

MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS

Budget Summary							
Fund	2022-23 Base Year Doubled	2023-25 Governor	2023-25 Jt. Finance	Joint Finance Change to:			
				Governor		Base	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
GPR	\$325,882,400	\$378,999,900	\$362,523,200	-\$16,476,700	- 4.3%	\$36,640,800	11.2%
SEG	<u>64,586,000</u>	<u>64,586,000</u>	<u>64,359,300</u>	<u>- 226,700</u>	- 0.4	<u>- 226,700</u>	- 0.4
TOTAL	\$390,468,400	\$443,585,900	\$426,882,500	-\$16,703,400	- 3.8%	\$36,414,100	9.3%

FTE Position Summary
There are no authorized positions for Miscellaneous Appropriations.

Budget Change Items

1. GENERAL FUND SUPPLEMENT TO THE VETERANS TRUST FUND [LFB Paper 106]

	Governor (Chg. to Base)	Jt. Finance (Chg. to Gov)	Net Change
GPR	\$5,697,600	-\$5,309,600	\$388,000

Governor: Provide \$2,973,800 in 2023-24 and \$2,723,800 in 2024-25 to reflect the Administration's estimate of the GPR funding that would be transferred to the veterans trust fund (VTF) to maintain a positive balance in that fund through the 2023-25 biennium under the bill. The total transfer is estimated at \$18,250,000 in 2023-24 and \$18,000,000 in 2024-25. See the item under "Veterans Affairs" for a complete summary of the projected veterans trust fund revenues and expenditures.

Joint Finance: Reduce funding by \$2,394,800 in 2023-24 and \$2,914,800 in 2024-25 to reflect a reestimate of the transfers in the 2023-25 biennium, based on anticipated VTF expenditures under Joint Finance. Total transfers are estimated at \$15,855,200 in 2023-24 and \$15,085,200 in 2024-25.

2. MARQUETTE DENTAL SCHOOL DEBT SERVICE REESTIMATE [LFB Paper 106]

	Governor (Chg. to Base)	Jt. Finance (Chg. to Gov)	Net Change
GPR	- \$384,100	- \$700	- \$384,800

Governor: Reestimate funding by -\$210,000 in 2023-24 and -\$174,100 in 2024-25 for debt service costs on state general obligation bonds and commercial paper debt issued to fund a portion of the dental and education facility for the Marquette Dental School. Budgeted debt service costs associated with the Marquette Dental School are \$702,700 in 2023-24 and \$738,600 in 2024-25.

Joint Finance: Reestimate debt service by an additional -\$600 in 2023-24 and -\$100 in 2024-25. Budgeted debt service costs associated with the Marquette Dental School are \$702,100 in 2023-24 and \$738,500 in 2024-25.

3. TRANSFERS TO THE CONSERVATION FUND -- RECREATIONAL VEHICLES [LFB Paper 106]

GPR	\$37,800
SEG	- 514,700
Total	- \$476,900

Governor: Maintain base funding for transfers to the conservation fund from the transportation fund and the general fund for motorized recreational vehicles. Transfers are deposited in the all-terrain vehicle (ATVs and utility terrain vehicles), snowmobile, off-highway motorcycle, and water resources (motorboats) accounts of the segregated conservation fund under the recreational vehicle fuel tax formulas. By statute, the snowmobile, motorboat, and ATV and UTV transfers are based on the fuel tax rate and the count of registered recreational vehicles as of certain dates in the preceding fiscal year. The OHM transfer is based on the number of off-highway motorcycles registered in the preceding fiscal year multiplied by the registration fee.

Joint Finance: Reestimate transfers to the conservation fund from the transportation fund for motorized recreational vehicles by -\$448,700 in 2023-24 and -\$66,000 in 2024-25. Reestimate the general fund transfer for off-highway motorcycles by \$18,900 in each year, as shown in the following table.

