), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is decreased by \$821,000 for Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services aids payments and contracted services. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is decreased by \$821,000 for Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services aids payments and contracted services."
  - **63.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

### "SECTION 9206. Fiscal changes; Children and Families.

- (1) MILWAUKEE CHILD WELFARE AIDS PAYMENT AND CONTRACTED SERVICES.
- (a) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year

2025-26 is increased by \$141,200 to support improved services from Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$188,200 to support improved services from Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services.

(b) In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (mw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$12,200 to support improved services from Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of children and families under s. 20.437 (1) (cw), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$16,300 to support improved services from Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services.".

# **64.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 207. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2025-26 2026-27

## 20.395 Transportation, department of

- (2) LOCAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE
  - (ja) Local traffic calming grants GPR C 60,000,000 -0-SECTION 208. 20.395 (2) (ja) of the statutes is created to read:

20.395 (2) (ja) *Local traffic calming grants*. From the general fund, as a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for the local traffic calming grant program under s. 85.024.

**SECTION 209.** 85.024 of the statutes is created to read:

85.024 Local traffic calming grants. The department shall develop and administer a local traffic calming grant program. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (2) (ja), the department shall award grants to counties, cities, villages, and towns for infrastructure projects that are eligible for funding under the federal transportation alternatives program and that are designed to reduce the speed of vehicular traffic. The department shall prescribe the form, nature, and extent of information that shall be contained in applications for grants under this section and shall establish criteria for evaluating applications and for awarding grants under this section."

**65.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 210.** 20.866 (2) (uw) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.866 (2) (uw) Transportation; rail acquisitions and improvements and intermodal freight facilities. From the capital improvement fund, a sum sufficient for the department of transportation to acquire railroad property under ss. 85.08 (2) (L) and 85.09; to provide grants and loans for rail property acquisitions and improvements under s. 85.08 (4m) (c) and (d); and to provide intermodal freight facilities grants under s. 85.093. The state may contract public debt in an amount not to exceed \$250,300,000 \$305,300,000 for these purposes. The state may contract additional public debt in an amount up to \$30,000,000 for these purposes. The state may contract additional public debt in an amount up to \$20,000,000 for these purposes."

**66.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 211.** 84.185 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

84.185 (3) (a) 2. Five <u>Fifteen</u> thousand dollars for each job retained or created in this state resulting directly from the improvement or economic development project.

**SECTION 212.** 85.52 (3) (am) of the statutes is created to read:

85.52 (3) (am) If the department finds that special circumstances exist, the department may award to an eligible applicant for a loan or other assistance under par. (a) totalling \$100,000 or more a grant for the purpose of engaging a certified public accountant licensed or certified under ch. 442 to make any certifications or attestations required by the department as a condition of receiving a loan or other assistance under par. (a)."

**67.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 213.** 66.1011 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

opportunities for housing regardless of their sex, race, color, disability, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (g), sexual orientation, as defined in s. 111.32 (13m), religion, national origin, marital status, family status, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (k), status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), lawful source of income, age, or ancestry is a matter both of statewide concern under ss. 101.132 and 106.50 and also of local interest under this section and s. 66.0125. The enactment of ss. 101.132 and 106.50 by the legislature does not preempt the subject matter of equal opportunities in housing from consideration by political

subdivisions, and does not exempt political subdivisions from their duty, nor deprive them of their right, to enact ordinances that prohibit discrimination in any type of housing solely on the basis of an individual being a member of a protected class.

**SECTION 214.** 66.1201 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1201 (2m) DISCRIMINATION. Persons otherwise entitled to any right, benefit, facility, or privilege under ss. 66.1201 to 66.1211 may not be denied the right, benefit, facility, or privilege in any manner for any purpose nor be discriminated against because of sex, race, color, creed, <u>national origin</u>, sexual orientation, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), or <u>national origin</u> status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 215.** 66.1213 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1213 (3) DISCRIMINATION. Persons otherwise entitled to any right, benefit, facility, or privilege under this section may not be denied the right, benefit, facility, or privilege in any manner for any purpose nor be discriminated against because of sex, race, color, creed, <u>national origin</u>, sexual orientation, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), or <u>national origin</u> status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 216.** 66.1301 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1301 (2m) DISCRIMINATION. Persons entitled to any right, benefit, facility, or privilege under ss. 66.1301 to 66.1329 may not be denied the right, benefit, facility, or privilege in any manner for any purpose nor be discriminated against

because of sex, race, color, creed, <u>national origin</u>, sexual orientation, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), or <u>national origin</u> status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 217.** 66.1333 (3) (e) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1333 (3) (e) 2. Persons otherwise entitled to any right, benefit, facility, or privilege under this section may not be denied the right, benefit, facility, or privilege in any manner for any purpose nor be discriminated against because of sex, race, color, creed, <u>national origin</u>, sexual orientation, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), or <u>national origin</u> status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 218.** 86.195 (5) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.195 (5) (c) Conformity with discrimination laws. Each business identified as a motorist service on a specific information sign shall, as a condition of eligibility for erection, installation and maintenance of a sign under this section, give written assurance to the department that the business conforms with all applicable laws concerning the provisions of public accommodations without regard to race, religion, color, sex ex, national origin, or status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 219.** 106.50 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.50 (1) INTENT. It is the intent of this section to render unlawful discrimination in housing. It is the declared policy of this state that all persons shall have an equal opportunity for housing regardless of sex, race, color, sexual

orientation, disability, religion, national origin, marital status, family status, <u>status</u> as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, lawful source of income, age, or ancestry and it is the duty of the political subdivisions to assist in the orderly prevention or removal of all discrimination in housing through the powers granted under ss. 66.0125 and 66.1011. The legislature hereby extends the state law governing equal housing opportunities to cover single-family residences that are owner-occupied. The legislature finds that the sale and rental of single-family residences constitute a significant portion of the housing business in this state and should be regulated. This section shall be considered an exercise of the police powers of the state for the protection of the welfare, health, peace, dignity, and human rights of the people of this state.

