

board of curators is not subject to s. 15.07. The board of curators shall consist of:

- (1) The governor, or his or her designee.
- (2) The speaker of the assembly or his or her designee chosen from the representatives to the assembly.
- (3) The president of the senate or his or her designee chosen from the members of the senate.
- (4) Three members nominated by the governor and with the advice and consent of the senate appointed for staggered 3-year terms.
- (5) Members selected as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the historical society. After July 1, 1986, the number of members on the board of curators selected under this subsection may not exceed 30.
- (6) One member of the senate from the minority party in the senate and one representative to the assembly from the minority party in the assembly, appointed as are members of standing committees in their respective houses.

History: 1983 a. 27.

15.705 Same; attached boards. (1) **BURIAL SITES PRESERVATION BOARD.** There is created a burial sites preservation board attached to the historical society under s. 15.03, consisting of the state archaeologist, as a nonvoting member, the director of the historical society if the director is not serving as the state historic preservation officer, the state historic preservation officer, or her or his formally appointed designee, who shall be a nonvoting member unless the director of the historical society is serving as the state historic preservation officer, and the following members appointed for 3-year terms:

(a) Three members, selected from a list of names submitted by the Wisconsin archaeological survey, who shall have professional qualifications in the fields of archaeology, physical anthropology, history or a related field.

(b) Three members who shall be members of federally recognized Indian tribes or bands in this state, selected from names submitted by the Great Lakes inter-tribal council and the Menominee tribe. Each such member shall be knowledgeable in the field of tribal preservation planning, history, archaeology or a related field or shall be an elder, traditional person or spiritual leader of his or her tribe.

(2) **HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD.** There is created a historic preservation review board attached to the historical society under s. 15.03, consisting of 15 members appointed for staggered 3-year terms. At least 9 members shall be persons with professional qualifications in the fields of architecture, archaeology, art history and history and up to 6 members may be persons qualified in related fields including, but not limited to, landscape architecture, urban and regional planning, law or real estate.

History: 1977 c. 29; 1979 c. 110; 1981 c. 237; 1985 a. 316; 1995 a. 27; 1995 a. 216 ss. 2j, 2k.

15.73 Office of commissioner of insurance; creation. There is created an office of the commissioner of insurance under the direction and supervision of the commissioner of insurance. The commissioner shall not:

- (1) Be a candidate for public office in any election;
- (2) Directly or indirectly solicit or receive, or be in any manner concerned with soliciting or receiving any assessment, subscription, contribution or service, whether voluntary or involuntary, for any political purpose whatever, from any person within or without the state; nor
- (3) Act as an officer or manager for any candidate, political party or committee organized to promote the candidacy of any person for any public office.

15.76 Investment board; creation. There is created a state of Wisconsin investment board, to be known for statutory pur-

poses as the investment board. The investment board shall consist of the following members:

(1) The secretary of administration, or the secretary's designee.

(1r) One member appointed for a 6-year term, who is a representative of a local government that participates in the local government pooled-investment fund under s. 25.50. The member shall be employed by the local government in a finance position and have had at least 10 years of financial experience, but may not be an elected official, an employee of a county with a population greater than 450,000 or an employee of a city, town or village with a population greater than 150,000. If the member appointed under this subsection loses the status upon which the appointment was based, he or she shall cease to be a member of the investment board.

(2) Five members appointed for staggered 6-year terms, 4 of whom shall have had at least 10 years' experience in making investments, but any person having a financial interest in or whose employer is primarily a dealer or broker in securities or mortgage or real estate investments is not eligible for appointment, and any member who acquires such an interest or accepts such appointment shall thereupon vacate his or her membership.

(3) Two participants in the Wisconsin retirement system appointed for 6-year terms, one of whom shall be a teacher participant appointed by the teacher retirement board and one of whom shall be a participant other than a teacher appointed by the Wisconsin retirement board.

History: 1981 c. 96; 1985 a. 29; 1991 a. 316; 1995 a. 274.

15.78 Public defender board. There is created a public defender board consisting of 9 members appointed for staggered 3-year terms. No member may be, or be employed on the staff of, a judicial or law enforcement officer, district attorney, corporation counsel, or the state public defender. At least 5 members shall be members of the State Bar of Wisconsin.

History: 1977 c. 29; 2001 a. 103.

15.79 Public service commission; creation. (1) There is created a public service commission consisting of one chairperson and 2 commissioners. The chairperson and any commissioner may not have a financial interest in a railroad, water carrier, or public utility. If the chairperson or a commissioner voluntarily becomes so interested, the chairperson's or commissioner's office shall become vacant. If the chairperson or commissioner involuntarily becomes so interested, the chairperson's or commissioner's office shall become vacant unless the chairperson or commissioner divests himself or herself of the interest within a reasonable time. The chairperson and each commissioner shall hold office until a successor is appointed and qualified.

(2) The chairperson and each commissioner of the public service commission may not do any of the following:

- (a) Be a candidate for public office in any election.
- (b) Directly or indirectly solicit or receive any contribution, as defined in s. 11.0101 (8), from any person within or outside of the state.
- (c) Act as an officer or manager for any candidate, political party, or committee organized to promote the candidacy of any person for any public office.
- (d) Serve on or under any committee of a political party.

History: 1979 c. 171; 2005 a. 179; 2011 a. 155; 2015 a. 55, 117.

A public service commissioner may attend a political party convention as a delegate. 61 Atty. Gen. 265.

15.795 Same; attached office. (1) **OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILROADS.** There is created an office of the commissioner of railroads which is attached to the public service commission under s. 15.03, provided that s. 85.02 (1) does not apply to the office of the commissioner of railroads. The commissioner of railroads shall have expertise in railroad issues and may not have a financial interest in a railroad, as defined in s. 195.02 (1), or a

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Cross–reference: See definitions in s. 24.01.

25.01 Definition. In this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, “board” means the investment board.

History: 1999 a. 83.

25.14 State investment fund. (1) (a) There is created a state investment fund under the jurisdiction and management of the board to be operated as an investment trust for the purpose of managing the securities of all funds that are required by law to be invested in the state investment fund and all of the state’s funds specified in s. 25.17 (1), except all of the following:

1. The state life fund.
2. The core retirement investment trust.
3. The variable retirement investment trust.
4. The capital improvement fund.
5. The bond security and redemption fund.
6. The state building trust fund.
7. The state housing authority reserve fund.
8. The children’s trust fund.
9. The injured patients and families compensation fund.
10. The tuition trust fund.
11. Funds that under [article X](#) of the constitution are controlled and invested by the board of commissioners of public lands.
12. Funds that are required by specific provision of law to be controlled and invested by any other authority.
13. The university trust funds.
14. The trust funds of the state universities.
15. The college savings program trust fund.
- 15b. The college savings program bank deposit trust fund.

15d. The college savings program credit union deposit trust fund.

15g. The permanent endowment fund.

15m. Any redemption fund established under s. 18.561 (5).

16. Any redemption fund established under s. 18.562 (3).

17. Any fund established under s. 18.57 (1).

18. The artistic endowment fund.

19. The local government property insurance fund.

(b) The respective authorities controlling the investment of any fund excluded under par. (a) may authorize the transfer of any temporary cash assets of any fund excluded under par. (a) to the state investment fund in accordance with subs. (2) and (3).

(2) At such time as the board determines, all of the securities held by any of the state’s funds, except those specifically excluded in sub. (1), shall be transferred, at the market value plus accrued interest as of the date of transfer, to the state investment fund together with such amounts of cash as may be required to provide each contributing fund an equity in the state investment fund which may be expressed in terms of even thousands of dollars. Thereafter, the department of administration shall make such subsequent transfers of money between the individual funds and the state investment fund as in its judgment is advisable and in accordance with cash requirements of the individual funds, such transfer to be made on the basis of even thousands of dollars, and it shall furnish to the board such information with respect to daily balances of individual funds within the investment fund as may be required.

(3) The department of administration, upon consultation with the board, shall distribute all earnings, profits, or losses of the state investment fund to each participating fund in the same ratio as each participating fund’s average daily balance within the state

investment fund bears to the total average daily balance of all participating funds, except as provided in s. 16.401 (14) and except that the department of administration shall credit to the appropriation account under s. 20.505 (1) (kj) an amount equal to the amount assessed under s. 25.19 (3) from the earnings or profits of the funds against which an assessment is made. Distributions under this section shall be made at such times as the department of administration may determine, but must be made at least semi-annually in each complete fiscal year of operation.

(4) The department of administration shall maintain such records as may be required to account for each contributing fund's share in the state investment fund.

(5) The assets of the state investment fund shall be invested as prescribed by s. 25.17 (3) (b), (ba), (bd), and (dg).

History: 1973 c. 137; 1977 c. 418; 1979 c. 102; 1983 a. 27, 192; 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 27; 1989 a. 31, 187; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27, 403; 1999 a. 83; 2001 a. 7, 16, 104; 2003 a. 33, 111; 2005 a. 153, 478; 2007 a. 20, 154, 170.

The investment board is an independent going concern not protected by sovereign immunity. *Bahr v. State v. Investment Board*, 186 Wis. 2d 379, 521 N.W.2d 152 (Ct. App. 1994).

25.15 Board; purpose and standard of responsibility.

(1) **PURPOSE.** The purpose of the board is to provide professional investment management of trusts, operating funds and capital funds established by law. It is the intent of the legislature that the board be an independent agency of the state which is to manage money and property for the state, its agencies and trust funds. The goal of board management shall be towards accomplishing the purpose of each trust or fund.

(2) **STANDARD OF RESPONSIBILITY.** Except as provided in s. 25.17 (2) and (3) (c), the standard of responsibility applied to the board when it manages money and property shall be all of the following:

(a) To manage the money and property with the care, skill, prudence and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a similar capacity, with the same resources, and familiar with like matters exercises in the conduct of an enterprise of a like character with like aims.

(b) To diversify investments in order to minimize the risk of large losses, unless under the circumstances it is clearly prudent not to do so, considering each trust's or fund's portfolio as a whole at any point in time.

(c) To administer assets of each trust or fund solely for the purpose of ensuring the fulfillment of the purpose of each trust or fund at a reasonable cost and not for any other purpose.

(3) **EXEMPTION.** Sections 112.11 and 881.01 do not apply to investments by the board.

(4) **INVESTMENTS WITHIN STANDARD OF RESPONSIBILITY.** Investments in reverse annuity mortgages may not be presumed to violate the standard of responsibility under sub. (2).

(5) **COMMISSIONS.** All records of commissions paid by the board for purchases and sales of investments are open to public inspection, except those relating to investments made or considered by the board in securities of entities that are in the venture capital stage.

History: 1983 a. 27; 1989 a. 31, 359; 1999 a. 83; 2001 a. 7; 2007 a. 212; 2009 a. 33; 2011 a. 32.

Cross-reference: See also chs. IB 1 and 2, Wis. adm. code.

The Investment Board has the power to make investments that meet the standard of prudence under s. 25.15 (2), even if those investments are not specifically listed in ch. 25. Prior to making investments other than the types enumerated in ch. 25, the board is not required to make a threshold finding that investing solely in the "legal list" would not meet the standard of prudence. The statutory standard for prudence remains the same whether the board is investing in an enumerated investment, or one that is not enumerated. Because the standard of prudence, however, takes into account the trustees' powers to manage the funds, the board's expanded powers are a relevant factor in evaluating whether the board has met that standard. *OAG 11-08*.

25.156 Powers and duties of members of the board.

(1) The members of the board shall be the governing body of the board and shall promulgate rules and formulate policies considered necessary and appropriate to carry out its functions.

(2) The board shall employ an executive director, who shall serve outside the classified service. The executive director shall

be qualified by training and prior experience to manage, administer and direct the investment of funds. The board shall fix the compensation of the executive director and may award bonus compensation.

(2m) The board shall employ an internal auditor, who shall serve outside the classified service. The board shall fix the compensation of the internal auditor.

(3) The members of the board shall appoint an investment director or the executive assistant to the executive director, internal auditor, chief investment officer, chief financial officer, chief legal counsel or chief risk officer to act as assistant director, except that until the appointment is made by the members of the board, the executive director may temporarily designate the assistant director.

(4) The members of the board shall promulgate rules restricting the executive director, executive assistant to the executive director, internal auditor, chief investment officer, chief financial officer, chief legal counsel, chief risk officer, investment directors and employees from having financial interest, directly or indirectly, in firms or corporations providing services to the department and governing the receipt of gifts or favors therefrom, and also governing personal investments of all employees including the executive director, executive assistant to the executive director, internal auditor, chief investment officer, chief financial officer, chief legal counsel, chief risk officer and investment directors to prevent conflicts of interest.

(5) The members of the board shall be the trustees of the state investment fund.

(8) The board shall keep full minutes of its proceedings.

(9) The chairperson of the board shall appear at least annually before any committee established in the senate, whose jurisdiction includes financial institutions, if that committee so requests.

History: 1979 c. 110; 1985 a. 332 s. 251 (1), (6); 1987 a. 399; 1991 a. 39; 1995 a. 274; 1997 a. 27, 35; 1999 a. 9, 83, 186.

Cross-reference: See also chs. IB 1 and 2, Wis. adm. code.

The board lacks authority to place one of its members or employees on the board of directors of a private corporation. *75 Atty. Gen. 213*.

