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CHAPTER 678

AN ACT to amend 14.72 (1), (3) and (4) of the statutes, as amended by chapter 228, laws of 1959, relating to the organization and operation of the board on government operations.

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

14.72 (1), (3) and (4) of the statutes, as amended by chapter 228, laws of 1959, are amended to read:

14.72 (1) There is constituted a board on government operations to be composed of the chairman of the senate finance committee, the chairman of the assembly finance committee \* \* \* and 2 senators and 3 assemblymen \* \* \* to be appointed as are standing committees in the respective houses. \* \* \* Each house shall be represented by at least one member of each of the 2 parties having the greatest representation in each house. The board on government operations shall choose its own chairman at its first meeting and biennially thereafter. In case of a vacancy in the chairmanship of either finance committee, due to death, resignation, disability or other cause occurring during the interim of the legislature, the next ranking member of the finance committee of that house according to order of appointment shall serve as a member of the board until such vacancy is filled by the legislature. The legislative members shall be \* \* \* reimbursed their actual and necessary expenses, from the appropriation made in s. \* \* \* 20.385 (1). Regular meetings shall be held quarterly and special meetings shall be held upon call of the governor or upon call of the chairman of the board. Requests in an amount not exceeding \$5,000 requiring immediate board action may be resolved by mail ballot to be formally recorded at the next ensuing special or regular meeting. The board may employ such assistants as it deems necessary and fix their compensation, on the same basis as employes of the executive office. The commissioner of administration shall serve ex officio as secretary of the board. The state auditor shall attend such meetings as the board requests.

(3) All requests for supplemental appropriations or appropriation transfers shall be filed with the secretary of the board in writing and shall contain a statement of the amount requested, the purposes therefor, the statutory provision authorizing or directing the performance of the function, the nature of the emergency, and such other information as the

board may require. The governor shall submit his recommendation on the request to the board. All such requests shall be afforded a public hearing \* \* \* and the secretary of the board shall give public notice of the time and place of such hearing.

(4) All grants of supplemental appropriations or transfers between appropriations under this section shall be \* \* \* determined by a roll call vote. A copy of the minutes shall be signed by \* \* \* the secretary and approved by the presiding officer and be transmitted to the department of administration, state auditor, and the legislative reference library. The minutes shall contain a statement of the findings of fact specified in sub. (2) and that a public hearing was held after the requisite notice. All transfers of appropriations and grants of supplemental appropriations may be approved in whole or in part by the governor and the part approved shall be so ordered, and the part objected to shall be returned to the board for reconsideration. The chairman of the board shall call a meeting or conduct a mail ballot within 10 days of the receipt of the governor's objection and if, after \* \* \* reconsideration, 5 members of the board \* \* \* by a roll call vote or recorded ballot shall sustain the original action it shall be so ordered by signature of the chairman of the board. \* \* \*

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