**SECTION 220.** 106.50 (1m) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.50 (1m) (h) "Discriminate" means to segregate, separate, exclude, or treat a person or class of persons unequally in a manner described in sub. (2), (2m), or (2r) because of sex, race, color, sexual orientation, disability, religion, national origin, marital status, family status, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, lawful source of income, age, or ancestry.

**SECTION 221.** 106.50 (1m) (nm) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.50 (1m) (nm) "Member of a protected class" means a group of natural persons, or a natural person, who may be categorized because of sex, race, color, disability, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, marital status, family

status, <u>status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r)</u>, status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual abuse, or stalking, lawful source of income, age, or ancestry.

**SECTION 222.** 106.50 (5m) (f) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

106.50 (**5m**) (f) 1. Nothing in this section prohibits an owner or agent from requiring that a person who seeks to buy or rent housing supply information concerning family status, and marital, financial, and business status but not concerning race, color, disability, sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, religion, creed, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, or, subject to subd. 2., age.

**SECTION 223.** 106.52 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

106.52 (3) (a) 1. Deny to another or charge another a higher price than the regular rate for the full and equal enjoyment of any public place of accommodation or amusement because of sex, race, color, creed, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry or because a person holds or does not hold a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 224.** 106.52 (3) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

106.52 (3) (a) 2. Give preferential treatment to some classes of persons in providing services or facilities in any public place of accommodation or amusement because of sex, race, color, creed, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry or because a person holds or does not hold a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 225.** 106.52 (3) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

106.52 (3) (a) 3. Directly or indirectly publish, circulate, display or mail any written communication which the communicator knows is to the effect that any of the facilities of any public place of accommodation or amusement will be denied to any person by reason of sex, race, color, creed, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry or because a person holds or does not hold a license under s. 343.03 (3r) or that the patronage of a person is unwelcome, objectionable or unacceptable for any of those reasons.

**SECTION 226.** 106.52 (3) (a) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

106.52 (3) (a) 4. Refuse to furnish or charge another a higher rate for any automobile insurance because of race, color, creed, disability, national origin, or ancestry or because a person holds or does not hold a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 227.** 106.52 (3) (a) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

106.52 (3) (a) 5. Refuse to rent, charge a higher price than the regular rate or give preferential treatment, because of sex, race, color, creed, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry or because a person holds or does not hold a license under s. 343.03 (3r), regarding the use of any private facilities commonly rented to the public.

**SECTION 228.** 111.31 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

111.31 (1) The legislature finds that the practice of unfair discrimination in employment against properly qualified individuals by reason of their age, race, creed, color, disability, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, arrest record, conviction record, military service, use or nonuse of lawful products off the employer's premises during nonworking hours, or declining

to attend a meeting or to participate in any communication about religious matters or political matters, substantially and adversely affects the general welfare of the state. Employers, labor organizations, employment agencies, and licensing agencies that deny employment opportunities and discriminate in employment against properly qualified individuals solely because of their age, race, creed, color, disability, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, arrest record, conviction record, military service, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), use or nonuse of lawful products off the employer's premises during nonworking hours, or declining to attend a meeting or to participate in any communication about religious matters or political matters, deprive those individuals of the earnings that are necessary to maintain a just and decent standard of living.

### **SECTION 229.** 111.31 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

111.31 (2) It is the intent of the legislature to protect by law the rights of all individuals to obtain gainful employment and to enjoy privileges free from employment discrimination because of age, race, creed, color, disability, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, arrest record, conviction record, military service, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), use or nonuse of lawful products off the employer's premises during nonworking hours, or declining to attend a meeting or to participate in any communication about religious matters or political matters, and to encourage the full, nondiscriminatory utilization of the productive resources of the state to the benefit of the state, the family, and all the people of the state. It is the intent of the

legislature in promulgating this subchapter to encourage employers to evaluate an employee or applicant for employment based upon the individual qualifications of the employee or applicant rather than upon a particular class to which the individual may belong.

**SECTION 230.** 111.31 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

111.31 (3) In the interpretation and application of this subchapter, and otherwise, it is declared to be the public policy of the state to encourage and foster to the fullest extent practicable the employment of all properly qualified individuals regardless of age, race, creed, color, disability, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation, arrest record, conviction record, military service, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), use or nonuse of lawful products off the employer's premises during nonworking hours, or declining to attend a meeting or to participate in any communication about religious matters or political matters. Nothing in this subsection requires an affirmative action program to correct an imbalance in the work force. This subchapter shall be liberally construed for the accomplishment of this purpose.

**SECTION 231.** 111.321 of the statutes is amended to read:

111.321 Prohibited bases of discrimination. Subject to ss. 111.33 to 111.365, no employer, labor organization, employment agency, licensing agency, or other person may engage in any act of employment discrimination as specified in s. 111.322 against any individual on the basis of age, race, creed, color, disability, marital status, sex, national origin, ancestry, arrest record, conviction record, military service, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r),

use or nonuse of lawful products off the employer's premises during nonworking hours, or declining to attend a meeting or to participate in any communication about religious matters or political matters.