25.16 Executive director. (1) The executive and administrative functions of the board, except for the functions performed by the internal auditor under s. 25.165 (2), shall be vested in an executive director, who shall perform the functions of executive director in conformity with the requirements of the members of the board and in accordance with policies, principles and directives determined by the members of the board.

(2) The executive director may appoint a chief legal counsel, chief financial officer, chief risk officer and not more than 11 investment directors and shall appoint a chief investment officer and all other employees necessary to carry out the functions of the board, except that the board shall appoint the internal auditor and shall participate in the selection of the chief investment officer and investment directors and the internal auditor shall appoint his or her staff. The executive director shall appoint all employees outside the classified service. Neither the executive director, the internal auditor, the chief investment officer, the chief legal counsel, the chief financial officer, the chief risk officer, any investment director nor any other employee of the board shall have any financial interest, either directly or indirectly, in any firm engaged in the sale or marketing of real estate or investments of any kind, nor shall any of them render investment advice to others for remuneration.

(3) The executive director may appoint an executive assistant. The executive assistant shall perform the duties prescribed by the executive director.

(4) The executive director shall take the official oath and the executive director, chief investment officer and each investment director shall file a bond for the faithful performance of that person's duties in such amount and with such sureties as the members of the board require.

(5) The assistant director shall act in place of the executive director in his or her absence or disability. The assistant director

shall take and file the official oath required of the executive director.

(6) All deeds, contracts and other documents which must be executed by or on behalf of the board shall be signed by the executive director. The executive director may delegate the authority to execute documents to other board employees. Where the board has an interest in property, the authority to execute leases as lessor may be delegated within leasing guidelines to outside managers retained pursuant to a written contract. The members of the board or the executive director may require the countersignature of an investment director or an investment supervisor on certain documents.

(7) The executive director shall fix the compensation of all employees appointed by the executive director, but the board may provide for bonus compensation to employees. All employees shall pay employee required contributions under s. 40.05 (1) (a) 1. or 2., whichever is appropriate, and shall pay the employee share of health insurance premiums as determined under s. 40.05 (4) (ag).

History: 1979 c. 110, 221; 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 27, 399; 1991 a. 39, 269, 316; 1995 a. 274; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9, 83, 186; 2011 a. 32.

Cross-reference: See also s. IB 1.07, Wis. adm. code.

25.165 Internal auditor. (1) There is created in the board an internal audit subunit, under the supervision of the internal auditor. The internal auditor shall report directly to the board and shall appoint all employees necessary to carry out the duties of the internal auditor. The internal auditor shall appoint all employees outside the classified service. The internal auditor shall fix the compensation of all employees appointed by the internal auditor, but the board may provide for bonus compensation to employees.

(2) The internal auditor may review any activity, information or investment of the board and have access to records of the board and any external party under contract with the board and shall do all of the following:

(a) Plan and conduct audit activities, risk assessments, research projects and management reviews under the direction of the board and in accordance with policies, principles and directives determined by the board.

(b) Coordinate and assist with external audits and reviews of the board.

(c) Monitor for compliance with applicable legal requirements and with the board's contractual agreements any bank, savings and loan association, savings bank or credit union with which the board has entered into a custodial agreement under s. 25.17 (11); any investment advisers with which the board has contracted to manage and control board assets under s. 25.18 (2) (e); and any other external parties with which the board has contracted to provide investment services to the board.

History: 1995 a. 274; 1999 a. 9, 83, 186; 2011 a. 32.

25.167 Chief investment officer. Under the supervision of the executive director, the chief investment officer shall do all of the following:

(1) Monitor activities of the investment directors for compliance with the board's investment policies and guidelines in investment decisions and approve unusual transactions, as defined by the board.

(2) Develop and implement operating procedures that are intended to ensure that the investment policies and guidelines of the board are followed.

(3) Ensure that investments are completely and accurately reported on all management and financial reports and that any information requested by the board is provided to the board on a timely basis.

History: 1995 a. 274.

25.17 Powers and duties of board. The "State of Wisconsin Investment Board" shall be a body corporate with power to sue and be sued in said name. The board shall have a seal with the

words, "State of Wisconsin Investment Board". Subject to s. 25.183, the board shall:

(1) Have exclusive control of the investment and collection of the principal and interest of all moneys loaned or invested from any of the following funds:

(ad) Agrichemical management fund (s. 25.465);

(af) Agricultural chemical cleanup fund (s. 25.468);

(afp) Agricultural college fund (s. 24.82), but subject to the terms of delegation under s. 24.61 (2) (c);

(ag) Agricultural producer security fund (s. 25.463);

(ai) Air quality improvement fund (s. 25.97);

(ak) Artistic endowment fund (s. 25.78);

(am) Benevolent fund (s. 25.31);

(an) Bond security and redemption fund (s. 18.09);

(ap) Budget stabilization fund (s. 25.60);

(ar) Capital improvement fund (s. 18.08);

(av) Children's trust fund (s. 25.67);

(ax) College savings program trust fund (s. 25.85), but subject to sub. (2) (f);

(axp) Common school fund (s. 24.76), but subject to the terms of delegation under s. 24.61 (2) (c);

(ay) College savings program bank deposit trust fund (s. 25.853), but subject to sub. (2) (f);

(az) College savings program credit union deposit trust fund (s. 25.855), but subject to sub. (2) (f);

(b) Conservation fund (s. 25.29);

(br) Core retirement investment trust (s. 40.04 (3));

(c) County mining investment fund (s. 25.65);

(cg) Critical access hospital assessment fund (s. 25.774);

(d) Dry cleaner environmental response fund (s. 25.48);

(e) Election administration fund (s. 25.425);

(en) Environmental fund (s. 25.46);

(g) General fund (s. 25.20);

(ge) Read to lead development fund (s. 25.79);

(gi) Heritage state parks and forests trust fund (s. 25.295);

(gm) Historical legacy trust fund (s. 25.72);

(gn) Historical society endowment fund (s. 25.73);

(gp) Historical society trust fund (s. 25.70);

(gr) History preservation partnership trust fund (s. 25.74);

(gs) Hospital assessment fund (s. 25.772);

(hm) Industrial building construction loan fund (s. 560.10, 2005 stats.);

(i) VendorNet fund (s. 25.61);

(j) Insurance security fund (s. 646.21 (2));

(jc) Investment and local impact fund (s. 70.395 (2) (b));

(je) Land information fund (s. 25.55);

(jg) Local government pooled-investment fund (s. 25.50);

(jm) Local government property insurance fund (ch. 605);

(jr) Lottery fund (s. 25.75);

(jv) Medical assistance trust fund (s. 25.77);

(jx) Military family relief fund (s. 25.38);

(k) Nuclear waste escrow fund (s. 25.469);

(ka) Natural resources land endowment fund (s. 25.293);

(kd) Normal school fund (s. 24.80), but subject to the terms of delegation under s. 24.61 (2) (c);

(kp) Injured patients and families compensation fund (s. 655.27);

(kr) Permanent endowment fund (s. 25.69);

(ks) Petroleum inspection fund (s. 25.47);

(ku) Police and fire protection fund (s. 25.99);

(kw) Property tax relief fund (s. 25.62);

(L) Public employee trust fund (s. 40.01);

(nm) Economic development fund (s. 25.49);

- (o) School fund income (s. 24.77);
- (p) Self-insured employers liability fund (s. 102.28 (8));
- (pg) State building trust fund (s. 25.30), except for the purpose and extent of loans to the Wisconsin State Public Building Corporation, the Wisconsin University Building Corporation, and the Wisconsin State Colleges Building Corporation, which are subject to sub. (2) (b);
- (q) State capitol restoration fund (s. 25.35);
- (r) State housing authority reserve fund (s. 25.41);
- (t) State life insurance fund (ch. 607);
- (tm) Support collections trust fund (s. 25.68);
- (v) Transportation fund (s. 25.40);
- (vm) Tuition trust fund (s. 25.80);
- (x) Unemployment administration fund (s. 108.20 (1));
- (xe) Unemployment interest payment fund (s. 108.19 (1q));
- (xf) Unemployment program integrity fund (s. 108.19 (1s));
- (xg) Uninsured employers fund (s. 102.80);
- (xL) Universal service fund (s. 25.95);
- (xLc) University fund (s. 24.81), but subject to the terms of delegation under s. 24.61 (2) (c);
- (xm) Utility public benefits fund (s. 25.96);
- (xn) Variable retirement investment trust (s. 40.04 (3));
- (xp) Veterans mortgage loan repayment fund (s. 45.37 (7));
- (xs) Veterans trust fund (s. 25.36), except loans to veterans;
- (ym) Waste management fund (s. 25.45);
- (yn) Wholesale drug distributor bonding fund (s. 25.315);
- (yo) Wireless 911 fund (s. 25.98);
- (yt) Wisconsin outdoor wildlife heritage trust fund (s. 25.297);
- (yv) Wisconsin veterans homes members fund (s. 25.37);
- (yx) Working lands fund (s. 25.466);
- (z) Work injury supplemental benefit fund (s. 102.65);
- (zd) Worker's compensation operations fund (s. 102.75);
- (zm) All other funds of the state or of any state department or institution, except funds which are required by specific provision of law to be controlled and invested by any other authority, and moneys in the University of Wisconsin trust funds, and in the trust funds of the state universities.

(2) (a) Invest any of the funds specified in sub. (1), except operating funds, the capital improvement fund and the bond security and redemption fund, in loans to the Wisconsin University Building Corporation, the Wisconsin State Colleges Building Corporation or the Wisconsin State Public Building Corporation, but only if the loans are secured by mortgages upon property owned by the respective corporations producing sufficient income to retire the mortgage over the term of the loan or are secured by the pledge of rentals sufficient in amount to retire the indebtedness. The board shall make no loans to any building corporation described in this subsection except under the conditions prescribed in this paragraph, or except as otherwise provided in par. (b). These loans shall be made only when in the judgment of the board it is to the interest of the funds to do so, except that loans made under par. (b) shall be made at the direction of the building commission.

(b) Invest the state building trust fund in loans to the Wisconsin State Public Building Corporation, to the Wisconsin University Building Corporation, and to the Wisconsin State Colleges Building Corporation. Except for interim loans for construction, or other temporary financing for the purchase of lands, planning, including both engineering and financing, and all other expenses incidental to any of the foregoing, loans under this paragraph shall be secured by a pledge and assignment of net revenues derived from the operation of buildings by the borrowing corporation on lands leased or conveyed to the corporation. Any loan under this paragraph shall be made upon the direction of the building commission.

(c) Invest the State Housing Authority reserve fund as directed by the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority in housing rehabilitation loan program bonds of the authority including subordinated bonds that may also be special obligations of the authority. In making the investment, the board shall accept the terms and conditions as the authority specifies and is relieved of any obligations relative to prudent investment of the fund, including those set forth under ch. 881.

(d) Invest the environmental improvement fund, and collect the principal and interest of all moneys loaned or invested from the environmental improvement fund, as directed by the department of administration under s. 281.59 (2m). In making investments under this paragraph, the board shall accept any reasonable terms and conditions that the department of administration specifies and is relieved of any obligations relevant to prudent investment of the fund, including those set forth under ch. 881.

(e) Invest the transportation infrastructure loan fund, and collect the principal and interest of all moneys loaned or invested from the transportation infrastructure loan fund, as directed by the department of administration under s. 85.52 (4m). In making investments under this paragraph, the board shall accept any reasonable terms and conditions that the department of administration specifies and is relieved of any obligations relevant to prudent investment of the fund, including those set forth under ch. 881.

(f) Invest the moneys belonging to the college savings program trust fund, the college savings program bank deposit trust fund, and the college savings program credit union deposit trust fund in a manner consistent with the guidelines established under s. 16.641 (2) (c), unless the moneys are under the management and control of a vendor selected under s. 16.255. In making investments under this paragraph, the investment board shall accept any reasonable terms and conditions that the college savings program board specifies and is relieved of any obligations relevant to prudent investment of the fund, including the standard of responsibility under s. 25.15 (2).

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, invest any funds that the building commission directs the board to invest by resolution under s. 18.04 (6) (c) as specified by such resolution. In making investments under this paragraph, the board shall accept the terms and conditions specified in the resolution and is relieved of any obligations relevant to prudent investment of the fund, including those set forth under s. 25.15 (2).

(3) (a) Invest the core retirement investment trust, state life fund, local government property insurance fund, veterans trust fund, and injured patients and families compensation fund in loans, securities, and any other investments authorized by s. 620.22, and in bonds or other evidences of indebtedness or preferred stock of companies engaged in the finance business whether as direct lenders or as holding companies owning subsidiaries engaged in the finance business. Investments permitted by sub. (4) are permitted investments under this subsection.

(b) Invest any of the funds over which it has investment authority, including but not limited to the state investment fund and surplus funds of the state building trust fund not invested under sub. (2) (b) and not in the state investment fund, in:

1. Direct obligations maturing within 10 years or less from the date of settlement, of the United States or its agencies, corporations wholly owned by the United States, the international bank for reconstruction and development, the international finance corporation, the inter-American development bank, the African development bank, the Asian development bank, the federal national mortgage association or any corporation chartered by an act of congress.

2. Securities maturing within 10 years or less from the date of settlement, guaranteed by the United States or, where the full faith and credit of the United States is pledged or, where securities are collateralized by government-insured investments or, where the securities are issued by a corporation created by act of congress and regulated by such act.

