



2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 577

February 17, 2012 - Introduced by Representatives PASCH, HINTZ, GRIGSBY, HULSEY, POPE-ROBERTS, BEWLEY, BERCEAU, RICHARDS, SPANBAUER, MASON, TURNER, ZAMARRIPA, D. CULLEN, E. COGGS, KESSLER, STASKUNAS, YOUNG, SINICKI, C. TAYLOR, POCAN, SEIDEL, FIELDS, BERNARD SCHABER, ZEPNICK, MOLEPSKE JR and TOLES, cosponsored by Senators KING, C. LARSON, VINEHOUT, TAYLOR, RISSER, CARPENTER, ERPENBACH, S. COGGS, WIRCH, SHILLING, HANSEN and T. CULLEN. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. cm., 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. d., 85.20 (4m) (a) 7. b.
2 and 85.20 (4m) (a) 8. b. of the statutes; **relating to:** funding for the urban mass
3 transit operating assistance program and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, DOT provides state aid payments to local public bodies in urban areas served by mass transit systems to assist the local public bodies with the expenses of operating those systems. There are five classes of urban mass transit systems. Four classes are defined by reference to the annual operating expenses of the system or the population of the area in which the system operates. The total amount of state aid payments to these four classes of mass transit systems is limited to an annual amount specified in the statutes. The fifth class is for certain commuter or light rail systems. There is no specified amount payable to the rail mass transit system class. This bill increases funding for state aids to the four classes of mass transit systems for which a yearly amount of aid is specified.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. cm. of the statutes, as affected by 2011 Wisconsin
5 Act 32, is amended to read:

ASSEMBLY BILL 577**SECTION 1**

1 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. cm. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (ht), the
2 department shall pay \$66,585,600 for aid payable for calendar year 2010, and
3 \$68,583,200 for aid payable for calendar year 2011, ~~and \$61,724,900 for aid payable~~
4 ~~for calendar year 2012~~ and thereafter, to the eligible applicant that pays the local
5 contribution required under par. (b) 1. for an urban mass transit system that has
6 annual operating expenses of \$80,000,000 or more. If the eligible applicant that
7 receives aid under this subd. 6. cm. is served by more than one urban mass transit
8 system, the eligible applicant may allocate the aid between the urban mass transit
9 systems in any manner the eligible applicant considers desirable.

10 **SECTION 2.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. d. of the statutes, as affected by 2011 Wisconsin
11 Act 32, is amended to read:

12 85.20 (4m) (a) 6. d. From the appropriation under s. 20.395 (1) (hu), the
13 department shall pay \$17,496,400 for aid payable for calendar year 2010, and
14 \$18,021,300 for aid payable for calendar year 2011, ~~and \$16,219,200 for aid payable~~
15 ~~for calendar year 2012~~ and thereafter, to the eligible applicant that pays the local
16 contribution required under par. (b) 1. for an urban mass transit system that has
17 annual operating expenses in excess of \$20,000,000 but less than \$80,000,000. If the
18 eligible applicant that receives aid under this subd. 6. d. is served by more than one
19 urban mass transit system, the eligible applicant may allocate the aid between the
20 urban mass transit systems in any manner the eligible applicant considers desirable.

21 **SECTION 3.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 7. b. of the statutes, as affected by 2011 Wisconsin
22 Act 32, is amended to read:

23 85.20 (4m) (a) 7. b. For the purpose of making allocations under subd. 7. a., the
24 amounts for aids are \$25,099,500 in calendar year 2010, and \$25,852,500 in calendar
25 year 2011, ~~and \$23,267,200 in calendar year 2012~~ and thereafter. These amounts,

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1 to the extent practicable, shall be used to determine the uniform percentage in the
2 particular calendar year.

3 **SECTION 4.** 85.20 (4m) (a) 8. b. of the statutes, as affected by 2011 Wisconsin
4 Act 32, is amended to read:

5 85.20 (4m) (a) 8. b. For the purpose of making allocations under subd. 8. a., the
6 amounts for aids are \$5,681,600 in calendar year 2010, and \$5,852,200 in calendar
7 year 2011, ~~and \$5,267,000 in calendar year 2012~~ and thereafter. These amounts, to
8 the extent practicable, shall be used to determine the uniform percentage in the
9 particular calendar year.

10 **SECTION 5. Fiscal changes.**

11 (1) TIER B TRANSIT OPERATING AIDS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of
12 the statutes for the appropriation to the department of transportation under section
13 20.395 (1) (hr) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2011, the dollar amount is
14 increased by \$646,300 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this
15 subsection takes effect to increase funding for mass transit aids. In the schedule
16 under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of
17 transportation under section 20.395 (1) (hr) of the statutes, as affected by the acts
18 of 2011, the dollar amount is increased by \$2,585,300 for the second fiscal year of the
19 fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to increase funding for mass
20 transit aids.

21 (2) TIER C TRANSIT OPERATING AIDS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of
22 the statutes for the appropriation to the department of transportation under section
23 20.395 (1) (hs) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2011, the dollar amount is
24 increased by \$146,300 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this
25 subsection takes effect to increase funding for mass transit aids. In the schedule

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1 under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of
2 transportation under section 20.395 (1) (hs) of the statutes, as affected by the acts
3 of 2011, the dollar amount is increased by \$585,200 for the second fiscal year of the
4 fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to increase funding for mass
5 transit aids.

6 (3) TIER A-1 TRANSIT OPERATING AIDS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3)
7 of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of transportation under
8 section 20.395 (1) (ht) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2011, the dollar
9 amount is increased by \$1,714,600 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in
10 which this subsection takes effect to increase funding for mass transit aids. In the
11 schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the
12 department of transportation under section 20.395 (1) (ht) of the statutes, as affected
13 by the acts of 2011, the dollar amount is increased by \$6,858,300 for the second fiscal
14 year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to increase funding
15 for mass transit aids.

16 (4) TIER A-2 TRANSIT OPERATING AIDS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3)
17 of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of transportation under
18 section 20.395 (1) (hu) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2011, the dollar
19 amount is increased by \$450,500 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in
20 which this subsection takes effect to increase funding for mass transit aids. In the
21 schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the
22 department of transportation under section 20.395 (1) (hu) of the statutes, as
23 affected by the acts of 2011, the dollar amount is increased by \$1,802,100 for the

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1 second fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to
2 increase funding for mass transit aids.

3 (END)