**SECTION 232.** 194.025 of the statutes is amended to read:

**194.025 Discrimination prohibited.** No motor carrier may engage in any practice, act or omission which results in discrimination on the basis of race, creed, sex or, national origin, or status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 233.** 224.77 (1) (o) of the statutes is amended to read:

224.77 (1) (o) In the course of practice as a mortgage banker, mortgage loan originator, or mortgage broker, except in relation to housing designed to meet the needs of elderly individuals, treat a person unequally solely because of sex, race, color, handicap, sexual orientation, as defined in s. 111.32 (13m), religion, national origin, age, or ancestry, the person's lawful source of income, or the sex, marital status, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), or status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), of the person maintaining a household.

**SECTION 234.** 230.01 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

230.01 (2) (b) It is the policy of this state to provide for equal employment opportunity by ensuring that all personnel actions including hire, tenure or term, and condition or privilege of employment be based on the ability to perform the duties and responsibilities assigned to the particular position without regard to age, race, creed or religion, color, disability, sex, national origin, ancestry, sexual

orientation, or political affiliation, or status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 235.** 230.18 of the statutes is amended to read:

230.18 Discrimination prohibited. No question in any form of application or in any evaluation used in the hiring process may be so framed as to elicit information concerning the partisan political or religious opinions or affiliations of any applicant nor may any inquiry be made concerning such opinions or affiliations and all disclosures thereof shall be discountenanced except that the director may evaluate the competence and impartiality of applicants for positions such as clinical chaplain in a state institutional program. No discriminations may be exercised in the recruitment, application, or hiring process against or in favor of any person because of the person's political or religious opinions or affiliations or because of age, sex, disability, race, color, sexual orientation, national origin, or ancestry, or status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r) except as otherwise provided.

**SECTION 236.** 234.29 of the statutes is amended to read:

234.29 Equality of occupancy and employment. The authority shall require that occupancy of housing projects assisted under this chapter be open to all regardless of sex, race, religion, sexual orientation, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u), or creed, and that contractors and subcontractors engaged in the construction of economic development or

housing projects, shall provide an equal opportunity for employment, without discrimination as to sex, race, religion, sexual orientation, or creed.

**SECTION 237.** 343.03 (3m) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.03 (3m) Noncitizen limited-term license applicant to present any license described under sub. (3) requires the license applicant to present any documentary proof specified in s. 343.14 (2) (es) 2. to 7. 1m. b. to g. or (im) 2m. b., the license shall display on the front side of the license, in addition to any legend or label described in sub. (3), a legend identifying the license as limited term or, if the license authorizes the operation of a commercial motor vehicle, as a nondomiciled license. This noncitizen limited-term license may not be renewed except as provided in s. 343.165 (4) (c). A nondomiciled license may not be issued to a resident of Canada or Mexico.

**SECTION 238.** 343.03 (3r) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.03 (3r) Real ID Noncompliant license. If any license described under sub. (3) is issued based upon the exception specified in s. 343.165 (7), the license shall, in addition to any legend or label described in sub. (3), be marked in a manner consistent with requirements under applicable federal law and regulations to indicate that the license is issued in accordance with P.L. 109-13, section 202 (d) (11), and is not intended to be accepted by any federal agency for federal identification or any other official purpose. Section 344.62 applies to a person operating a motor vehicle under the authorization of a license issued under this subsection.

**SECTION 239.** 343.14 (2) (br) of the statutes is renumbered 343.14 (2) (br) 1. and amended to read:

343.14 (2) (br) 1. If Except as provided in subd. 2., if the applicant does not have a social security number, a statement made or subscribed under oath or affirmation that the applicant does not have a social security number and is not eligible for a social security number. The statement shall provide the basis or reason that the applicant is not eligible for a social security number, as well as any information requested by the department that may be needed by the department for purposes of verification under s. 343.165 (1) (c). The form of the statement shall be prescribed by the department, with the assistance of the department of children and families. A license that is issued or renewed under s. 343.17 in reliance on a statement submitted under this paragraph subdivision is invalid if the statement is false.

**SECTION 240.** 343.14 (2) (br) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

343.14 (2) (br) 2. If the applicant does not have a social security number and the application is for an operator's license that contains the marking specified in s. 343.03 (3r) or an identification card that contains the marking specified in s. 343.50 (3) (b), a statement made or subscribed under oath or affirmation that the applicant does not have a social security number. The form of the statement shall be prescribed by the department, with the assistance of the department of children and families. A license that is issued or renewed under s. 343.17 in reliance on a statement submitted under this subdivision is invalid if the statement is false.

**SECTION 241.** 343.14 (2) (es) of the statutes is renumbered 343.14 (2) (es) 1m., and 343.14 (2) (es) 1m. (intro.), as renumbered, is amended to read:

343.14 (2) (es) 1m. (intro.) Subject to sub. (2g) (a) 2. d. and s. 343.125 (2) (a) and (b), and except as provided in subd. 2m., valid documentary proof that the individual is a citizen or national of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent or temporary residence in the United States or has any of the following:

**SECTION 242.** 343.14 (2) (es) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

343.14 (2) (es) 2m. Valid documentary proof under subd. 1m. is not required if the application is for an operator's license that contains the marking specified in s. 343.03 (3r) or an identification card that contains the marking specified in s. 343.50 (3) (b).

**SECTION 243.** 343.14 (2j) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.14 (2j) Except as otherwise required to administer and enforce this chapter, the department of transportation may not disclose a social security number obtained from an applicant for a license under sub. (2) (bm) to any person except to the department of children and families for the sole purpose of administering s. 49.22, to the department of workforce development for the sole purpose of enforcing or administering s. 108.22, to the department of revenue for the purposes of administering state taxes and collecting debt, to the driver licensing agency of another jurisdiction, or to the elections commission for the sole purpose of allowing the chief election officer to comply with the terms of the agreement under s. 6.36 (1) (ae). The department of transportation may not disclose to any person

the fact that an applicant has provided verification under s. 343.165 (7) (c) 2. that the applicant does not have a social security number, except to the elections commission for purposes of administering the agreement described in s. 5.056.