3. Unsecured notes of financial and industrial issuers maturing within 5 years or less from the date of settlement and having one of the 2 highest ratings given by a nationally recognized rating service, but if the corporation issuing such notes has any long-term senior debt issues outstanding which also have been rated, the rating must be one of the 3 highest ratings so given.

4. Certificates of deposit issued by banks located in the United States and by savings and loan associations, savings banks and credit unions located in this state.

5. Bankers acceptances accepted by banks located in the United States.

6. Direct obligations of or guaranteed by the government of Canada maturing within 2 years from the date of settlement provided that at the time of purchase the board enters into a contract with a bank or securities dealer in the United States or Canada providing that at the maturity of the obligation the Canadian dollars realized will be exchanged into U.S. dollars at a guaranteed rate of exchange.

7. Certificates of deposit of at least \$100,000 issued by solvent financial institutions in this state. The board shall promulgate rules to determine solvency on the basis of assets, capital, surplus, undivided profits and net worth of a financial institution.

8. Bonds issued by a local exposition district under subch. II of ch. 229.

9. Bonds issued by the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics Authority.

10. Bonds issued by a local professional baseball park district created under subch. III of ch. 229.

11. Bonds issued by a local professional football stadium district created under subch. IV of ch. 229.

12. Bonds issued by a local cultural arts district under subch. V of ch. 229.

13. Bonds issued by the Wisconsin Aerospace Authority.

(ba) Invest the funds included in the state investment fund created by s. 25.14 in loans upon collateral security in the form of direct obligations of the U.S. government having a maturity of 5 years or less where the principal amount of each such loan does not exceed 98 percent of the market value of such collateral security.

(bd) Have authority to invest any funds includable in the state investment fund in loans, securities or investments which are in addition to those permitted under any other statute but within the board standard of responsibility under s. 25.15 (2). The total amount of loans, securities and investments made under this paragraph may not exceed 10 percent of the aggregate value of all funds includable in the state investment fund under s. 25.14 (1) at the time that the investment is made.

(bh) Invest the core retirement investment trust and state life fund in loans secured by mortgages upon unencumbered and improved real property in the United States or Canada when such real estate is leased to a corporation or limited liability company incorporated, organized, or existing under the laws of the United States or any state, district or territory thereof, or Canada or any province thereof, whose income available for fixed charges for the period of 5 fiscal years next preceding the date of the investment has averaged not less than 1.5 times its average annual fixed charges applicable to such period, if there is pledged and assigned, either absolutely or conditionally, as additional security for the loan either the lease or sufficient of the rentals payable thereunder to repay the principal and interest of the loan within the unexpired term of the lease. Real property and leasehold estates are not encumbered within the meaning of this section by reason of the existence of unpaid assessments and taxes not delinquent, mineral, oil or timber rights, easements or rights-of-way for public highways, private roads, railroads, telegraph, telephone, electric light and power lines, drains, sewers or other similar easements or rights-of-way, liens for service and maintenance of water rights when not delinquent, party wall agreements, building restrictions, or other restrictive covenants or conditions, with or without a

reversionary clause, or leases under which rents or profits are reserved to the owner. The foregoing limitations and restrictions shall not apply to real estate loans which are insured under the national housing act by the federal housing administration or to real estate loans made under ch. 219, or insured under policies of insurance issued by responsible mortgage insurance companies.

(c) Have exclusive control of the investment and collection of the principal and interest of all funds of the historical society which are available for investment as determined by said society. The board may dispose of said investments and any other securities placed under its control by the historical society when in the judgment of the board it is for the best interest of the society to do so. The board may invest those funds of the society which are available for investment under ch. 881.

(d) Invest the funds of the state insurance property fund in investments permitted by s. 201.25, 1969 stats.

(dg) Have authority to invest in:

1. Direct obligations of the United States and of agencies of and corporations wholly owned by the United States, and direct obligations of federal land banks, federal home loan banks, central bank for cooperatives and banks for cooperatives or unincorporated cooperative associations, international bank for reconstruction and development, the international finance corporation, inter-American development bank, African development bank and Asian development bank, in each case maturing within one year or less from the date of investment.

2. Commercial paper maturing within one year or less from the date of investment and rated prime by the national credit office, if the issuing corporation has one or more long-term senior debt issues outstanding, each of which has one of the 3 highest ratings issued by Moody's investors service or Standard & Poor's corporation.

3. Certificates of deposit maturing within one year or less from the date of investment, issued by banks, credit unions, savings banks or savings and loan associations located in the United States and having capital and surplus of at least \$50,000,000.

(dm) Make loans secured by mortgages upon unencumbered and wholly or partly improved real property in the United States or Canada, or upon leasehold estates in improved real property therein. Real property and leasehold estates shall not be deemed to be encumbered within the meaning of this paragraph by reason of the existence of unpaid assessments and taxes not delinquent, mineral, oil or timber rights, easements or rights-of-way for public highways, private roads, railroad, telegraph, telephone, electric light and power lines, drains, sewers or other similar easements or rights-of-way, liens for service and maintenance of water rights when not delinquent, party wall agreements, building restrictions, or other restrictive covenants or conditions, with or without a reversionary clause, or leases under which rents or profits are reserved to the owner. No such loan shall exceed 75 percent of the then fair market value, including buildings, if any, mortgages to secure the same. If the value of the buildings constitutes any part of the security, such buildings shall be kept insured to an amount which, together with 75 percent of the value of the land, shall equal or exceed the loan. The foregoing limitations and restrictions shall not apply to loans made under ch. 219 or real estate loans which are insured in whole or in part by the federal housing administration or commercial mortgage insurers.

(dr) Invest the funds of the bond security and redemption fund only in direct obligations of the United States or its agencies, corporations wholly owned by the United States, the Federal National Mortgage Association, or any corporation chartered by an act of Congress, maturing in amounts and at times sufficient to pay the principal and interest payable from such fund during the calendar year.

(e) Sell investments from one fund to another when the board determines that it is necessary and desirable, and dispose of any investments when in their judgment it is to the best interest of these funds to do so.

(f) Every investment shall be held as an asset of the fund by which purchased and, except as otherwise provided by law, the loss or gain shall inure thereto.

(g) All loans, securities and other investments in which moneys of any such fund, including the general fund, are invested shall be under the management and control of the board.

(4) Invest the funds of the core retirement investment trust in loans, securities, or investments in addition to those permitted by any other statute including investments in corporations or limited liability companies which are in the venture capital stage. The aggregate of the loans, securities, and investments made under this subsection shall not exceed 15 percent of the admitted assets of that trust. Investments in corporations or limited liability companies which are in the venture capital stage shall not exceed 2 percent of the admitted assets of that trust.

(5) The limitations upon the percentage of the assets of any fund that are imposed by sub. (4) or any other statute shall not be applicable to investments made by the board of funds in the variable retirement investment trust created under s. 40.04 (3) and those investments shall be excluded in computing the assets to which the limitations imposed by sub. (4) apply. Assets of the variable retirement investment trust shall be invested primarily in equity securities that shall include common stocks, real estate or other recognized forms of equities whether or not subject to indebtedness, including securities convertible into common stocks and securities of corporations in the venture capital stage. The board may, however, temporarily invest assets of the variable retirement investment trust in investments that are authorized under sub. (3), but the assets so temporarily invested shall be replaced by equity securities at the earliest time considered by the board to be practicable considering the then existing condition of the securities market and other influential factors. Investments in securities of corporations that are in the venture capital stage shall not exceed 2 percent of the admitted assets of the variable retirement investment trust.

(6) Notwithstanding any other statute, transfers from the variable retirement investment trust to the core retirement investment trust under s. 40.04 (7) may be made in cash or securities or both as determined by the board. The board shall determine market values for securities in the variable retirement investment trust as of the close of business on the last working day preceding a transfer. If securities are transferred, to the extent determined feasible by the board, a proportionate amount of all securities in even hundreds of shares of stock or even thousands of par value of bonds in the variable retirement investment trust shall be transferred. The board may hold or sell the transferred securities as it determines appropriate considering market and economic conditions. Any limitation on the percentage of assets in common stocks or in the stock of one company does not apply to the transferred securities, except the board shall, at such time as it determines that market, economic and other conditions are appropriate to the sale of the securities, sell sufficient transferred securities so as to comply with percentage of asset limitations.

(7) Make all loans and investment purchases from any funds under its control in the name of the board, except that:

(a) Mortgages on real estate outside of this state may be made to, and the title to real estate outside of this state may be acquired in the name of, a trustee under a trust agreement between the board and a bank, credit union, savings and loan association, savings bank or trust company organized under the laws of the United States or any state having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$25,000,000; and any such mortgages or real estate acquired prior to June 24, 1966, may be assigned or conveyed to the trustee under an appropriate trust agreement between it and the board.

(b) Loans, securities and investments may be purchased or held in the name of, or transferred to nominees of one or more banks or trust companies meeting the requirements of this section under a custodial agreement between the board and each such bank or trust company. Any such bank or trust company shall be

organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and any such bank or trust company not located in Wisconsin shall have a combined capital surplus and undivided profits of at least \$100,000,000. Foreign loans, securities and investments may be purchased or held in the name of, or transferred to nominees of, foreign sub-custodians of any such bank or trust company.

(8) Accept, when necessary to protect a mortgage loan, a quitclaim deed or warranty deed to the mortgaged property in full satisfaction of the mortgage debt, and manage, operate, lease, exchange, sell and convey, by land contract, quitclaim deed or warranty deed, and grant easement rights in, any real property acquired by the board.

(9) Give advice and assistance requested by the board of commissioners of public lands or the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System concerning the investment of any moneys that under sub. (1) are excepted from the moneys to be loaned or invested by the investment board, and assign, sell, convey and deed to the board of commissioners of public lands or the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System any investments made by the investment board as may be mutually agreeable. The cost of any services rendered to the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin System under this section shall be charged to the fund to which the moneys invested belong and shall be added to the appropriation to the investment board in s. 20.536.

(9m) If contracted to do so by the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System, invest the moneys specified in s. 36.11 (11m) in accordance with the terms of the contract and the board's standard of responsibility specified in s. 25.15 (2).

(10) If a building constitutes any part of the security for a loan made by the board under s. 25.17 (3) (bh) or 620.22 (2), the building shall be kept insured for at least the unpaid amount of the loan or any larger amount that may be necessary to comply with any coinsurance clause inserted in or attached to the policy. When the full insurable value of the building is less than the unpaid amount of the loan, the building shall be kept insured for the full insurable value of the building.

(11) In order to promptly process investment transactions and receipts, have authority to establish and maintain accounts in its own name in those banks, savings and loan associations, savings banks and credit unions with which the board has entered into custodial agreements.

(12) Succeed to all of the duties, functions, and powers, property, documents, records, assets, liabilities and obligations of:

(a) The commissioner of insurance in the investment of the state insurance fund;

(b) The commissioner of insurance, the state treasurer, the secretary of state and the attorney general in the investment of the life fund;

(c) The state treasurer, the secretary of state and the attorney general in the investment of the soldiers' rehabilitation fund;

(d) All other state boards, commissions, departments, institutions and officers in the investment of any funds that under sub. (1) are to be loaned and invested by the board.

(13) Succeed to all of the property, documents, records and assets of the state annuity and investment board in the investment of the several funds that were under the control of the state annuity and investment board.

(13m) No later than 45 days after the end of each calendar quarter, submit a report to the department of administration, the cochairpersons of the joint legislative audit committee, and the cochairpersons of the joint committee on finance that identifies all of the following:

(a) All costs and expenses charged to funds during that calendar quarter, including a breakdown of the amount and percentage of assets managed under each type of dedicated and commingled account or partnership, and the change in the amount and percentage from the prior calendar quarter.

(b) All operating expenditures during that calendar quarter.

(c) The number of full–time equivalent positions created or abolished by the board under s. 16.505 (2g) during that calendar quarter.

(13r) Appear before the joint committee on finance, by the board’s executive director or by board personnel designated by the executive director, at the committee’s first quarterly meeting under s. 13.10 in each fiscal year to provide an update, for the current fiscal year and the succeeding fiscal year, of the board’s completed or projected operating budget changes, position authorization changes, assessment of the funds under management, and performance of the funds under management.

(14) As of December 31 of each year, make and file with the department of employee trust funds a report of the value of the assets of the core retirement investment trust and of the variable retirement investment trust, determined as of that date at market value for the variable retirement investment trust and on the following basis for the core retirement investment trust:

(a) Bonds and other evidences of debt and loans secured by mortgages having a fixed term and rate shall be valued at market value, except that if the board determines that a market value cannot readily be determined for any item, the item shall be valued at the outstanding principal balance.

(b) Preferred stocks shall be valued at current market value, but if no current market exists shall be valued at par.

(c) Real property that is leased to others shall be valued at market value, except that if the board determines that the market value cannot readily be assigned, the real property shall be valued at cost.

(d) Any preferred stock, bond, or mortgage that is in arrears or in default shall be assigned a value by the board that will approximate what the board in its sole discretion feels the asset is worth.

(e) All other investments shall be valued at market.

(g) With respect to all securities under pars. (a) to (e), the amount of any income or any adjustment in income shall be transferred to the current income account of the core retirement investment trust under s. 40.04 (3).

(14m) Annually, on or before March 31, submit to the joint legislative audit committee, to the joint committee on finance and to the chief clerk of each house, for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172 (3), a report including all of the following:

(ad) A description of the board’s annual investment goals and long–term investment strategies, including any changes in the goals and strategies from those in the previous year.

