JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Minutes of the Meeting Under s. 13.10

October 13, 2009

Co-chair Pocan presided and called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

Present: Senators Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Lassa, Darling, Olsen
Representatives Pocan, Colón, Mason, Sherman, Grigsby, Vos, Montgomery

Absent: Senator Robson and Representative Shilling

I. Department of Corrections

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the request to transfer $5,900,500 FED in 2010-11 to 2009-10 within the Department's federal youth aids appropriation [s. 20.410(3)(o)], and the transfer of $5,900,500 GPR in 2009-10 to 2010-11 within the Department's GPR youth aids appropriation [s. 20.410(3)(cd)].

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

II. Wisconsin Arts Board

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the request to transfer $84,500 GPR in 2009-10 and in 2010-11 from the challenge grant program appropriation [s. 20.215(1)(d)] to the state aid for the arts appropriation [s. 20.215(1)(b)].

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)
III. Government Accountability Board

Moved by Senator Darling and seconded by Representative Vos to modify the state's election administration plan under the federal Help America Vote Act to require the Government Accountability Board to study requiring voters to: (a) present photographic identification at the polling place; and (b) provide a copy of photographic identification if voting by absentee ballot.

Ayes, 4; Noes, 10 (Pocan, Colón, Mason, Sherman, Grigsby, Miller, Hansen, Taylor, Lehman, Lassa); Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the state election administration plan developed under the Help America Vote Act and submitted by the Government Accountability Board pursuant to s. 5.05(10) of the statutes. Specify that the approval of this plan does not constitute the commitment of any additional state funding to advance the plan.

Ayes, 13; Noes, 1 (Lassa); Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

IV. Government Accountability Board

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the request of the Government Accountability Board on a one-time basis to: (a) transfer $207,800 GPR in 2009-10, from its general program operations appropriation [s. 20.511(1)(a)] to its election administration transfer appropriation [s. 20.511(1)(d)]; and (b) provide associated increased expenditure authority of $207,800 SEG in 2009-10 to its election administration appropriation [s. 20.511(1)(t)].

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

V. Department of Administration

Moved by Senator Hansen and seconded by Representative Mason to modify the Department of Administration's Municipal Service Payment (MSP) program guidelines by specifying that in instances where a county sheriff's department provides police services to a state facility located in an incorporated municipality (with or without a local police force), that, for the purposes of calculating the MSP entitlement amount, the value of the state facility would be added to the value of state facilities in the municipality in which the facility is located. In addition, specify that any compensation made by that municipality to the county sheriff's department for services conducted at the state facility, as specified in an intergovernmental agreement between the municipality and the county, would be considered an eligible police service expense under the program. The remaining guideline modifications prepared by DOA are approved.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)
VI. Department of Administration

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve $350,000 FED in 2009-10 for industrial energy audits from American Recovery and Reinvestment funds provided for Save Energy Now initiatives under the s. 20.505(1)(mb) of the statutes.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

VII. Public Service Commission

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve $893,500 FED in 2009-10 under the s. 20.155(1)(m) of the statutes for the receipt of American Recovery and Reinvestment funds to hire 3.0 project positions to work on electricity-related initiatives that are funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Specify that the project positions be deleted by December 14, 2013.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

VIII. Department of Workforce Development

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request for increased expenditure authority of $389,497 to reflect the allocation of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds in Department of Workforce Development appropriations to activate additional eligible vocational rehabilitation individuals from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) wait list and provide them with vocational rehabilitation services.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: $389,497 in fiscal year 2009-10 under s. 20.445(5)(n).]
IX. **Department of Workforce Development**

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request for increased expenditure authority for the use of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds in Department of Workforce Development appropriations as follows: (a) $3,800,000 unemployment insurance (UI) special administrative transfer funds to extend re-employment services to UI claimants; and (b) $5,766,720 in special administrative transfer moneys to fund administrative expenses related to increased demand for unemployment insurance.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: $3,800,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 under s. 20.445(1)(m) and $5,766,720 in fiscal year 2009-10 under s. 20.445(1)(n).]

X. **Department of Transportation**

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's plan for the use of $9,460,285 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding for the second phase of a runway safety area construction project at the General Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 0; Absent, 2 (Shilling, Robson)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: $9,460,285 in fiscal year 2009-10 under s. 20.395(2)(dx).]

Scott B. Thornton, Acting Secretary

Date: 10-19-2009

Mark Pocan, Co-Chair

Date: 10-20-09

Jim Doyle, Governor

Date: 10/21/09