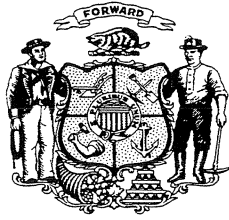


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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Minutes of the Meeting Under s. 13.10

August 4, 2009

Co-chair Miller presided and called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

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

Absent: Representative Colón

I. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the expenditure of \$3,999,200 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds by the department in the 2009-11 fiscal biennium to support the following activities in the Birth-to-Three program: (a) the promotion of evidence-based practices ("legacy building"); (b) cross-agency and cross-program collaboration; and (c) information technology improvements. In addition, direct the administration to resubmit the request for the allocation and expenditure of \$3,000,000 when the final county allocations have been determined.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: \$428,800 in each fiscal year under s. 20.435(7)(nL), and \$1,885,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$1,256,600 in fiscal year 2010-11 under s. 20.435(7)(m).]

II. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request to allow the department to allocate and expend American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds in the amounts of \$496,263 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$27,975 in fiscal year 2010-11 for electronic benefits transfer related activities in the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program and to purchase computer hardware for use by local WIC projects.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.435(1)(n).]

III. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request to increase expenditure authority in the department by \$1,009,334 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$1,104,811 in fiscal year 2010-11 to reflect American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to support immunization activities.

Ayes, 13; Noes, 2 (Sherman, Vos); Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.435(1)(m).]

IV. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request to allow the department to allocate and expend \$202,648 in each of fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for the emergency food assistance program (TEFAP) administrative funding.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.435(1)(m).]

V. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's revised request to allocate \$51,338 in each of fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to support activities related to increased National Health Service Corps loan repayment opportunities.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.435(1)(m).]

VI. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request to allow the department to allocate and expend \$701,162 in each of fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for health care associated infection reduction and activities in the Division of Public Health.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: \$524,662 in each fiscal year under s. 20.435(1)(m) and \$176,500 in each fiscal year under s. 20.435(1)(ma).]

VII. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request to allow the department to allocate and expend \$160,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for prevention of health care associated infection in ambulatory surgical centers.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.435(6)(n).]

VIII. Department of Health Services

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to increase the department's expenditure authority by \$295,800 in fiscal year 2009-10 and \$695,800 in fiscal year 2010-11 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to support activities conducted by the Disability Determination Bureau. The amounts reflect updated estimates on the cost of hiring 4.0 FTE project positions.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 1 (Vos); Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.435(4)(n).]

IX. Department of Commerce

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the expenditure of \$1,344,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for the lead hazard control program, including \$1,144,000 in the appropriation under s. 20.143(2)(m) for grants and \$200,000 in the appropriation under s. 20.143(2)(o) for the department's administrative costs. The Governor may submit a request for the remaining \$1,656,000 when the grant recipients are identified.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

X. Department of Commerce

Co-chair Miller made a unanimous consent request to approve the Governor's plan for the use of \$7,533,800 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds that were awarded by the federal government for 15 specific projects. Without objection, it was so ordered.

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: \$488,775 under s. 20.143(1)(m) and \$7,045,000 under s. 20.143(1)(n).]

XI. Department of Commerce

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the allocation and expenditure of \$2,073,100 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for the department's diesel emission reduction grants.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: \$2,000,000 under s. 20.143(1)(n) and \$73,100 under s. 20.143(1)(m).]

XII. Department of Workforce Development

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the request to increase expenditure authority by \$14,851,318 in fiscal year 2008-09 in the appropriation under s. 20.445(1)(m) to appropriate the state's allocation of federal Trade Adjustment Assistance funds under provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

XIII. Department of Workforce Development

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the request to provide increased expenditure authority of \$915,962 in fiscal year 2009-10 in the appropriation under s. 20.445(5)(n) to appropriate the state's allocation of federal Title VII funds for independent living grants under provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

XIV. Department of Workforce Development

Moved by Representative Pocan and seconded by Senator Miller to approve the request to allocate \$1,500,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 in state Workforce Investment Act youth discretionary funds to the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 1 (Vos); Absent, 1 (Colón)

XV. Department of Natural Resources

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the expenditure of \$1,070,200 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for department water quality planning projects.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: \$613,600 under s. 20.370(4)(mm), \$28,500 under s. 20.370(8)(mz) and \$428,100 under s. 20.370(6)(dm).]

XVI. Department of Natural Resources

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the expenditure of \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for department brownfields cleanup grants and loans.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.370(2)(mm).]

XVII. Department of Natural Resources

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the expenditure of \$2,285,400 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for department diesel emission reduction grants.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.370(2)(mm).]

XVIII. Department of Natural Resources

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Senator Hansen to approve the expenditure of \$6,381,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for the state leaking underground storage tank program for assessment and cleanup of the contaminated petroleum tank sites submitted with the department's application for Recovery Act funding to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in April 2009. Further, specify that if the department or the Department of Commerce proposes to spend any of the Recovery Act funding for sites other than the sites included in the April 2009 application to EPA, the Governor shall first submit a request to the Committee for approval of the expenditures under the requirements of 2009 Wisconsin Act 2.

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriation under s. 20.370(2)(my).]

XIX. Department of Public Instruction

Co-chair Miller made a unanimous consent request to approve the Governor's request for increased expenditure authority of the following amounts of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds: (a) \$1,316,700 in fiscal year 2008-09 for school lunch equipment grants; (b) \$450,000 in each of fiscal years 2009-10 and 2010-11 for the federal Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program; and (c) \$159,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 to administer the AmeriCorps VISTA program. Without objection, it was so ordered.