(am) An assessment of the board’s progress in meeting its annual investment goals.

(b) Information on the types of investments held by the board, including the market values of the investments and the degree of risk associated with the investments, the board’s use of derivatives, as defined in s. 25.183 (1) (a), any ventures by the board into new markets, any use of new investment instruments by the board and a comparison of the investment performance of the board to that achieved by a peer group of public and private entities that invest similar–sized funds.

(c) A discussion of the amounts and categories of investments made within the state, including the amounts and categories of investments described, and progress in meeting the objectives of the plan submitted, under sub. (70).

(14r) Upon adopting any change in the board’s investment policies or guidelines, submit to the joint legislative audit committee, to the joint committee on finance and to the chief clerk of each house, for distribution to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172 (3), a report summarizing the change in the investment policies or guidelines.

(15) For purposes of the power and authority of the board to make investments, the “admitted assets” of the core retirement investment trust or the variable retirement investment trust shall

be the total valuation of the assets of such trust as set forth in the last report made under sub. (14).

(17) No later than January 31 annually, submit a report to the joint committee on finance concerning the amount of credits generated by the board with brokerage firms during the preceding calendar year. The report shall contain a separate itemization of the amount of directed credits for services to be provided by the firm providing the credit and 3rd–party credits for services to be provided by any firm. The report shall include information regarding utilization of 3rd–party credits by the board.

(51) Annually, have the legislative audit bureau conduct a financial audit, including an assessment of the fair presentation of the financial statements and an evaluation of the internal control structure of the board. As part of the financial audit, the legislative audit bureau shall identify certain statutes and policies and guidelines adopted by the board and shall determine the extent of compliance by the board with the statutes, policies and guidelines. The board shall reimburse the legislative audit bureau for the cost of audits required to be performed under this subsection.

(51m) Biennially, have the legislative audit bureau conduct a performance evaluation audit that includes an audit of the board’s policies and management practices. The board shall reimburse the legislative audit bureau for the cost of audits required to be performed under this subsection.

(52) Maintain records from which it can determine the particular investments of the sinking funds of the bond security and redemption fund made under sub. (3) (dr) and the fair market value of such investments, and report this information to the department of administration at its request.

(61) Designate special depositories in which the secretary of administration or the state treasurer may make special deposits of funds, not exceeding the amount limited by the board, which shall be deposited subject to the depository’s rules and regulations relative to either savings accounts, time certificates of deposit, or open time accounts, as the case may be.

(65) Invest the industrial building construction loan fund under sub. (1) (hm) only on the basis specified in sub. (3) (b) or (ba).

(70) No later than December 31 of every even–numbered year, submit to the governor and to the presiding officer of each house of the legislature a plan for making investments in this state. The purpose of the plan is to encourage the board to make the maximum amount of investments in this state, subject to s. 25.15 and consistent with the statutory purpose of each trust or fund managed by the board. The plan shall discuss potential investments to be made during the succeeding 5 years beginning in the year after submittal of the plan, and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(b) Nonbinding management objectives for each year stated, as appropriate, as a dollar amount or as a percentage of the total amount of all investments made by the board, for the following:

1. The number and value of holdings of securities of entities headquartered or primarily located in this state.

2. The number and value of holdings of securities of entities with significant employment in this state.

3. The number and value of investments to be made annually in companies that are reasonably likely to use the moneys invested by the board to maintain or expand employment in this state. Such investments may include any of the following:

a. Loans to corporations and other organizations to maintain or expand operations in this state.

b. Purchases of new equity offerings by companies whose equities are not broadly traded on major exchanges, if the proceeds are to be used to maintain or expand operations in this state.

c. Purchases of real estate located in this state.

d. Purchases of certificates of deposit or similar instruments issued by financial institutions with substantial operations in this state.

- e. Investments in venture capital firms based in this state.
- f. Investments in venture capital firms based in other states, if those investments are to be used to purchase securities in companies located in this state.
- g. Investments in businesses headquartered in this state that have less than 500 employees.
- h. Other investments that the board determines will result in maintenance or expansion of employment in this state.

(c) Recommended actions to help the board meet its management objectives. The actions may include preparing and distributing informational materials, soliciting and reviewing proposals from venture capital investment firms located within or outside this state for investments in businesses in this state and soliciting investment proposals from businesses in this state.

(d) Comments solicited from the chief executive officer of the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and received by the board on or before November 30 of the year of submittal.

(71) (a) Before June 30, 2004, make an effort to commit to invest an amount not less than \$50,000,000 in venture capital investment firms. The amount that is committed to be invested under this paragraph shall be in addition to any amount that is invested in venture capital investment firms before July 30, 2002. In selecting the venture capital investment firms in which to make investments, the board is subject to the standard of responsibility under s. 25.15 (2) and shall consider all of the following factors:

1. The experience of the venture capital investment firms in making investments.
2. The commitment of the venture capital investment firms to making venture capital investments in health care, biotechnology, and other technological industries.
3. The willingness of the venture capital investment firms to make at least 75 percent of the investments in businesses headquartered in this state.
4. Whether the venture capital investment firms have a place of business in this state.
5. The overall experience of the venture capital investment firms in making investments in businesses that are in the venture capital stage.
6. The relationships that the venture capital investment firms have with technology transfer organizations, such as the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation, Inc.
7. The ability of the venture capital investment firms to do lead and follow-on investments.

(b) Nothing in this subsection limits the authority of the board to make any other investments that are otherwise authorized by law or restricts the authority of the board or any venture capital investment firm to make investments in any area of this state.

(72) Appoint the board's representatives to the committee under s. 16.295 (3) (a).

History: 1971 c. 41 s. 12; 1971 c. 74; 1971 c. 100 s. 23; 1971 c. 125 s. 522 (1); 1971 c. 164; 1971 c. 214 s. 147; 1971 c. 260 s. 92 (3) to (5); 1973 c. 117, 137, 151; 1973 c. 208 s. 17; 1973 c. 209, 333, 336; 1975 c. 26, 27, 39, 118, 147, 164, 180, 189, 200, 422; 1977 c. 29 ss. 439 to 439f, 1654 (1); 1977 c. 31, 107, 377, 418, 423; 1979 c. 32; 1979 c. 34 ss. 705 to 707b, 2102 (56) (a); 1979 c. 102; 1979 c. 109 s. 16; 1979 c. 221; 1979 c. 318 ss. 1 to 3; 1979 c. 361 s. 113; 1981 c. 20, 86; 1981 c. 96 ss. 18 to 21, 67; 1981 c. 169, 386; 1983 a. 27; 1983 a. 36 ss. 31, 96 (4); 1983 a. 81 s. 11; 1983 a. 83 s. 20; 1983 a. 142, 189, 192, 368, 410; 1985 a. 25, 29, 53, 120; 1985 a. 332 s. 251 (1); 1987 a. 27, 38, 119, 186, 252, 399; 1989 a. 13, 31, 64, 187, 307, 335, 359, 366; 1991 a. 32, 38, 39, 152, 174, 221, 269, 315; 1993 a. 16, 112, 263, 477; 1995 a. 27 ss. 1394m to 1396, 9116 (5); 1995 a. 56, 213, 227, 274, 403; 1997 a. 27, 35, 191; 1999 a. 9, 11, 63, 65, 83, 167, 196; 2001 a. 7, 13, 16, 92, 104, 109; 2003 a. 33, 35, 48, 91, 111, 299; 2005 a. 1, 22, 25, 74, 153, 172, 335, 441, 478; 2007 a. 20, 97, 125, 155, 170, 212, 226; 2009 a. 2, 28, 89, 190; 2011 a. 32, 166, 198, 257; 2013 a. 20; 2013 a. 36 s. 236m; 2013 a. 41; 2015 a. 55; 2015 a. 197 s. 51; 2015 a. 334 ss. 97, 100.

The investment board is an independent going concern not protected by sovereign immunity. *Bahr v. State v. Investment Board*, 186 Wis. 2d 379, 521 N.W.2d 152 (Ct. App. 1994).

The commingling of common stocks of various employee trust funds is not prohibited by sub. (3) (f). 59 Atty. Gen. 149.

The investment board may not, without authorization from the legislature, engage in "put" and "call" options on its stock portfolio. 60 Atty. Gen. 266.

The investment board has authority, under sub. (8), to contribute to a private improvement association for street improvements, if the improvements will directly benefit the board's property. 65 Atty. Gen. 85.

The investment board lacks authority to borrow money and secure that debt utilizing real estate owned by it as an asset of the fixed retirement trust. The board has authority to acquire encumbered real estate if the debt is assumed without recourse. 78 Atty. Gen. 189.

The Investment Board has the power to make investments that meet the standard of prudence under s. 25.15 (2), even if those investments are not specifically listed in ch. 25. Prior to making investments other than the types enumerated in ch. 25, the board is not required to make a threshold finding that investing solely in the "legal list" would not meet the standard of prudence. The statutory standard for prudence remains the same whether the board is investing in an enumerated investment, or one that is not enumerated. Because the standard of prudence, however, takes into account the trustees' powers to manage the funds, the board's expanded powers are a relevant factor in evaluating whether the board has met that standard. OAG 11-08.

25.18 Additional powers of board. (1) In addition to the powers and duties enumerated in s. 25.17, but subject to s. 25.183, the board may:

(a) Notwithstanding s. 20.930 and all provisions of subch. IV of ch. 16, except s. 16.753, employ special legal or investment counsel in any matters arising out of the scope of its investment authority. Section 16.753 does not apply to the employment of legal or investment counsel for the purpose of assisting the board with investments. The employment of special legal counsel shall be with the advice and consent of the attorney general whenever such special counsel is to be compensated by the board. Any expense of counsel so employed shall be borne by the fund for which the services shall be furnished.

(b) Execute instruments in which it agrees to indemnify against its failure to endorse payments of any kind which may be made upon notes, bonds, debentures or other securities or to indemnify the issuer of securities, whether it be the obligor thereon or a trustee or agent, against any loss which might be incurred as the result of the issuance or reissuance of securities to replace securities which have been lost, stolen, mutilated or destroyed.

(c) Secure insurance against burglary, robbery, theft or any other risks relating to any of the securities, properties or other investments owned or held by the board or any of the funds or trusts under its management. The board shall pay the costs of such insurance from the current income of the funds or trusts benefiting from the insurance.

(d) Liquidate or cause to be liquidated any corporation 100 percent of whose common stock is owned by the board, or operate such corporation until it can be liquidated to recoup the investment of the board, but such period shall not exceed 5 years.

(e) Take such action as may be necessary to make investments in mortgage loans or in the purchase of interests in real estate in any other state or in Canada, including but not excluding because of enumeration, qualifying to do business, filing reports, paying franchise, license or other fees and taxes, designating agents, designating an office and subjecting itself to suit.

(f) Maintain and repair any building or other structure or premises which it owns in fee or in which it owns the beneficial interest and, notwithstanding all provisions of subch. IV or V of ch. 16, except s. 16.753, it shall have exclusive authority to make such agreements and enter into such contracts as it deems necessary for such purpose. Section 16.753 does not apply to agreements and contracts entered into by the board for the purpose of assisting the board with investments. All noncapital costs under this paragraph shall be charged to the current income accounts of the funds having an interest in the building, structure or premises.

(g) Engage in financial transactions whereby bearer securities issued or guaranteed by the federal government or any of its agencies, which are owned by the board, are delivered to reputable and financially responsible dealers in the securities under an agreement which provides:

1. For the replacement of the securities with securities of the same kind and amount upon demand by the board;

2. For the payment to the board by the dealer of a commission, based upon the amount of the securities, for the period of time between the delivery of the securities to the dealer and the dealer's replacement of the securities; and

3. For the pledge and delivery by the dealer to the board of other securities issued or guaranteed by the federal government or any of its agencies, having a market value at the time of the pledge equal to at least the market value of the delivered securities, to guarantee the replacement of the securities.

(h) Sell stock, debentures or other securities which it has the right to acquire upon the exercise of conversion rights then owned by it.

(i) Engage in financial transactions whereby securities owned by the board, are delivered to reputable and financially responsible dealers under an agreement satisfactory to the board which provides for cash equal to the full current market value of the security as adjusted from time to time to changes in the market, and for replacement thereof with securities of the kind and amount upon demand by the board.

(j) Engage in financial transactions whereby securities owned by the board are delivered to reputable and financially responsible dealers under an agreement satisfactory to the board which provides for delivery to the board of other securities as collateral of at least equal value to the current market value of the security as adjusted from time to time to changes in the market, and for replacement of the original securities of the same kind and amount upon demand by the board.

(k) Engage in financial transactions whereby securities are purchased by the board under an agreement providing for the resale of such securities by the board to the original seller at a stated price together with a payment to the board of interest for the period the board holds the securities.

(m) Notwithstanding all provisions of subchs. IV and V of ch. 16, except s. 16.753, employ professionals, contractors or other agents necessary to evaluate or operate any property if a fund managed by the board has an interest in, or is considering purchasing or lending money based upon the value of, that property. Section 16.753 does not apply to the employment of any person for the purpose of assisting the board with investments. Costs under this paragraph shall be paid by the fund and charged to the appropriate account under s. 40.04 (3).