**SECTION 244.** 343.165 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (1) (c) Proof of the applicant's social security number or, except as provided in <u>sub. (7) (c) 2. and</u> s. 343.14 (2g) (a) 4., verification that the applicant is not eligible for a social security number.

**SECTION 245.** 343.165 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (1) (e) Subject to ss. 343.125 (2) (a) and (b) and 343.14 (2g) (a) 2. d., and except as provided in sub. (7) (c) 1. and s. 343.14 (2) (es) 2m., the documentary proof described in s. 343.14 (2) (es) 1m.

**SECTION 246.** 343.165 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (3) (b) The department may not accept any foreign document, other than an official passport, to satisfy a requirement under sub. (1). This paragraph does not apply to an application processed under sub. (7) (c).

**SECTION 247.** 343.165 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (3) (c) For purposes of par. (a) and sub. (1) (c), if an applicant presents a social security number that is already registered to or associated with another person, the department shall direct the applicant to investigate and take appropriate action to resolve the discrepancy and shall not issue any operator's license or identification card until the discrepancy is resolved. The department shall adopt procedures for purposes of verifying that an applicant is not eligible for

a social security number, except with respect to applications processed under sub. (7) (c).

**SECTION 248.** 343.165 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (4) (b) The department shall establish an effective procedure to confirm or verify an applicant's information for purposes of any application described in par. (a). The procedure shall include verification of the applicant's social security number or, except with respect to applications processed under sub. (7) (c), ineligibility for a social security number.

**SECTION 249.** 343.165 (4) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (4) (d) With any license or identification card renewal following a license or identification card expiration established under s. 343.20 (1m) or 343.50 (5) (bm) or (c) at other than an 8-year interval, the department may determine whether the applicant's photograph is to be taken, or if the renewal is for a license the applicant is to be examined, or both, at the time of such renewal, so long as the applicant's photograph is taken, and if the renewal is for a license the applicant is examined, with a license or card renewal at least once every 8 years and the applicant's license or identification card at all times includes a photograph unless an exception under s. 343.14 (3m) or 343.50 (4g) applies.

**SECTION 250.** 343.165 (7) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.165 (7) (a) (intro.) The Subject to par. (c), the department may process an application for, and issue or renew, an operator's license or identification card without meeting the requirements under subs. (2) and (3) if all of the following apply:

**SECTION 251.** 343.165 (7) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

343.165 (7) (c) 1. Notwithstanding s. 343.14 (2) (f), in processing an application for, and issuing or renewing, an operator's license that contains the marking specified in s. 343.03 (3r) or an identification card that contains the marking specified in s. 343.50 (3) (b), the department may not include any question or require any proof or documentation as to whether the applicant is a citizen or national of the United States or lawfully present in the United States.

- 2. For an application processed under this paragraph, if the applicant does not provide proof of the applicant's social security number, the applicant shall provide verification, in the manner described in s. 343.14 (2) (br) 2., that the applicant does not have a social security number.
- 3. Notwithstanding sub. (1) (a), for an application processed under this paragraph, an applicant may provide an individual taxpayer identification number, a foreign passport, or any other documentation deemed acceptable to the department, in lieu of the documentation required under sub. (1) (a).
- 4. Notwithstanding sub. (1) (b) and (d), for an application processed under this paragraph, an applicant may provide any documentation deemed acceptable to the department, in lieu of the documentation required under sub. (1) (b) or (d).

**SECTION 252.** 343.17 (3) (a) 16. of the statutes is created to read:

343.17 (3) (a) 16. If the license is marked as provided in s. 343.03 (3r) and the license applicant did not provide a verified social security number with the license application, the words "Not valid for voting purposes. Not evidence of citizenship or immigration status."

**SECTION 253.** 343.20 (1) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.20 (1) (f) The department shall cancel an operator's license, regardless of the license expiration date, if the department receives information from a local, state, or federal government agency that the licensee no longer satisfies the requirements for issuance of a license under ss. 343.14 (2) (es) <u>1m.</u> and 343.165 (1) (e). <u>This paragraph does not apply to an operator's license if the license application</u> was processed under s. 343.165 (7) (c).

**SECTION 254.** 343.20 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.20 (1m) Notwithstanding sub. (1) (a), and except as provided in s. 343.165 (4) (c) and as otherwise provided in this subsection, a license that is issued to a person who is not a United States citizen or permanent resident and who provides documentary proof of legal status as provided under s. 343.14 (2) (es) 2., 4., 5., 6., or 7. 1m. b., d., e., f., or g. shall expire on the date that the person's legal presence in the United States is no longer authorized or on the expiration date determined under sub. (1), whichever date is earlier. If the documentary proof as provided under s. 343.14 (2) (es) 1m. does not state the date that the person's legal presence in the United States is no longer authorized, sub. (1) shall apply except that, if the license was issued or renewed based upon the person's presenting of any documentary proof specified in s. 343.14 (2) (es) -4. to 7. 1m. d. to g., the license shall, subject to s. 343.165 (4) (c), expire one year after the date of issuance or renewal. This subsection does not apply to a license that contains the marking specified in s. 343.03 (3r).