Recreational Vehicle Transfers -- Comparative

Source	Base (Governor)	2023-24		2024-25	
		Change to Base	Reestimate	Change to Base	Reestimate
GPR					
Off-Highway Motorcycles	\$61,100	\$18,900	\$80,000	\$18,900	\$80,000
Transportation SEG					
Motorboats	\$13,499,400	-\$540,200	\$12,959,200	-\$308,900	\$13,190,500
Snowmobiles	5,331,900	-25,100	5,306,800	-12,400	5,319,500
ATVs & UTVs	<u>2,842,400</u>	<u>116,600</u>	<u>2,959,000</u>	<u>255,300</u>	<u>3,097,700</u>
Subtotal	\$21,673,700	-\$448,700	\$21,225,000	-\$66,000	\$21,607,700
Total	\$21,734,800	-\$429,800	\$21,305,000	-\$47,100	\$21,687,700

4. TRANSFERS TO THE CONSERVATION FUND -- LAND ACQUISITION DEBT SERVICE [LFB Paper 106]

GPR	- \$200
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Governor/Joint Finance: Reestimate the transfer to the conservation fund for land acquisition debt service by -\$100 annually. 1987 Act 298 provided \$2.5 million in SEG-supported bonding authority and reallocated \$4.5 million in existing bonding authority to DNR to acquire land around the Chippewa Flowage in Sawyer County. 1989 Act 31 appropriated GPR to reimburse the conservation fund for the debt service related to the acquisition. The bonds issued to finance the purchase are expected to be retired in May, 2023. The bill would estimate SEG debt service and GPR reimbursement funding at \$0 for the biennium. [See "Natural Resources -- Departmentwide."]

5. DISASTER DAMAGE AIDS TRANSFER TO TRANSPORTATION FUND

GPR	- \$1,000,000
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Governor/Joint Finance: Reestimate the disaster damage aids appropriation transfer to the transportation fund by -\$1,000,000 in 2023-24.

2013 Wisconsin Act 20 established a GPR sum-sufficient appropriation to fund a transfer to the transportation fund in the second year of the biennium equal to the amount of disaster aid payments made during the biennium in excess of \$1,000,000 for any single disaster event. Although the funding is only needed in the second year of each biennium, this funding is automatically included in the base funding for the first and second years of the next biennium. As a result, the first year of funding has to be removed during the biennial budget process. The current base level is \$1,000,000. The Governor's recommendation would remove the 2022-23 base funding.

6. WISCONSIN EYE ENDOWMENT

Joint Finance: Create a biennial GPR appropriation entitled the "Endowment Fund for Wisconsin Eye" under Miscellaneous Appropriations. Place \$10,000,000 GPR in 2023-24 in the Joint Committee on Finance's GPR supplemental appropriation for potential release to Wisconsin Eye. Specify that money may be released if the Committee approves a request for funding made jointly by DOA and Wisconsin Eye. Specify that DOA is prohibited from providing a grant to Wisconsin Eye unless, prior to June 1, 2025, Wisconsin Eye has raised for the endowment fund from nonstate funding sources total amounts that at least equal the amount of the payment, up to \$10,000,000. Require that: (a) in perpetuity, if Wisconsin Eye ever ceases operations and divests assets, the state amount granted to Wisconsin Eye, up to \$10,000,000, would be returned to the state for deposit to the general fund; and; (b) as a condition of receiving any payment, Wisconsin Eye is prohibited from charging any fee for access to recorded content of public meetings.

7. TERMINAL TAX DISTRIBUTION [LFB Paper 106]

SEG	\$588,000
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Joint Finance: Reestimate the terminal tax distribution by \$294,000 in each year. All taxes paid by any railroad company derived from, or apportionable to, repair facilities, docks, ore yards, piers, wharves, grain elevators, and their approaches are distributed annually from the transportation fund to the towns, villages, and cities in which they are located. Distributions are estimated at \$2,200,000 each year in the 2023-25 biennium.

8. PETROLEUM ALLOWANCE [LFB Paper 106]

SEG	-\$300,000
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Joint Finance: Reestimate the petroleum allowance by -\$150,000 in each year. The allowance is paid to any person who purchases general aviation fuel from a supplier, at 2 cents for each gallon of general aviation fuel purchased in excess of 1,000,000 gallons per month. A person who purchases general aviation fuel for resale is not eligible for the allowance. The payments would be estimated at \$150,000 each year in the 2023-25 biennium.

Other Miscellaneous Appropriation Changes

The description and biennial fiscal effect of miscellaneous appropriation changes relating to Illinois-Wisconsin income tax reciprocity (\$33,400,000) and oil pipeline terminal tax distribution (\$4,200,000) are summarized under "General Fund Taxes -- Refundable Tax Credits and Other Payments."