(n) For the purpose of protecting an investment or group of assets aggregated for investment purposes against a risk, to meet nonspeculative objectives relating to rates of return or cash flow requirements or for similar purposes, enter into a contract with any person whom the board considers to be creditworthy to exchange the nature of payments or assets due to be given or received between the parties.

(o) Invest any of the assets of the permanent endowment fund in any investment that is an authorized investment for assets in the core retirement investment trust under s. 25.17 (4) or assets in the variable retirement investment trust under s. 25.17 (5).

(p) Hold any of the assets in the permanent endowment fund in any of the following:

1. Evidences of indebtedness, including subordinated obligations, that are secured by tobacco settlement revenues, as defined in s. 16.63 (1) (c), and that are issued by a corporation or company established under s. 16.63 (3) or 231.215 or by the Wisconsin Health and Educational Facilities Authority.

2. Certificates or other evidences of ownership interest in all or any portion of tobacco settlement revenues, as defined in s. 16.63 (1) (c).

(2) In addition to the powers set forth in sub. (1) and s. 25.17, but subject to s. 25.183, the board may:

(a) Nominate employees, members, agents or other representatives of the board to serve as directors of corporations, companies, associations or any other legal entities and allow them to serve as such representing the board. Notwithstanding ss. 19.56

and 25.16 (2), members, agents or other representatives of the board, except employees, may retain any compensation paid to them as directors. An employee of the board who receives compensation for serving as a director shall deposit the compensation with the board.

(b) Have its employees, agents or other representatives represent the board in meetings of shareholders, limited liability companies, partnerships or associations.

(c) Have any of its employees serve as an officer of a corporation in which it owns voting stock, or have any of its employees serve as an officer of a company, joint venture or association, or as a manager of a limited liability company, in which it owns an interest.

(d) Insure against from the current income of any fund or trust, or pay out of current income of any fund or trust, amounts arising from any acts of employees, members or agents of the board acting as officers or directors of a company in which the board has invested the moneys in the fund or trust.

(e) 1. Contract with and delegate to investment advisers the management and control over assets from any fund or trust delivered to such investment advisers for investment in real estate, mortgages, equities, and debt and pay such advisers fees from the current income of the fund or trust being invested. Subject to subd. 2., no more than 20 percent of the total assets of the core retirement investment trust or 20 percent of the total assets of the variable retirement investment trust may be delivered to investment advisers to manage in accounts in which the board directly holds title to all securities purchased for the accounts. The board shall set performance standards for such investment advisers, monitor such investments to determine if performance standards are being met and if an investment adviser does not consistently meet the performance standards then terminate the contract with such investment adviser.

2. For the purpose of calculating the 20 percent limit under subd. 1., the board shall not include any appreciation on assets delivered to the investment advisers. The board shall also not include for this purpose shares or participation in mutual funds, index funds, commingled funds, partnership funds, or other similar collective investment instruments in which the board does not hold title to the underlying investments purchased by the manager of the fund or the collective investment instrument.

(3) Notwithstanding s. 19.45 (4), investment board employees may disclose information to other investment board employees who are also students participating in a program in the School of Business at the University of Wisconsin–Madison related to applied securities analysis, or participating in a comparable program, if the only use of the information unrelated to investment board purposes would be for purposes related to the program.

History: 1975 c. 39; 1983 a. 27, 192; 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 27, 399; 1989 a. 119, 338, 366; 1991 a. 39; 1993 a. 112; 1995 a. 274; 1999 a. 11, 83; 2001 a. 16, 104; 2003 a. 299; 2005 a. 25, 153, 410; 2009 a. 28.

25.182 Management authority for certain funds. In addition to the management authority provided under any other provision of law, and notwithstanding any limitation on the board's management authority provided under any other provision of law, the board shall have authority to manage the money and property of the core retirement investment trust and, subject to s. 25.17 (5), the variable retirement investment trust in any manner that does not violate the standard of responsibility specified in s. 25.15 (2).

History: 2007 a. 212.

The Investment Board has the power to make investments that meet the standard of prudence under s. 25.15 (2), even if those investments are not specifically listed in ch. 25. Prior to making investments other than the types enumerated in ch. 25, the board is not required to make a threshold finding that investing solely in the "legal list" would not meet the standard of prudence. The statutory standard for prudence remains the same whether the board is investing in an enumerated investment, or one that is not enumerated. Because the standard of prudence, however, takes into account the trustees' powers to manage the funds, the board's expanded powers are a relevant factor in evaluating whether the board has met that standard. OAG 11–08.

25.183 Certain investments prohibited. (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

(a) “Derivative” means any financial contract or other instrument that derives its value from the value or performance of any security, currency exchange rate or interest rate or of any index or group of any securities, currency exchange rates or interest rates, but does not include any of the following:

1. Any security that is traded on a national securities exchange or on an automated interdealer quotation system sponsored by a securities association registered under [15 USC 78o-3](#), et seq.

2. Any forward contract which has a maturity at the time of issuance not exceeding 270 days.

3. Any contract of sale of a commodity, as defined under [7 USC 2](#), for future delivery, or any option on such a contract, traded or executed on a designated contract market and subject to regulation under [7 USC 1](#) to [26](#).

4. Any security of an open-end management investment company or investment trust, if the investment company or investment trust is registered under [15 USC 80a-1](#) to [80a-64](#).

5. Any deposit held by a financial institution.

6. Any investment specifically authorized under s. [25.17 \(3\) \(b\)](#) and [\(ba\)](#).

6e. Any collateralized mortgage obligation or other asset-backed security which either has one of the 2 highest ratings given by a nationally recognized rating service or is backed or collateralized by insured instruments, guarantees or pledges of the federal government, this state or an agency of the federal government or this state.

6m. Any transaction permitted under s. [25.18 \(1\) \(n\)](#), if all of the following conditions are met at the time the transaction is entered into:

a. The counterparty to the transaction is rated in, or has outstanding long-term debt which is rated in, one of the 2 highest ratings given by a nationally recognized rating service.

b. The transaction is used only for specified hedging or interest rate risk reduction purposes.

c. All of the board’s payment obligations under the transaction are fully backed by distinctly identified assets held in the state investment fund.

7. Any financial contract or instrument that the board determines, by rule, is not a derivative.

(b) “Reverse repurchase agreement” means an agreement for the sale of securities by the board under which the board will repurchase those securities on or before a specified date and for a specified amount.

(2) DERIVATIVE INVESTMENTS. After May 7, 1996, the board may not purchase or acquire any derivative in the state investment fund except in accordance with rules promulgated by the board. Rules promulgated under this subsection may not permit the purchase or acquisition of derivatives in the state investment fund unless the purchase or acquisition is made for the purpose of reducing risk of price changes or of interest rate or currency exchange rate fluctuations with respect to investments held or to be held by the board.

(3) REVERSE REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS. After May 7, 1996, the board may not enter into any reverse repurchase agreement unless the repurchase of securities under the agreement is required to occur no later than the next business day.

History: 1995 a. 274.

25.184 Confidentiality of venture capital investment information. Information relating to investments made or considered by the board in securities of entities that are in the venture capital stage are not subject to public inspection, copying, or disclosure under s. [19.35](#) unless the information has been publicly released by another person.

History: 2011 a. 32.

25.185 Minority financial advisers and investment firms; disabled veteran-owned financial advisers and investment firms. (1) In this section:

(a) “Disabled veteran-owned financial adviser” means a financial adviser certified by the department of administration under s. [16.283 \(3\)](#).

(b) “Disabled veteran-owned investment firm” means an investment firm certified by the department of administration under s. [16.283 \(3\)](#).

(c) “Minority financial adviser” means a financial adviser certified by the department of administration under s. [16.287 \(2\)](#).

(d) “Minority investment firm” means an investment firm certified by the department of administration under s. [16.287 \(2\)](#).

(2) (a) The board shall attempt to ensure that 5 percent of the total funds expended for financial and investment analysis and for common stock and convertible bond brokerage commissions in each fiscal year is expended for the services of minority financial advisers or minority investment firms.

(b) The board shall attempt to ensure that at least 1 percent of the total funds expended for financial and investment analysis and for common stock and convertible bond brokerage commissions in each fiscal year is expended for the services of disabled veteran-owned financial advisers or disabled veteran-owned investment firms.

(3) The board shall annually report to the department of administration the total amount of moneys expended under sub. (2) for common stock and convertible bond brokerage commissions, the services of minority and disabled veteran-owned financial advisers, and the services of minority and disabled veteran-owned investment firms during the preceding fiscal year.

History: 1987 a. 27; 1995 a. 27 s. 9116 (5); 1999 a. 83; 2009 a. 299; 2011 a. 32; 2011 a. 260 s. 80; 2013 a. 192.

25.186 Broker-dealers located in this state. (1) In this section:

(a) “Broker-dealer” has the meaning given in s. [551.102 \(4\)](#).

(b) “Securities trading brokerage commission” means any commission or fee paid on or for a brokered security transaction, a purchase of a security or any other kind of trade of a security.

(c) “Security” has the meaning given in s. [551.102 \(28\)](#).

(2) (a) Of the total funds that are expended by the board for securities trading brokerage commissions in any fiscal year, the board shall pay at least 5 percent of the total funds in securities trading brokerage commissions to broker-dealers that are registered under s. [551.406](#), that are headquartered in this state and whose principal business operations are located in this state.

(b) For the purpose of satisfying the requirement under par. (a), the board may not include any securities trading brokerage commissions paid to minority financial advisers and minority investment firms under s. [25.185](#).

(3) Annually, no later than September 30, the board shall submit a report to the department of administration documenting the amount of moneys expended in the preceding fiscal year by the board for securities trading brokerage commissions and the amount of moneys paid in the preceding fiscal year for securities trading brokerage commissions to broker-dealers under sub. (2) (a).

History: 1999 a. 9; 2007 a. 196.

25.187 Operating expenditures. (1) In this section, “operating expenditures” include all costs and expenses incurred by the investment board for the purpose of operating the board and managing the assets of each fund for which the board has management responsibility, but does not include costs or expenses incurred under s. [25.18 \(1\) \(a\)](#), [\(c\)](#), [\(f\)](#) or [\(m\)](#) or [\(2\) \(d\)](#) or [\(e\)](#) or [40.04 \(3\) \(intro.\)](#).

(2) (a) On September 1 of each year, the investment board shall assess each fund for which the board has management responsibility for its share of the board’s operating expenditures

for the current fiscal year in an equitable manner. The board shall pay the assessment from the current income of each fund, unless an appropriation is made for payment of the assessment, in which case the assessment shall be paid from that appropriation account.

(b) The investment board may establish the operating budget for operating expenditures and monitor the fiscal management of this operating budget.

(3) The investment board shall transmit a notice of each assessment to each fund at the time that the assessment is made, and shall transmit a statement of the board's actual expenditures for management of each fund at the close of each fiscal year both to the state agency having primary responsibility for expenditure of principal or earnings of the fund and to the department of administration or, if there is no state agency, only to the department of administration.

History: 1999 a. 9, 185; 2005 a. 25, 153; 2007 a. 20; 2011 a. 32.

25.19 Treasurer; bond; deposit of securities; cash management. (1) The state treasurer shall be the treasurer of the board and shall give an additional bond in the amount and with the corporate sureties required and approved by the board, the cost of which shall be borne by the board.

(1m) Any of the securities purchased by the board for any of the funds whose investment is under the control of the board may be deposited by the board in vaults or other safe depositories either in or outside of this state.

(3) The secretary of administration shall, at the direction of the depository selection board under s. 34.045 (1) (bm), allocate bank service costs to the funds incurring those costs.

(4) The secretary of administration shall provide advice to state agencies concerning efficient cash management practices.

History: 1979 c. 110; 1989 a. 31; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27; 1999 a. 83; 2003 a. 33, 320.

25.20 General fund. All moneys in the state treasury not specifically designated in any statute as belonging to any other funds constitute the general fund.

25.29 Conservation fund. (1) There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the conservation fund to consist of:

(a) Except as provided in ss. 25.293 and 25.295, all moneys accruing to the state for or in behalf of the department under chs. 26, 27, 28, 29, 169, and 350, subchs. I and VI of ch. 77 and ss. 23.09 to 23.31, 23.325, 23.33, 23.335, except as provided in s. 25.40 (1) (bt), 23.35 to 23.42, 23.50 to 23.99, 30.50 to 30.55, 70.58, 71.10 (5), 71.30 (10), and 90.21, including grants received from the federal government or any of its agencies except as otherwise provided by law.

NOTE: Par. (a) is shown as amended eff. 10–1–16 by 2015 Wis. Act 170. Prior to 10–1–16 it reads:

(a) Except as provided in ss. 25.293 and 25.295, all moneys accruing to the state for or in behalf of the department under chs. 26, 27, 28, 29, 169, and 350, subchs. I and VI of ch. 77 and ss. 23.09 to 23.31, 23.325 to 23.42, 23.50 to 23.99, 30.50 to 30.55, 70.58, 71.10 (5), 71.30 (10), and 90.21, including grants received from the federal government or any of its agencies except as otherwise provided by law.

(b) One percent of all sales and use taxes under s. 77.61 (1) on all-terrain vehicles, utility terrain vehicles, boats and snowmobiles collected under ss. 23.33, 30.52 (4), 350.12 and 350.122.