**SECTION 255.** 343.20 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.20 (2) (a) At least 30 days prior to the expiration of an operator's license, the department shall provide to the licensee notice of renewal of the license either by mail at the licensee's last-known address or, if desired by the licensee, by any electronic means offered by the department. If the license was issued or last renewed based upon the person's presenting of any documentary proof specified in s. 343.14 (2) (es) -4. to 7. 1m. d. to g., the notice shall inform the licensee of the requirement under s. 343.165 (4) (c).

**SECTION 256.** 343.50 (3) (a) and (b) of the statutes are amended to read:

343.50 (3) (a) The card shall be the same size as an operator's license but shall be of a design which is readily distinguishable from the design of an operator's license and bear upon it the words "IDENTIFICATION CARD ONLY." The information on the card shall be the same as specified under s. 343.17 (3). If the issuance of the card requires the applicant to present any documentary proof specified in s. 343.14 (2) (es) 4. to 7. 1m. d. to g., the card shall display, on the front side of the card, a legend identifying the card as temporary. The card shall contain physical security features consistent with any requirement under federal law. The card may serve as a record of gift under s. 157.06 (2) (t) and the holder may affix a sticker thereto as provided in s. 343.175 (3). The card may also serve as a record of refusal under s. 157.06 (2) (u). Except as provided in sub. (4g), the card shall contain the holder's photograph and, if applicable, shall be of the design specified under s. 343.17 (3) (a) 12.

(b) If an identification card is issued based upon the exception specified in s. 343.165 (7) or (8), the card shall, in addition to any other required legend or design,

be of the design specified under s. 343.17 (3) (a) 14. and include a marking similar or identical to the marking described in s. 343.03 (3r) and, if applicable, the words specified in s. 343.17 (3) (a) 16.

**SECTION 257.** 343.50 (5) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.50 (5) (b) Except as provided in pars. (bm), (c), and (d) and s. 343.165 (4) (c), an original or reinstated card shall be valid for the succeeding period of 8 years from the applicant's next birthday after the date of issuance, and a renewed card shall be valid for the succeeding period of 8 years from the card's last expiration date.

**SECTION 258.** 343.50 (5) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:

343.50 (5) (bm) Notwithstanding par. (d), if the identification card application was processed under s. 343.165 (7) (c) and the applicant did not provide a verified social security number, an original or reinstated card shall be valid for the succeeding period of 2 years from the applicant's next birthday after the date of issuance, and a renewed card shall be valid for the succeeding period of 2 years from the card's last expiration date.

**SECTION 259.** 343.50 (5) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.50 (5) (c) Except as provided in s. 343.165 (4) (c) and as otherwise provided in this paragraph, an identification card that is issued to a person who is not a United States citizen and who provides documentary proof of legal status as provided under s. 343.14 (2) (es) <u>1m.</u> shall expire on the date that the person's legal presence in the United States is no longer authorized or on the expiration date determined under par. (b), whichever date is earlier. If the documentary proof as

provided under s. 343.14 (2) (es) 1m. does not state the date that the person's legal presence in the United States is no longer authorized, then the card shall be valid for the period specified in par. (b) except that, if the card was issued or renewed based upon the person's presenting of any documentary proof specified in s. 343.14 (2) (es) -4. to 7. 1m. d. to g., the card shall, subject to s. 343.165 (4) (c), expire one year after the date of issuance or renewal. This paragraph does not apply to an identification card that contains the marking specified in sub. (3) (b).

**SECTION 260.** 343.50 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.50 (6) RENEWAL NOTICE. At least 30 days prior to the expiration of an identification card, the department shall provide to the card holder notice of renewal of the card either by mail at the card holder's last-known address or, if desired by the card holder, by any electronic means offered by the department. If the card was issued or last renewed based upon the person's presenting of any documentary proof specified in s. 343.14 (2) (es) 4. to 7. 1m. d. to g., the notice shall inform the card holder of the requirement under s. 343.165 (4) (c). The department shall include with the notice information, as developed by all organ procurement organizations in cooperation with the department, that promotes anatomical donations and which relates to the anatomical donation opportunity available under s. 343.175. The department may renew an identification card by mail or by any electronic means available to the department, but the department may not make consecutive renewals by mail or electronic means.

**SECTION 261.** 343.50 (8) (c) 6. of the statutes is created to read:

343.50 (8) (c) 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of par. (b) and this

paragraph, the department may not disclose to any person the fact that an applicant has provided verification under s. 343.165 (7) (c) 2. that the applicant does not have a social security number, except to the elections commission for purposes of administering the agreement described in s. 5.056.

**SECTION 262.** 343.50 (10) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

343.50 (10) (c) Whenever the department receives information from a local, state, or federal government agency that the card holder no longer satisfies the requirements for issuance of a card under ss. 343.14 (2) (es) 1m. and 343.165 (1) (e). A card cancelled under this paragraph may not be reinstated under sub. (5) until these requirements are again satisfied. This paragraph does not apply to a card if the card application was processed under s. 343.165 (7) (c).

**SECTION 263.** 452.14 (3) (n) of the statutes is amended to read:

452.14 (3) (n) Treated any person unequally solely because of sex, race, color, handicap, national origin, ancestry, marital status, lawful source of income, status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r), or status as a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (u).

**SECTION 264.** 632.35 of the statutes is amended to read:

632.35 Prohibited rejection, cancellation and nonrenewal. No insurer may cancel or refuse to issue or renew an automobile insurance policy wholly or partially because of one or more of the following characteristics of any person: age, sex, residence, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, marital status or, occupation, or status as a holder or nonholder of a license under s. 343.03 (3r).

SECTION 9344. Initial applicability; Transportation.