[Secretary's Note: The funds would be deposited to and expended from the department's appropriations as follows: \$1,316,700 under s. 20.255(2)(m); \$450,000 annually under s. 20.255(2)(n) and \$159,000 under s. 20.255(1)(me).]

XX. Department of Public Instruction

Action on this item was addressed in the unanimous consent request under item XIX.

XXI. Department of Public Instruction

Action on this item was addressed in the unanimous consent request under item XIX.

XXII. Department of Administration

Moved by Representative Mason and seconded by Senator Taylor to approve the request to provide increased expenditure authority of \$11,743,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 in the appropriation under s. 20.505(1)(mb) to appropriate Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant funds allocated under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Further, direct the Departments of Commerce and Administration in administering grant awards to ensure, to the extent allowable by state and federal law, that local labor and businesses are utilized for projects funded with the federal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant.

Ayes, 12; Noes, 3 (Darling, Vos, Montgomery); Absent, 1 (Colón)

XXIII. Department of Administration

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the allocation of \$540,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds for Energy Star Rebates under the department's federal aids appropriation [s. 20.505(1)(mb)].

Ayes, 15; Noes, 0; Absent, 1 (Colón)

XXIV. Department of Administration, Office of Justice Assistance

Moved by Senator Taylor and seconded by Representative Grigsby to approve the Governor's recommendation to increase the expenditure authority to the department's Office of Justice Assistance (OJA) federal aid; criminal justice appropriation [s. 20.505(6)(n)] by \$15,140,000 in fiscal year 2009-10 and its federal aid, justice assistance, state operations appropriation [s. 20.505(6)(m)] by \$1,200,000 in fiscal year 2009-10, to permit American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to be utilized for criminal justice-related activities and for OJA administration costs under the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant program.

In addition, specify that the \$300,000 under the Recovery Act Justice Assistance Grant Plan set aside for the traffic stop data collection initiative under 2009 Wisconsin Act 28 be utilized for: (a) OJA staff time and expenses to develop the plan required under Act 28; and (b) local law enforcement agency information system equipment and software purchases to the extent that funding is not fully expended under (a).

Require OJA to create an advisory committee to develop the administrative rules for the program required under Act 28. Provide that the advisory committee be composed of two members of the Joint Committee on Finance, one appointed by the Senate Co-chair and one appointed by the Assembly Co-chair. Specify that the remaining committee members include representatives of law enforcement, the community and criminal justice professionals. Require the committee to hold public hearings throughout the state in developing the required administrative rules.

Further, approve the Governor's recommendation to increase the expenditure authority to the OJA federal aid, local assistance and aids appropriation [s. 20.505(6)(p)] by \$2,293,900 in fiscal year 2009-10, and its federal aid, justice assistance, state operations appropriation [s. 20.505(6)(m)] by \$254,800 in fiscal year 2009-10, to permit American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to be utilized for programs to improve the criminal justice system's response to violence against women, to improve services available to women victims, and for OJA administration costs under the STOP Violence Against Women formula grant program.

Ayes, 12; Noes, 3 (Darling, Vos, Montgomery); Absent, 1 (Colón)

XXV. Department of Administration, Office of Justice Assistance

Action on this item was addressed in the motion approved under item XXIV.

XXVI. Department of Administration, Office of Justice Assistance

Action on this item was addressed in the motion approved under item XXIV.

XXVII. Arts Board

Moved by Senator Robson and seconded by Senator Darling to direct that \$15,000 received by the board under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act be provided to the Beloit Janesville Symphony Orchestra. Specify that grant amounts for other grantees be prorated by a percentage sufficient to generate \$15,000 for the additional grant, an estimated reduction of 4.71 percent.

Ayes, 4; Noes, 11 (Miller, Hansen, Lehman, Lassa, Olsen, Pocan, Mason, Shilling, Sherman, Grigsby, Montgomery); Absent, 1 (Colón)

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request for increased expenditure authority of \$318,500 in fiscal year 2009-10 in the federal grants aids to individuals and organizations appropriation [s. 20.215(1)(o)] to distribute American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds received by the board to fund arts projects and activities that preserve jobs in the nonprofit sector.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 1 (Vos); Absent, 1 (Colón)

XXVIII. Department of Revenue

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to approve the Governor's request to transfer \$76,139,100 in federal fiscal stabilization fund in the county and municipal aid program from fiscal year 2010-11 to fiscal year 2009-10 and make corresponding GPR appropriation adjustments.

Ayes, 14; Noes, 1 (Vos); Absent, 1 (Colón)

XXIX. Department of Transportation

Moved by Senator Miller and seconded by Representative Pocan to modify the department's request by reducing the amount of bonding approved to \$47,500,000 for the purchase of two train sets, spare cars, spare parts inventory and liability insurance. The amount would exclude the requested \$500,000 in contingency funds.

Ayes, 11; Noes, 4 (Darling, Olsen, Vos, Montgomery); Absent, 1 (Colón)



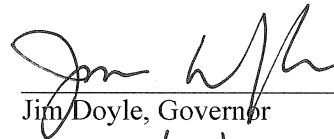
Kirsten M. Grinde, Secretary

Date: 08/12/2009



Mark Miller, Co-Chair

Date: 8/13/09



Jim Doyle, Governor

Date: 8/14/09