(c) For fiscal year 1992–93, and for each fiscal year thereafter, an amount equal to the estimated motorboat gas tax payment multiplied by 1.4. Except for fiscal years 2007–08, 2008–09, and 2009–10, the estimated motorboat gas tax payment is calculated by multiplying the number of motorboats registered under s. 30.52 on January 1 of the previous fiscal year by 50 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on April 1 of the previous fiscal year. For fiscal years 2007–08, 2008–09, and 2009–10, the estimated motorboat gas tax payment is calculated by multiplying the number of motorboats registered under s. 30.52 on January 1 of the previous fiscal year by 50.5 gal-

lons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on April 1 of the previous fiscal year.

(d) 1m. An amount equal to the estimated snowmobile gas tax payment.

2m. For fiscal years before fiscal year 2013–14, the estimated snowmobile gas tax payment is the sum of the following amounts:

a. An amount calculated by multiplying the number of snowmobiles registered under s. 350.12 or 350.122 on the last day of March of the previous fiscal year by 50 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on the last day of March of the previous fiscal year.

b. An amount equal to 40 percent of the amount calculated under subd. 2m. a.

3. For fiscal year 2013–14, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the estimated snowmobile gas tax payment is the sum of the following amounts:

a. An amount calculated by multiplying the number of snowmobiles registered under s. 350.12 or 350.122 on the last day of March of the previous fiscal year by 50 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on the last day of March of the previous fiscal year.

b. An amount equal to 55 percent of the amount calculated under subd. 3. a.

(dm) 1. An amount equal to the estimated all-terrain vehicle gas tax payment.

2. For fiscal years before fiscal year 2013–14, the estimated all-terrain vehicle gas tax payment is calculated by multiplying the sum of the number of all-terrain vehicles registered for public use under s. 23.33 (2) (c) or (2g) and the number of reflectorized plates issued under s. 23.33 (2) (dm), 2009 stats., on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year by 25 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year.

3. For fiscal year 2013–14, the estimated all-terrain vehicle gas tax payment is calculated by multiplying the sum of the number of all-terrain vehicles registered for public use under s. 23.33 (2) (c) or (2g), the number of reflectorized plates issued under s. 23.33 (2) (dm), 2009 stats., and the number of commercial all-terrain vehicle registration decals issued under s. 23.33 (2) (dm) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year by 25 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year.

4. For fiscal year 2014–15, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the estimated all-terrain vehicle gas tax payment is calculated by multiplying the sum of the number of all-terrain vehicles registered for public use under s. 23.33 (2) (c) or (2g) and the number of commercial all-terrain vehicle registration decals issued under s. 23.33 (2) (dm) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year by 25 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year.

(dr) For fiscal year 2013–14 and for each fiscal year thereafter, an amount equal to the estimated utility terrain vehicle gas tax payment. The estimated utility terrain vehicle gas tax payment is calculated by multiplying the sum of the number of utility terrain vehicles registered for public use under s. 23.33 (2) (c) or (2g) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year by 25 gallons and multiplying that product by the excise tax imposed under s. 78.01 (1) on the last day of February of the previous fiscal year.

(e) An amount equal to the amounts expended under s. 20.370 (7) (aq).

(f) Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 5., 7., and 12.

(1m) There is established in the conservation fund a separate account that is designated the snowmobile account and that consists of the moneys paid into the conservation fund under s. 20.855 (4) (t) and the moneys collected under s. 350.12.

(2) License fees and other state moneys collected by each field employee of the department shall be remitted to the department

within one month after receipt together with a report of the number of licenses issued and details covering the type and the amount of money remitted.

(3) Funds accruing to the conservation fund from license fees paid by hunters and from sport and recreation fishing license fees shall not be diverted for any other purpose than the administration of the department when it is exercising its responsibilities that are specific to the management of the fish and wildlife resources of this state.

(3m) (a) The total amount that the department may expend for a given fiscal year from the fish and wildlife account of the conservation fund for administrative costs may not exceed 16 percent of the expenditures from that account for that fiscal year.

(b) For purposes of par. (a), administrative costs consist of the costs incurred in the administration of the department and its divisions and in providing support services for the department.

(4) No money shall be expended or paid from the conservation fund except in pursuance of an appropriation by law.

(4m) No moneys that accrue to the state for or in behalf of the department under ch. 29 or 169 or s. 90.21 may be expended or paid for the enforcement of the treaty-based, off-reservation rights to fish held by members of federally recognized American Indian tribes or bands domiciled in Wisconsin.

(5) A gift or bequest shall be used in accordance with the directions of the donor.

(6) All moneys received from the United States for fire prevention and control, forest planting, and other forestry activities, for wildlife restoration projects and fish restoration and management projects, and for other purposes shall be devoted to the purposes for which these moneys are received.

(7) All of the proceeds of the tax which is levied under s. 70.58, and all moneys paid into the state treasury as the counties' share of compensation of emergency fire wardens under s. 26.14 shall be used for acquiring, preserving and developing the forests of the state, including the acquisition of lands owned by counties by virtue of any tax deed and of other lands suitable for state forests, and for the development of lands so acquired and the conduct of forestry thereon, including the growing and planting of trees; for forest and marsh fire prevention and control; for grants to forestry cooperatives under s. 36.56; for compensation of emergency fire wardens; for maintenance, permanent property and forestry improvements; for other forestry purposes authorized by law and for the payment of aid for forests as authorized in s. 28.11 and subchs. I and VI of ch. 77.

(a) Eight percent of the tax levied under s. 70.58 or of the funds provided for in lieu of the levy shall be used to acquire and develop forests of the state for the purposes or capable of providing the benefits described under s. 28.04 (2) within areas approved by the department and the governor and located within the region composed of Manitowoc, Calumet, Winnebago, Sheboygan, Fond du Lac, Ozaukee, Washington, Dodge, Milwaukee, Waukesha, Jefferson, Racine, Kenosha, Walworth, Rock and Outagamie counties.

(b) An additional 4 percent of the tax levied under s. 70.58 or of the funds provided in lieu of the levy shall be used to purchase forests for the state for the purposes or capable of providing the benefits described under s. 28.04 (2) within areas approved by the department and the governor and located within the region specified under par. (a).

History: 1971 c. 125; 1973 c. 90; 1977 c. 29; 1977 c. 418 ss. 244, 245, 929 (37); 1979 c. 34 ss. 707v, 2102 (39) (a); 1979 c. 221; 1979 c. 361 s. 113; 1983 a. 27 ss. 636m, 637, 2202 (38); 1985 a. 29 ss. 638g, 3202 (39); 1985 a. 135; 1987 a. 27; 1987 a. 312 s. 17; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39, 269; 1995 a. 27; 1995 a. 257 s. 3; 1997 a. 1, 27, 248; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16, 56, 105; 2003 a. 166; 2007 a. 204; 2009 a. 28; 2011 a. 208; 2013 a. 20; 2015 a. 170.

25.293 Natural resources land endowment fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the natural resources land endowment fund, to consist of:

(1) All gifts, grants or bequests made to the natural resources land endowment fund. The department of natural resources may convert any noncash gift, grant or bequest into cash for deposit into the fund.

(2) All interest and other income generated from these gifts, grants and bequests.

History: 1999 a. 9.

25.295 Heritage state parks and forests trust fund.

(1) There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the heritage state parks and forests trust fund, to consist of:

(a) All gifts, grants or bequests or other contributions made to the heritage state parks and forests trust fund. The department of natural resources may convert any noncash gift, grant, bequest or other contribution into cash.

(b) Notwithstanding s. 23.15 (4), all moneys received by the department of natural resources from utility easements on property located in the state park system, a southern state forest, as defined in s. 27.016 (1) (c), or a state recreation area under ss. 23.09 (10), 27.01 (2) (g) and 28.02 (5).

History: 1995 a. 27.

25.297 Wisconsin outdoor wildlife heritage trust fund.

There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the Wisconsin outdoor wildlife heritage trust fund, to consist of all gifts, grants, or bequests or other contributions made to the Wisconsin outdoor wildlife heritage trust fund.

History: 2001 a. 92.

25.30 State building trust fund. The state building trust fund consists of all appropriations or transfers made thereto by the legislature, together with all donations, gifts, bequests or contributions of money or other property, all restored advances and all investment income.

History: 1979 c. 221.

25.31 Benevolent fund. The benevolent fund, amounting to the principal sum of \$13,500, transferred to the state by chapter 636, laws of 1917, constitutes a separate trust fund and shall be conserved and applied as follows:

(1) First: The principal of said trust fund shall be held by the secretary of administration, and be invested and reinvested as provided in this chapter.

(2) Second: The income of said trust fund shall be used and expended exclusively for the benefit of girls committed to the Wisconsin School for Girls, or such other institutions as the state may hereafter establish and maintain for the care, custody and education of girls of the classes now or hereafter authorized by law to be committed to said institution, in providing healthful and instructive recreation and amusements, furnishing advance educational facilities for such of them as show special fitness therefor, providing needed medical or surgical care in exceptional cases, and other similar purposes; but no part of said income shall be used for defraying any of the ordinary expenses of any such institution.

(3) Third: The income shall be disbursed from the state treasury only upon warrants issued on certifications by the department of corrections upon the recommendation of the superintendent or other managing officer of such school or other institution.

History: 1981 c. 390 s. 252; 1985 a. 135; 1989 a. 31, 107; 1995 a. 27; 2003 a. 33.

25.315 Wholesale drug distributor bonding fund.

There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the wholesale drug distributor bonding fund to consist of moneys paid to the state under s. 450.071 (5) to secure payment of fees or costs that relate to the issuance of a license to engage in the wholesale distribution of prescription drugs.

History: 2007 a. 20.

25.35 State capitol restoration fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the state capitol restoration fund, to consist of all monetary public and private gifts, grants and bequests received by the state capitol and executive residence board under s. 16.83 (2) (e).

History: 1993 a. 477.

25.36 Veterans trust fund. (1) Except as provided in sub. (2), all moneys appropriated or transferred by law shall constitute the veterans trust fund which shall be used for the lending of money to the mortgage loan repayment fund under s. 45.37 (5) (a) 12. and for the veterans programs under ss. 20.485 (2) (m), (tm), (u), (vy), and (z), and (5) (mn), (v), (vo), and (zm), 45.03 (19), 45.07, 45.20, 45.21, 45.40 (1m), 45.41, 45.42, 45.43, and 45.82 and administered by the department of veterans affairs, including all moneys received from the federal government for the benefit of veterans or their dependents, and for the veteran grant jobs pilot program under s. 38.31 administered by the technical college system board; all moneys paid as interest on and repayment of loans under the post-war rehabilitation fund; soldiers rehabilitation fund, veterans housing funds as they existed prior to July 1, 1961; all moneys paid as interest on and repayment of loans under this fund; all moneys paid as expenses for, interest on, and repayment of veterans trust fund stabilization loans under s. 45.356, 1995 stats.; all moneys paid as expenses for, interest on, and repayment of veterans personal loans; the net proceeds from the sale of mortgaged properties related to veterans personal loans; all mortgages issued with the proceeds of the 1981 veterans home loan revenue bond issuance purchased with moneys in the veterans trust fund; all moneys received from the state investment board under s. 45.42 (8) (b); all moneys received from the veterans mortgage loan repayment fund under s. 45.37 (7) (a) and (c); and all gifts of money received by the board of veterans affairs for the purposes of this fund.

(2) Any moneys appropriated or transferred by law for programs other than those listed under sub. (1) after April 23, 1994, shall be repaid from the state general fund with interest at a rate of 5 percent per year computed from the date of the appropriation or transfer to the date of repayment.

History: 1993 a. 16, 254; 1995 a. 27, 255; 1997 a. 27; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33, 83; 2005 a. 22, 25; 2009 a. 113; 2011 a. 32; 2013 a. 20; 2015 a. 55.

25.37 Wisconsin veterans homes members fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the Wisconsin veterans homes members fund. The fund shall consist of moneys belonging to persons residing in Wisconsin veterans homes, that are paid to the homes, and that are transferred into the fund by the department of veterans affairs under s. 45.51 (8).

History: 1991 a. 39; 1999 a. 63; 2005 a. 22.

25.38 Military family relief fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the military family relief fund. The fund shall consist of money deposited in the fund under s. 71.10 (5i) (i), together with all donations, gifts, or bequests made to the fund.

History: 2009 a. 28.

25.40 Transportation fund. (1) The separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the transportation fund shall consist of the following:

(a) All collections of the department of transportation and all moneys transferred under s. 84.59 (3) except all of the following:

1. Net sales taxes as determined in s. 77.61 (4) (c).
2. Other revenues specified in ch. 218 derived from the issuance of licenses under the authority of the division of banking which shall be paid into the general fund.
3. Revenues collected under ss. 341.09 (2) (d), (2m) (a) 1., (4), and (7), 341.14 (2), (2m), (6) (d), (6m) (a), (6r) (b) 2., (6w), and (8), 341.145 (3), 341.16 (1) (a) and (b), (2), (2e), and (2m), 341.17 (8), 341.19 (1), 341.25, 341.255 (1), (2) (a), (b), and (c), and (5), 341.26 (1), (2), (2m) (am) and (b), (3), (3m), (4), (5), and (7),

341.264 (1), 341.265 (1), 341.266 (2) (b) and (3), 341.268 (2) (b) and (3), 341.269 (2) (b), 341.30 (3), 341.305 (3), 341.307 (4) (a), 341.308 (3), 341.36 (1) and (1m), 341.51 (2), and 342.14 that are pledged to any fund created under s. 84.59 (2).