(1) Noncitizen driver's licenses. The treatment of ss. 66.1011 (1), 66.1201 (2m), 66.1213 (3), 66.1301 (2m), 66.1333 (3) (e) 2., 86.195 (5) (c), 106.50 (1), (1m) (h) and (nm), and (5m) (f) 1., 106.52 (3) (a) 1., 2., 3., 4., and 5., 111.31 (1), (2), and (3), 111.321, 194.025, 224.77 (1) (o), 230.01 (2) (b), 230.18, 234.29, 343.03 (3m) and (3r), 343.14 (2j), 343.165 (1) (c) and (e), (3) (b) and (c), (4) (b) and (d), and (7) (a) (intro.) and (c), 343.17 (3) (a) 16., 343.20 (1) (f), (1m), and (2) (a), 343.50 (3) (a) and (b), (5) (b), (bm), and (c), (6), (8) (c) 6., and (10) (c), 452.14 (3) (n), and 632.35, the renumbering and amendment of s. 343.14 (2) (br) and (es), and the creation of s. 343.14 (2) (br) 2. and (es) 2m. first apply to applications received by the department of transportation on the effective date of this subsection.

#### SECTION 9444. Effective dates; Transportation.

- (1) Noncitizen driver's licenses. The treatment of ss. 66.1011 (1), 66.1201 (2m), 66.1213 (3), 66.1301 (2m), 66.1333 (3) (e) 2., 86.195 (5) (c), 106.50 (1), (1m) (h) and (nm), and (5m) (f) 1., 106.52 (3) (a) 1., 2., 3., 4., and 5., 111.31 (1), (2), and (3), 111.321, 194.025, 224.77 (1) (o), 230.01 (2) (b), 230.18, 234.29, 343.03 (3m) and (3r), 343.14 (2j), 343.165 (1) (c) and (e), (3) (b) and (c), (4) (b) and (d), and (7) (a) (intro.) and (c), 343.17 (3) (a) 16., 343.20 (1) (f), (1m), and (2) (a), 343.50 (3) (a) and (b), (5) (b), (bm), and (c), (6), (8) (c) 6., and (10) (c), 452.14 (3) (n), and 632.35, the renumbering and amendment of s. 343.14 (2) (br) and (es), the creation of s. 343.14 (2) (br) 2. and (es) 2m., and Section 9344 (1) of this act take effect on the first day of the 4th month beginning after publication.".
  - **68.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 265.** 66.0617 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.0617 (7) Low-cost <u>or workforce</u> Housing. An ordinance enacted under this section may provide for an exemption from, or a reduction in the amount of, impact fees on land development that provides low-cost housing, except that no or workforce housing, as defined in s. 66.1105 (2) (n). Under no circumstances may the amount of an impact fee for which an exemption or reduction is provided under this subsection may be shifted to any other development in the land development in which the low-cost housing <u>or workforce housing</u> is located or to any other land development in the municipality.

**SECTION 266.** 66.10012 of the statutes is created to read:

## **66.10012 Workforce housing.** (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

- (a) "Housing agency" means the department of administration.
- (b) "Housing grant" means any grant administered by the department of administration under s. 16.303 or 16.309.
  - (c) "Political subdivision" means any city, village, town, or county.
- (d) "Workforce housing" means housing to which all of the following apply, as adjusted for family size and the county in which the household is located, based on the county's 5-year average median income and housing costs as calculated by the U.S. bureau of the census in its American community survey:
- 1. The housing costs a household no more than 30 percent of the household's gross median income.
- 2. The residential units of the housing are for initial occupancy by individuals whose household median income is no more than 120 percent of the county's gross median income.

- (2) HOUSING INITIATIVES. (a) Subject to par. (b), to implement a workforce housing initiative, a political subdivision may enact an ordinance, adopt a resolution, or put into effect a policy to accomplish any of the following:
- 1. Reduce by at least 10 percent the processing time for all permits related to workforce housing.
- 2. Reduce by at least 10 percent the cost of impact fees that a political subdivision may impose on developments that include workforce housing units.
- 3. Reduce by at least 10 percent the parking requirements for developments that include workforce housing units.
- 4. Increase by at least 10 percent the allowable zoning density for developments that include workforce housing units.
- 5. Establish a mixed-use tax incremental district with at least 20 percent of the housing units to be used for workforce housing.
- 6. Demonstrate compliance with a housing affordability report under s. 66.10013.
- 7. Rehabilitate at least 5 dwelling units of existing, uninhabitable housing stock into habitable workforce housing.
- 8. Modify existing zoning ordinances to allow for the development of workforce housing in areas zoned for commercial or mixed-use development or in areas near employment centers or major transit corridors.
  - 9. Extend the life of a tax incremental district under s. 66.1105 (6) (g) 1.
- 10. Reduce by at least 10 percent the cost of roads for developments that include workforce housing units.

- 11. Implement any other initiative to address the workforce housing needs of the political subdivision.
- (b) After a political subdivision completes one of the actions specified in par.

  (a), the workforce housing initiative shall be considered in effect once the political subdivision submits to the department of administration a written explanation of how the action complies with the workforce housing initiative and posts the explanation on the political subdivision's website.
- (c) Once a political subdivision's action takes effect under par. (b), its workforce housing initiative remains in effect for 5 years. A political subdivision may put into effect more than one of the workforce housing initiatives under par. (a). After June 30, 2026, if a political subdivision has in effect at the same time at least 3 of the workforce housing initiatives under par. (a), the housing agency shall give priority to housing grant applications from, or that relate to a project in, the political subdivision. The department of administration shall promulgate rules establishing how and based on what information the department will give priority to housing grant applications under this paragraph and prescribing the form of application for receiving priority.

