

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

## 2017 Wisconsin Act 230 [2017 Senate Bill 650]

## Mississippi River Parkway Commission

The Mississippi River Parkway Commission (MRPC) is a multi-state organization that oversees the 10-state Great River Road National Scenic Byway along the Mississippi River. Wisconsin is one of the 10 member states of the MRPC. State law created the Wisconsin MRPC (WIMRPC) to, among other things, cooperate with the MRPC, and other similar committees or commissions in other states and Canada, in furtherance of the ultimate development of the Great River Road from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico.

State law specifies WIMRPC's membership. State law also authorizes WIMRPC to establish a technical committee to advise WIMRPC. Under **prior law**, the technical committee was required to have at least one employee from each of the following state agencies as a member of the committee: (1) the Department of Transportation; and (2) the Department of Tourism.

**2017 Wisconsin Act 230** expands the membership of WIMRPC's technical committee to include at least one employee each from the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection and Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation.

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