3m. Revenues collected under s. 343.21 (1) (jr) which shall be paid into the general fund.

4. Moneys paid to the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 4.

4g. Fees collected under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 9. that are deposited in the veterans trust fund.

4m. Moneys received from telecommunications providers or cable television telecommunications service providers that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (3) (jh).

7. Fees collected under s. 85.14 (1) (a) that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.395 (5) (cg).

10. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 5. that are deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (fs).

11. Fees collected under s. 342.07 (3) (a) that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (ch).

12. Fees collected under s. 341.45 (1g) (a) that are required under s. 341.45 (4m) to be deposited in the petroleum inspection fund.

13. Moneys received under s. 110.065 that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (dh).

13m. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 3. or (fm) 2. that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.395 (5) (cj).

14. Fees received under ss. 85.51, 348.105, and 348.26 (2) that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (dg).

15. Moneys received under s. 85.52 that are deposited in the transportation infrastructure loan fund.

16. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 6. that are deposited in the fund established under s. 48.982 (2e) (a) 2.

18. Moneys received under s. 85.12 that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (dk) or (dL).

19. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 7. that are deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.370 (5) (au).

20. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 8. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation accounts under s. 20.395 (1) (ig) and (5) (cL).

21. Moneys received as payment for losses of and damage to state property for costs associated with repair or replacement of such property that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (3) (jj).

22. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 10. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.435 (1) (gi).

23. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 9m. that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation accounts under s. 20.380 (1) (ig) and (ir).

24. Moneys received under ss. 341.14 (6r) (b) 11. and 343.21 (1) (o) that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.435 (1) (g).

25. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 12. that are deposited in the conservation fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.370 (1) (fs).

26. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 13. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation accounts under ss. 20.395 (5) (ej) and 20.835 (4) (gb).

27. Moneys received under s. 344.63 (1) (d) that are deposited in a trust account for the benefit of the depositors and claimants.

28. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 14. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (eg).

29. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 14m. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (eh).

30. Moneys received under s. 85.63 (2) that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (3) (jg).

30m. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 15. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.485 (1) (gf).

30r. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 16. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (ei).

31. Fees received under s. 84.01 (36) (d) that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (3) (eg).

32. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (fm) 8. a. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (eL).

NOTE: Subd. 32. is created eff. 10–1–16 by 2015 Wis. Act 227.

32g. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 17. that are deposited into the general fund.

NOTE: Subd. 32g. was created as subd. 32. by 2015 Wis. Act 296 and renumbered to subd. 32g. by the legislative reference bureau under s. 13.92 (1) (bm).

32m. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 17m. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (gh).

NOTE: Subd. 32m. was created as subd. 32. by 2015 Wis. Act 328 and renumbered to subd. 32m. by the legislative reference bureau under s. 13.92 (1) (bm) 2. The cross-references to ss. 20.395 (5) (gh) and 341.14 (6r) (b) 17m. were changed from ss. 20.395 (5) (eL) and 341.14 (6r) (b) 17. by the legislative reference bureau under s. 13.92 (1) (bm) 2. to reflect the renumbering under s. 13.92 (1) (bm) 2. of ss. 20.395 (5) (eL) and 341.14 (6r) (b) 17., as created by 2015 Wis. Act 328.

33. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 18. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (fg).

34. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 19. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (fh).

35. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 20. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (fi).

36. Moneys received under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 21. that are deposited into the general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (fj).

(b) Motor vehicle fuel and general aviation fuel taxes and other revenues collected under ch. 78 minus the costs of collecting delinquent taxes under s. 73.03 (28).

(bm) The state rental vehicle fee under subch. XI of ch. 77.

(bt) Moneys received by the department of natural resources under s. 23.335 (4) (d) and (e) and (5) (e).

NOTE: Par. (bt) is created eff. 10–1–16 by 2015 Wis. Act 170.

(c) Taxes on air carrier companies and railroad companies under ch. 76 and aircraft registration fees under s. 114.20.

(cd) All moneys transferred to the transportation fund from the appropriation account under s. 20.855 (4) (fm).

(ce) All moneys transferred to the transportation fund from the appropriation account under s. 20.855 (4) (fr).

(cg) All moneys transferred to the transportation fund from the appropriation account under s. 20.855 (4) (w).

(e) All moneys paid into the state treasury by any local unit of government or other sources for transportation purposes.

(f) All federal aid for aeronautics, highways and other transportation purposes made available by any act of congress, subject to applicable federal regulations, except all of the following:

1. Moneys received from the federal government, for the regulation of railroads and water carriers, that are deposited in the general fund and credited to the appropriation under s. 20.155 (2) (m).

2. Moneys received under s. 106.26 that are deposited in the general fund.

(g) The investment income of the transportation fund.

(ig) All moneys forwarded by county treasurers from forfeitures, fines and penalties under ch. 348 and from forfeitures for the violation of traffic regulations in conformity with ch. 348, as provided in s. 59.25 (3) (k) and (L).

(ij) All moneys forwarded by county treasurers from railroad crossing improvement surcharges under ss. 346.177, 346.495, and 346.65 (4r), as provided in s. 59.25 (3) (f) 2.

(im) All moneys forwarded by county treasurers from fees under s. 351.07 (1g), as provided in ss. 59.25 (3) (m).

(j) All moneys transferred by law from other funds.

(2) (a) Payments from the transportation fund shall be made only on the order of the secretary of transportation, from which order the secretary of administration shall draw a warrant in favor of the payee and charge the same to the transportation fund.

(b) The provisions of this subsection do not apply to appropriations authorized by s. 25.17 or to appropriations made by any of the following:

19rm. Section 20.380 (1) (w).

20s. Section 20.566 (1) (qm).

21. Section 20.566 (1) (u).

22. Section 20.566 (2) (q).

23. Section 20.855 (4) (q).

24. Section 20.855 (4) (s).

25. Section 20.855 (4) (t).

26. Section 20.855 (4) (u).

27. Section 20.855 (4) (v).

(3) (a) Except as provided in s. 85.52 (3) (cm), beginning on July 1, 2007, no moneys deposited in the transportation fund that are not appropriated may be transferred from the transportation fund to any other fund or appropriation account in any other fund.

(b) Beginning on July 1, 2007, no moneys may be appropriated from the transportation fund except for purposes related to any of the following:

1. The planning, design, construction, reconstruction, expansion, rehabilitation, maintenance, or operation of highway, airport, harbor, ferry, railroad, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities or service, or any costs attendant to such planning, design, construction, reconstruction, expansion, rehabilitation, maintenance, or operation.

2. The acquisition of transportation facilities or property necessary to construct or enlarge transportation facilities, or costs attendant to such acquisition or to disposal of any acquired facility or property.

3. Costs associated with utility facilities within the rights-of-way of transportation facilities or with radio communications facilities and equipment owned or leased by, and services provided by, the department of transportation and used for law enforcement.

4. Aids or assistance to cities, villages, towns, or counties for transportation purposes.

5. The expenditure of federal transportation aid received by the state for any purpose for which the aid is provided or the provision of matching or supplemental funds associated with such aid, or the expenditure of funds derived from gifts or grants received

by the department of transportation for any purpose for which the gift or grant is provided.

6. State enforcement of traffic laws.
7. Transportation safety programs.
8. The administration of laws related to motor vehicles, driver licensing, or aeronautics.
9. The payment of principal and interest on bonds issued for highway, railroad, or harbor improvements or other transportation facilities.
10. The general costs of administration of the department of transportation.
11. The costs of administration of the taxes and fees that are deposited in the transportation fund.
12. Terminal tax distribution payments under s. 76.24 (2) (a).
13. Tourism promotion under s. 20.380 (1) (w).
14. Transfers to the conservation fund for motor fuel tax collections on the use of fuel by snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, utility terrain vehicles, and motorboats.
15. Any refunds of transportation fund taxes and fees authorized by law.
16. Any other program administered by the department of transportation on January 10, 2006.

History: 1971 c. 125, 211; 1973 c. 90, 333; 1975 c. 39; 1975 c. 163 s. 16; 1975 c. 199; 1977 c. 29, 274, 418, 447; 1979 c. 34; 1979 c. 361 s. 113; 1981 c. 20; 1981 c. 347 s. 80 (2), (4); 1983 a. 27, 538; 1985 a. 16 s. 15; 1985 a. 29 ss. 638p, 3202 (51); 1985 a. 120 ss. 66, 3202 (56); 1985 a. 332; 1987 a. 3, 27, 110, 399, 403; 1989 a. 31, 102, 105, 359; 1991 a. 39, 104, 189, 269, 309, 315; 1993 a. 16, 123, 205, 253, 415, 437, 491; 1995 a. 27, 113, 201, 269, 280, 445; 1997 a. 27, 35, 41, 135, 237, 255; 1999 a. 9, 32, 92, 167; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33, 139; 2005 a. 25, 45, 85, 179, 199, 260, 319; 2007 a. 42, 97, 107; 2009 a. 28, 100, 135, 224, 226; 2011 a. 32, 208; 2011 a. 260 s. 80; 2013 a. 20, 188, 266, 363; 2015 a. 137, 170; 2015 a. 195 s. 82; 2015 a. 227, 296, 328; s. 13.92 (1) (bm) 2.

25.405 Transportation infrastructure loan fund.

(1) DEFINITION. In this section, “fund” means the transportation infrastructure loan fund.

(2) CREATION. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the transportation infrastructure loan fund, to consist of:

- (a) 1. All moneys received from the federal government under P.L. 104–59, section 350, designated for transit projects.
2. All moneys received from the federal government under P.L. 104–59, section 350, designated for highway projects.
- (b) All moneys transferred to the fund to meet the requirements for state deposits under P.L. 104–59, section 350.
- (c) All repayments of principal and payments of interest on loans made under s. 85.52 (3).
- (d) All moneys received by the fund from the proceeds of the issuance of revenue obligations under ch. 18 for the purpose of s. 85.52.

(e) All gifts, grants and bequests to the fund.

(3) SEPARATE ACCOUNTS. (a) There is established in the fund a transit account consisting of all moneys received under sub. (2) (a) 1., moneys received under sub. (2) (b) designated by the department of transportation for transit projects and moneys received under sub. (2) (e) designated by the department of transportation for transit projects, revenue obligation proceeds under sub. (2) (d) designated for transit projects and all transit account loan repayments under sub. (2) (c).

(b) There is established in the fund a highway account consisting of all moneys received under sub. (2) (a) 2., moneys received under sub. (2) (b) designated by the department of transportation for highway projects and moneys received under sub. (2) (e) designated for highway projects, revenue obligation proceeds under sub. (2) (d) designated for highway projects and all highway account loan repayments under sub. (2) (c).

(c) The department of administration may establish additional accounts in the fund and, except for the accounts under pars. (a) and (b), may change accounts in the fund. The department of

administration shall consult the department of transportation before establishing or changing an account under this paragraph.

History: 1997 a. 27.

25.41 State housing authority reserve fund. (1) All moneys appropriated or transferred by law; all moneys received from the federal government, from the state housing and economic development authority, or from any other source for the purpose of the state housing authority reserve fund; and all income or interest earned by, or increment to the state housing authority reserve fund due to the investment thereof shall constitute the state housing authority reserve fund which shall be used only as provided in this section.

(2) Except for the purpose of investment as provided in s. 25.17 (2) (c), moneys in the fund shall be used only for the purpose of funding the appropriation to the housing rehabilitation loan program loan loss reserve fund under s. 20.490 (2) (q). Nothing in this section may be construed as limiting the power of the legislature, at any time, to abolish the fund.

(3) Subject to s. 25.17 (2) (c), the board has exclusive control of the investment and collection of the principal and interest of all moneys invested from the fund and shall invest in investments authorized under s. 25.17 (3) (b).

History: 1977 c. 418; 1983 a. 81 s. 11; 1983 a. 83 s. 20.

25.425 Election administration fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund, designated the election administration fund, consisting of all moneys received from the federal government under P.L. 107–252, all moneys received from requesters from sales of copies of the official registration list, and all moneys transferred to the fund from other funds.

History: 2003 a. 35, 266; 2011 a. 32.

25.43 Environmental improvement fund. (1) There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the environmental improvement fund, to consist of all of the following:

(a) All capitalization grants provided by the federal government under 33 USC 1381 to 1387.

(am) All capitalization grants provided by the federal government under 42 USC 300j–12.

(b) All state funds appropriated or transferred to the environmental improvement fund to meet the requirements for state deposits under 33 USC 1382.

(bm) All state funds appropriated or transferred to the environmental improvement fund to meet the requirements for state deposits under 42 USC 300j–12.

(c) All other appropriations and transfers of state funds to the environmental improvement fund.

(d) All gifts, grants and bequests to the environmental improvement fund.

(e) All repayments of principal and payments of interest on loans made from the environmental improvement fund and on obligations acquired by the department of administration under s. 281.59 (12).

(f) All moneys received by the environmental improvement fund from the proceeds of the sale of general or revenue obligations under ch. 18 for the purpose of s. 20.866 (2) (tc) or (td) or 281.59 (4).

(g) All moneys received from the sale of loans made under s. 281.59 (2m) (a) 2.

(h) The fees imposed under ss. 281.58 (9) (d), 281.60 (11m), and 281.61 (5) (b).

(i) All moneys received as investment earnings under s. 25.17 (2) (d).