**SECTION 267.** 66.1105 (2) (ab) of the statutes is renumbered 66.1105 (2) (n) (intro.) and amended to read:

66.1105 (2) (n) (intro.) "Affordable Workforce housing" means housing that costs a household no more than 30 percent of the household's gross monthly income. to which all of the following apply, as adjusted for family size and the county in which the household is located, based on the county's 5-year average median income

and housing costs as calculated by the U.S. bureau of the census in its American community survey:

**SECTION 268.** 66.1105 (2) (cm) of the statutes is renumbered 66.1105 (2) (cm) (intro.) and amended to read:

66.1105 (2) (cm) (intro.) "Mixed-use development" means development that contains a combination of industrial, commercial, or residential uses, except that lands proposed for newly platted residential use, as shown in the project plan, may not exceed 35 either of the following:

1. Thirty-five percent, by area, of the real property within the district.

**SECTION 269.** 66.1105 (2) (cm) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

66.1105 (2) (cm) 2. Sixty percent, by area, of the real property within the district if the newly platted residential use that exceeds 35 percent is used solely for workforce housing.

**SECTION 270.** 66.1105 (2) (n) 1. of the statutes is created to read:

66.1105 (2) (n) 1. The housing costs a household no more than 30 percent of the household's gross median income.

**SECTION 271.** 66.1105 (2) (n) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

66.1105 (2) (n) 2. The residential units of the housing are for initial occupancy by individuals whose household median income is no more than 120 percent of the county's gross median income.

**SECTION 272.** 66.1105 (4) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1105 (4) (f) Adoption by the planning commission of a project plan for each tax incremental district and submission of the plan to the local legislative body.

The plan shall include a statement listing the kind, number and location of all proposed public works or improvements within the district or, to the extent provided in sub. (2) (f) 1. k. and 1. n., outside the district, an economic feasibility study, a detailed list of estimated project costs, and a description of the methods of financing all estimated project costs and the time when the related costs or monetary obligations are to be incurred. The project plan shall also contain alternative projections of the district's finances and economic feasibility under different economic scenarios, including the scenario in which work on a public work or improvement specified in the project plan begins 3 years later than expected and the scenario in which the rate of property value growth in the district is at least 10 percent lower than expected. The plan shall also include a map showing existing uses and conditions of real property in the district; a map showing proposed improvements and uses in the district; proposed changes of zoning ordinances, master plan, if any, map, building codes and city ordinances; a list of estimated nonproject costs; and a statement of the proposed method for the relocation of any persons to be displaced. The plan shall indicate how creation of the tax incremental district promotes the orderly development of the city. The city shall include in the plan an opinion of the city attorney or of an attorney retained by the city advising whether the plan is complete and complies with this section.

**SECTION 273.** 66.1105 (6) (g) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1105 (6) (g) 1. a. The city adopts a resolution extending the life of the district for a specified number of months. The resolution shall specify how the city

intends to improve its <u>housing stock or increase the number of affordable and workforce</u> housing <u>stock units</u>, as required in subd. 3.

**SECTION 274.** 66.1105 (6) (g) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1105 (6) (g) 3. If a city receives tax increments as described in subd. 2., the city shall use at least 75 percent of the increments received that are not supporting housing stock improvements to benefit affordable housing in the city. The remaining portion of the increments shall be used by the city to improve the city's increase the number of the city's affordable and workforce housing stock units, with at least 50 percent of the funds supporting units for families with incomes of up to 60 percent of the county's median household income.

#### SECTION 9430. Effective dates; Local Government.

- (1) Workforce housing initiatives. The treatment of s. 66.10012 takes effect on January 1, 2026.".
  - **69.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 275.** 66.1105 (4) (gm) 4. c. of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1105 (4) (gm) 4. c. Except as provided in subs. (10) (c), (16) (d), (17), (18) (c) 3., (20) (b), and (20m) (d) 1., the equalized value of taxable property of the district plus the value increment of all existing districts does not exceed 12 percent of the total equalized value of taxable property within the city or that sub. (17) (h) applies. In determining the equalized value of taxable property under this subd. 4. c., the department of revenue shall base its calculations on the most recent equalized value of taxable property of the district that is reported under s. 70.57 (1m) before the date on which the resolution under this paragraph is adopted. If the

department of revenue determines that a local legislative body exceeds the 12 percent limit described in this subd. 4. c. and that sub. (17) (h) does not apply, the department shall notify the city of its noncompliance, in writing, not later than December 31 of the year in which the department receives the completed application or amendment forms described in sub. (5) (b).

**SECTION 276.** 66.1105 (17) (h) of the statutes is created to read:

66.1105 (17) (h) Forthcoming termination. If a city certifies all of the following to the department of revenue, the department may certify the tax incremental base under sub. (5) (d) notwithstanding the equalized value of taxable property of the district plus the value increment of all existing districts exceeding 12 percent of the total equalized value of taxable property within the city:

- 1. That, not later than one year after the certification under this paragraph, districts having sufficient value increments will terminate so that the city will no longer exceed the 12 percent limit described under sub. (4) (gm) 4. c.
- 2. That the city will not take any action that would extend the life of any district whose termination is necessary to satisfy subd. 1.".
  - **70.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"SECTION 277.** 66.1105 (4) (h) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

66.1105 (4) (h) 3. The planning commission may, by resolution, amend the declaration under par. (gm) 6. to reclassify the district as a mixed-use district. The amendment is subject to approval by the local legislative body and the joint review board acting under sub. (4m). The amendment under this subdivision shall be concurrent with an amendment under subd. 1. to the project plan of the district.

