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CHAPTER 639

AN ACT to create 20.240 (50) and 20.440 (76) of the statutes, relating to the use of certain unemployment reserve fund money credited under federal law to buy land and to construct employment security buildings, and making appropriations.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.240 (50) of the statutes is created to read:

20.240 (50) The proceeds of the land transfer specified in s. 20.440 (76) (f) are appropriated to the state building commission, to be applied to the public improvement costs payable under s. 36.34 (6).

SECTION 2. 20.440 (76) of the statutes is created to read:

20.440 (76) **EMPLOYMENT SECURITY ADMINISTRATIVE FINANCING ACCOUNT.** (a) There is appropriated, from the unemployment reserve fund's employment security administrative financing account created by s. 108.161 (as created by ch. 235, laws of 1957, Bill No. 259, S.), to the administration fund created by s. 108.20, for use in accordance with those sections:

1. On the day after the enactment of this act, \$722,623.22, namely the (fiscal 1956) amount credited to that account as of July 1, 1956.

2. On November 1, 1957, \$1,460,000, but not to exceed the (fiscal 1957) amount credited to that account as of July 1, 1957.

3. On August 1, 1958, \$1,400,000, but not to exceed the (fiscal 1958) amount credited to that account as of July 1, 1958.

(b) The amounts thus appropriated shall be used for employment security administration (including unemployment compensation, employment service and related statistical operations), namely for capital outlay to buy suitable parcels of land, with a view to future construction thereon of modern office buildings designed for employment security operations,

and to finance the designing and construction of such buildings, including such equipment, facilities, paving, landscaping and other improvements as may be required for the proper use and operation of such building projects after their completion.

(c) The treasurer of the unemployment reserve fund shall transfer the amounts thus appropriated, from the account created by s. 108.161 to the fund created by s. 108.20, only as and to the extent that they are currently needed for expenditures pursuant to this section. Any amount thus transferred which has ceased to be needed or available for such expenditures shall be restored to that account.

(d) The amount used pursuant to this subsection during any fiscal year shall not exceed the aggregate of all amounts credited under s. 108.161 (1) within that fiscal year and the 4 preceding fiscal years, reduced by the sum of any moneys used and charged against any of the amounts thus credited within those 5 years.

(e) As to any building project to be financed under this subsection, the industrial commission shall secure advance assurance that the federal bureau of employment security will apply to that project, after its completion and occupancy, the bureau's policy of gradually reimbursing the unemployment reserve fund for the necessary capital costs of any suitable employment security building project (thus financed) by federal grants covering the amounts which would otherwise be payable (during the reimbursement or amortization period) for the rental of substantially equivalent office quarters.

(f) Of the total sum appropriated by this subsection, not to exceed \$2,150,000 shall be used to construct an employment security building, in Madison, designed for the state administrative offices (now housed in 3 separate rented locations) of the industrial commission's employment service and unemployment compensation and related statistical operations. That building and its related facilities shall be located on a suitable parcel of about 4 acres of land, to be specified by the state building commission, which shall be transferred for this purpose to the industrial commission (in its capacity as state employment security administrator) from the Madison site for state office building facilities conveyed to the state building commission under s. 36.34 (6), at a price (payable from the appropriations made by this subsection) of \$8,250 per acre. Those appropriations shall also pay for such costs of street, utility and other public improvements as are fairly assessable pursuant to s. 36.34 (6) against the parcel thus transferred.

(g) The governor, before approving any land purchase (including any transfer) or building project to be financed under this subsection, shall consult with the state building commission as to those cities and sites where early construction of a combined state office building is under active consideration, with a view to determining where employment security building projects (thus financed) would be desirable.

SECTION 3. The amounts appropriated by this act shall be available for use pursuant to s. 20.440 (76) of the statutes, as created by this act, solely within the 2 years beginning on the date of enactment of this act.

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