The planning commission shall ensure that the percentage of lands in the district proposed for newly platted residential use does not exceed the percentage specified in sub. (2) (cm) and that at least one of the conditions specified under sub. (2) (f) 3. a. to c. applies to the district. Adoption of an amendment to a classification shall be preceded by a public hearing held by the planning commission at which interested parties shall be afforded a reasonable opportunity to express their views on the amendment. Notice of the hearing shall be published as a class 1 notice, under ch. 985. The notice shall include a statement of the purpose and cost of the amendment and shall advise that a copy of the amendment will be provided on request. Before publication, a copy of the notice shall be sent to the chief executive officer or administrator of all local governmental entities having the power to levy taxes on property within the district and to the school board of any school district which includes property located within the proposed district. For a county with no chief executive officer or administrator, this notice shall be sent to the county board chairperson.

**SECTION 278.** 66.1105 (4m) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

66.1105 (4m) (b) 2. No tax incremental district may be created and no project plan may be amended unless the board approves the resolution adopted under sub. (4) (gm) or (h) 1., and no tax incremental base may be redetermined under sub. (5) (h) unless the board approves the resolution adopted under sub. (5) (h) 1., by a majority vote within 45 days after receiving the resolution. No tax incremental district classification may be amended unless the board unanimously approves the resolution adopted under sub. (4) (h) 3. within 45 days after receiving the resolution. With regard to a multijurisdictional tax incremental district created

under this section, each public member of a participating city must be part of the majority that votes for approval of the resolution or the district may not be created. The board may not approve the resolution under this subdivision unless the board's approval contains a positive assertion that, in its judgment, the development described in the documents the board has reviewed under subd. 1. would not occur without the creation of a tax incremental district. The board may not approve the resolution under this subdivision unless the board finds that, with regard to a tax incremental district that is proposed to be created by a city under sub. (17) (a), such a district would be the only existing district created under that subsection by that city.

**SECTION 279.** 66.1105 (7m) of the statutes is created to read:

66.1105 (**7m**) CLASSIFICATION CHANGES. Notwithstanding subs. (6) and (7), an amendment to the classification of a district under sub. (4) (h) 3. does not affect the expenditure or allocation periods or lifespan of the district.".

**71.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 9243. Fiscal changes; Tourism.

- (1) RURAL CREATIVE ECONOMY GRANT PROGRAM. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of tourism under s. 20.380 (1) (b), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$1,000,000 for the development of a rural creative economy grant program.".
  - **72.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 280.** 20.505 (7) (fe) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (7) (fe) Grants for Milwaukee County Housing First. The amounts in the schedule for Milwaukee County's Housing First initiative.

**SECTION 281.** 20.505 (7) (fe) of the statutes, as created by 2025 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), is repealed.

## SECTION 9201. Fiscal changes; Administration.

(1) Grants for Milwaukee County Housing First. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of administration under s. 20.505 (7) (fe), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2025-26 is increased by \$100,000 to award a grant to the Milwaukee County department of health and human services to support Milwaukee County's Housing First initiative. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of administration under s. 20.505 (7) (fe), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2026-27 is increased by \$100,000 to award a grant to the Milwaukee County department of health and human services to support Milwaukee County's Housing First initiative.

#### SECTION 9401. Effective dates; Administration.

- (1) Grants for Milwaukee County Housing First. The repeal of s. 20.505(7) (fe) takes effect on July 1, 2027.".
  - **73.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

"SECTION 282. 978.045 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

978.045 (2) If the department of administration approves the appointment of a special prosecutor under sub. (1r), the court shall fix the amount of compensation for the attorney appointed according to the rates specified in s. 977.08 (4m) (b) for the date on which the approval was made. The department of administration shall pay the compensation ordered by the court from the appropriation under s. 20.475

(1) (d). The court, district attorney, and the special prosecutor shall provide any information regarding a payment of compensation that the department requests. Any payment under this subsection earns interest on the balance due from the 121st day after receipt of a properly completed invoice or receipt and acceptance of the property or service under the order or contract, whichever is later, at the rate specified in s. 71.82 (1) (a) compounded monthly.

### SECTION 9310. Initial applicability; District Attorneys.

- (1) COMPENSATION FOR SPECIAL PROSECUTORS. The treatment of s. 978.045 (2) first applies to appointments approved on the effective date of this subsection.".
  - **74.** At the appropriate places, insert all of the following:

**"Section 283.** 16.3066 of the statutes is created to read:

- 16.3066 Grants to incentivize eliminating zoning barriers to affordable housing. (1) In this section, "local governmental unit" means a city, village, town, county, or federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state.
- (2) From the appropriation under s. 20.505 (7) (fq), the department shall establish a competitive grant program to award grants to local governmental units that adopt one or more of the following policy initiatives to eliminate zoning barriers for the creation or expansion of affordable housing:
  - (a) Reduce minimum lot sizes and widths.
  - (b) Reduce setback requirements to allow greater use of existing lots.
  - (c) Increase allowed lot coverages to match historic patterns.
- (d) Adoption of a traditional neighborhood development ordinance, such as the model ordinance developed under s. 66.1027 (2).

- (e) Allow accessory dwelling units.
- (3) The department may establish eligibility requirements and other program guidelines for the grant program under this section.

**SECTION 284.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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  - (fq) Grants to incentivize eliminating zoning barriers to affordable

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**SECTION 285.** 20.505 (7) (fq) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (7) (fq) *Grants to incentivize eliminating zoning barriers to affordable housing.* Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for grants under s. 16.3066.".

(END)