(2) (a) There is established in the environmental improvement fund a clean water fund program federal revolving loan fund account consisting of the capitalization grants under sub. (1) (a) and (b), except as provided under sub. (2m) (b), all repayments under sub. (1) (e) and (g) of capitalization grants under sub. (1) (a)

and (b) and all moneys transferred to the account under sub. (2m) (a).

(am) There is established in the environmental improvement fund a safe drinking water loan program federal revolving loan fund account consisting of the capitalization grants under sub. (1) (am) and (bm), except as provided under sub. (2m) (a), all repayments under sub. (1) (e) of capitalization grants under sub. (1) (am) and (bm) and all moneys transferred to the account under sub. (2m) (b).

(b) There is established in the environmental improvement fund a state revolving loan fund account consisting of all moneys in the fund not included in accounts under par. (a), (am) or (c).

(c) The department of administration may establish and change accounts in the environmental improvement fund other than those under pars. (a), (am) and (b). The department of administration shall consult the department of natural resources before establishing or changing an account that is needed to administer the programs under ss. 281.58, 281.59 and 281.61.

(2m) (a) In any year, the governor may transfer an amount that does not exceed 33 percent of a capitalization grant under sub. (1) (am) provided in that year from the account under sub. (2) (am) to the account under sub. (2) (a).

(b) In any year, the governor may transfer an amount that does not exceed 33 percent of a capitalization grant under sub. (1) (am) provided in that year from the account under sub. (2) (a) to the account under sub. (2) (am).

(2s) (a) If the secretary of administration determines that the moneys available in the dry cleaner environmental response fund are insufficient to pay awards under s. 292.65, the secretary of administration and the secretary of natural resources may enter into an agreement establishing terms and conditions for the transfer of moneys from the environmental improvement fund to the dry cleaner environmental response fund, including a maximum transfer amount, and the repayment to the environmental improvement fund of the amount transferred plus interest when sufficient funds are available in the dry cleaner environmental response fund. The maximum transfer amount specified in an agreement under this paragraph may not exceed the lesser of the following:

1. Six million two hundred thousand dollars.
2. The difference between \$20,000,000 and the amount that has been expended under s. 20.320 (1) (sm) when the agreement is entered into.

(b) If the secretaries enter into an agreement under this subsection, the secretary of administration may transfer from the environmental improvement fund to the dry cleaner environmental response fund an amount that does not exceed the lesser of the amount of the shortfall in the dry cleaner environmental response fund or the maximum amount specified in the agreement under par. (a).

(3) Except for the purpose of investment as provided in s. 25.17 (2) (d), the environmental improvement fund may be used only for the purposes authorized under ss. 20.320 (1) (r), (s), (sm), (t), and (x), (2) (s) and (x) and (3) (q), 20.370 (4) (mt), (mx) and (nz), (8) (mr) and (9) (mt), (mx) and (ny), 20.505 (1) (v), (x) and (y), 281.58, 281.59, 281.60, 281.61 and 281.62.

History: 1987 a. 399; 1989 a. 31, 366; 1995 a. 27, 227; 1997 a. 27, 35, 237, 252; 1999 a. 9, 32; 2009 a. 28; 2011 a. 261; 2015 a. 55.

25.45 Waste management fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the waste management fund, to consist of the tonnage fees imposed under s. 144.441 (3), 1989 stats., except for tonnage fees paid by a nonapproved facility, as defined in s. 289.01 (24); waste management base fees imposed under s. 144.441 (5), 1989 stats.; and all moneys received or recovered under s. 289.41 (11) (a) 1., 3. or 4. and (am) 1., 3. and

4. Moneys in the waste management fund shall be used for the purposes specified under s. 289.68 (3) to (6).

History: 1977 c. 377; 1979 c. 221 s. 2202 (39); 1981 c. 374; 1983 a. 27; 1983 a. 410 s. 2202 (38); 1987 a. 384; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1995 a. 227.

25.46 Environmental fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the environmental fund, to consist of:

(1e) The moneys transferred under s. 20.855 (4) (wc) for environmental management.

(1m) The moneys transferred under s. 20.855 (4) (f) for non-point source water pollution abatement.

(1r) The moneys transferred from the Wisconsin development reserve fund under 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, section 9225 (1).

(2) The fees imposed under s. 94.64 (4) (a) 4. for environmental management.

(3) The fees imposed under s. 94.65 (6) (a) 4. for environmental management.

(4) The moneys specified under s. 94.681 (7) (a) 1. and 2. for environmental management.

(4m) The moneys specified under s. 94.681 (7) (a) 3. for environmental management.

NOTE: Section 94.681 (7) (a) 3. does not exist.

(4s) The fees imposed under s. 94.681 (3m) and (4) for environmental management.

(5) The fees imposed under s. 168.23 (5) (a) for environmental management.

(5c) The moneys collected under s. 145.19 (6) for environmental management.

(5d) The fees imposed under s. 281.48 (4s) (d) for environmental management.

(5e) All moneys received under s. 281.75 (16) (d) for environmental management.

(5g) The fees imposed under s. 283.31 (7) for environmental management.

(5j) All moneys received under s. 283.87 or as a settlement to any action initiated or contemplated under s. 283.87 for environmental management.

(5k) The moneys received under s. 287.17 (4) and (10) (j).

(5m) The tonnage fees imposed under s. 289.62 (1) that are paid by a nonapproved facility, as defined in s. 289.01 (24), for environmental management.

(6) The groundwater fees imposed under s. 289.63 (1) for environmental management.

(6m) The well compensation fees imposed under s. 289.63 (1) for environmental management.

(6s) The fees imposed under s. 289.645.

(7) The fees imposed under s. 289.67 (1) for environmental management, except that, of the fees imposed under s. 289.67 (1) (cp) or (cv), \$3.20 for each ton of waste is for nonpoint source water pollution abatement.

(7m) All moneys received from fees under s. 289.67 (2) for environmental management.

(8) The fees and surcharges imposed under s. 289.67 (3) and (4) for environmental management.

(8g) The moneys received from reimbursements under s. 292.11 (6) (c) 1. for environmental management.

(8m) The moneys received from the federal government as reimbursement under s. 292.11 (6) (c) 2. and for purposes related to the hazardous substances spills program, the abandoned container program and the environmental repair of waste facilities.

(9) The moneys received from municipalities under s. 292.31 (7) (c) for environmental management.

(10) The amounts required to be paid into the environmental fund under s. 292.31 (8) (g) for environmental management.

(10g) The moneys received from reimbursements under s. 292.41 (6) (c) for the abandoned container program.

(10j) All moneys received under s. 292.51 (2) for cooperative remedial action.

(12) The funds transferred under s. 292.65 (11).

(13m) The environmental surcharges under s. 299.93 for environmental enforcement, environmental repair, and environmental education.

(18r) The fees received under s. 295.15 for environmental management.

(20) All moneys received in settlement of actions initiated under 42 USC 9601 to 9675 for environmental management.

(21) All moneys, other than fines and forfeitures, that are received under settlement agreements or orders in settlement of actions or proposed actions for violations of chs. 280 to 299 and that are designated to be used to restore or develop environmental resources, to provide restitution, or to make expenditures required under an agreement or order.

History: 1983 a. 410; 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 27; 1989 a. 31, 335; 1991 a. 39, 112, 269, 309; 1993 a. 16, 261, 453, 458; 1995 a. 27, 227; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 139; 2005 a. 45; 2007 a. 20; 2009 a. 28; 2011 a. 32 ss. 886 to 888, 892 to 893; 2013 a. 1, 20; 2015 a. 7.

25.463 Agricultural producer security fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the agricultural producer security fund, to consist of all fees, surcharges, assessments, reimbursements, and proceeds of contingent financial backing received by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under ch. 126.

History: 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 38.

25.465 Agrichemical management fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the agrichemical management fund, to consist of:

(1) The fees collected under s. 94.64 (3m) (b), (3r) (a) and (4) (a) 1.

(2) The fees collected under s. 94.65 (2) (a), (3) (b) and (6) (a) 1. and (b).

(2m) The fees collected under s. 94.66 (4).

(3) The fees collected under s. 94.681 (2), (5) and (6) (a) 3., except as provided in s. 94.681 (7) (a).

(4) The fees collected under s. 94.685 (3) (a) 1.

(5) The fees collected under s. 94.703 (3) (a) 1.

(6) The fees collected under s. 94.704 (3) (a) 1.

(7) The fees collected under s. 94.705 (4) (b).

(8) The fees collected under s. 94.72 (5) (b) and (6) (a) 1. and 2. and (i).

History: 1991 a. 39, 112; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9; 2009 a. 139.

25.466 Working lands fund. There is created a separate trust fund designated as the working lands fund, consisting of all moneys received under s. 91.66 (1) (c) and all moneys received due to the sale, modification, or termination of an easement purchased under s. 93.73.

History: 2009 a. 28; 2011 a. 32.

25.468 Agricultural chemical cleanup fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the agricultural chemical cleanup fund, to consist of all revenues collected under ss. 94.64 (3r) (b) and (4) (a) 5., 94.681 (3) and (6) (a) 4., 94.685 (3) (a) 2., 94.703 (3) (a) 2., 94.704 (3) (a) 2. and 94.73 (5) (e) and (8).

History: 1997 a. 27.

25.469 Nuclear waste escrow fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the nuclear waste

escrow fund, to consist of all moneys received by the public service commission under s. 196.497 (11s) (a).

History: 1999 a. 196.

25.47 Petroleum inspection fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the petroleum inspection fund, to consist of:

(1) The fees imposed under s. 168.12 (1).

(1m) Any fees imposed under s. 292.63 (2) (em) 1.

(2) The payments under s. 292.63 (4) (h) 1m.

(3) The payments under s. 292.63 (5) (a).

(4) The net recoveries under s. 292.63 (5) (c).

(4m) The payments under s. 292.64 (3).

(5) The moneys transferred from the appropriation account under s. 20.370 (7) (dq).

(6) The net proceeds of revenue obligations issued under s. 292.63 (9m) that are transferred from a separate and distinct fund outside the state treasury, in an account maintained by a trustee, under s. 18.562 (3).

(7) The fees imposed under s. 168.23 (4).

History: 1987 a. 27, 399; 1991 a. 269; 1993 a. 16; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9, 185; 2001 a. 16; 2009 a. 28; 2011 a. 32; 2013 a. 20.

25.48 Dry cleaner environmental response fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the dry cleaner environmental response fund, to consist of the moneys required under s. 77.9964 (3) to be deposited in the fund and moneys collected under ss. 292.65 (8) (j), (8m), and (9) (c).

History: 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9; 2003 a. 312.

25.49 Economic development fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the economic development fund, to consist of the surcharge imposed under subch. VII of ch. 77.

History: 1989 a. 335; 1991 a. 39; 1995 a. 227; 1999 a. 9; 2007 a. 20; 2009 a. 50; 2011 a. 32; 2013 a. 166.

25.50 Local government pooled–investment fund.

(1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

(b) “Fund” means the local government pooled–investment fund.

(c) “Local funds” means funds under the control or in the custody of any local government or local official that are not required to meet current expenditures or demands.

(d) “Local government” means any county, town, village, city, power district, sewerage district, drainage district, town sanitary district, public inland lake protection and rehabilitation district, local professional baseball park district created under subch. III of ch. 229, long–term care district under s. 46.2895, local professional football stadium district created under subch. IV of ch. 229, local cultural arts district created under subch. V of ch. 229, public library system, school district or technical college district in this state, any commission, committee, board or officer of any governmental subdivision of this state, any court of this state, other than the court of appeals or the supreme court, or any authority created under s. 114.61, 231.02, 233.02, or 234.02.

(e) “Local official” means each officer or employee of a local government who by law or vote of the governing body of the local government is made the custodian of funds.

(2) CREATION. There is established within the state investment fund a local government pooled–investment fund with a separate and identifiable account within the fund for each local government.

(3) LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AUTHORIZED TO PLACE FUNDS IN POOL. (a) With the consent of the governing body, a local official may transfer local funds to the department of administration for deposit in the fund.

(b) On the dates specified and to the extent to which they are available, subject to s. 16.53 (10), funds payable to local governments under ss. 79.035, 79.04, 79.05, 79.08, and 79.10 shall be

considered local funds and, pursuant to the instructions of local officials, may be paid into the separate accounts of all local governments established in the local government pooled–investment fund and, pursuant to the instructions of local officials, to the extent to which they are available, be disbursed or invested.

(4) PERIOD OF INVESTMENTS; WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS. Subject to the right of the local government to specify the period in which its funds may be held in the fund, the department of administration shall prescribe the mechanisms and procedures for deposits and withdrawals.

(5) INVESTMENT POLICIES. The board shall formulate policies for the investment and reinvestment of moneys in the fund and the acquisition, retention, management and disposition of such investments. The board shall provide a copy of the investment policies, together with any guidelines adopted by the board to direct staff investment activity, to each local government having an investment in the fund upon the local government’s request and at least annually to all investors. The board shall distribute at least annually performance information over the preceding one–year, 5–year and 10–year periods, compared with appropriate indexes or benchmarks in the private sector. The investment policies shall include all of the following:

- (a) Any types of prohibited investments.
- (b) Any restrictions on allocation of assets among various asset types.
- (c) Credit standards for private companies in which the fund may invest.
- (d) Dollar or percentage limits on investments in a single company or bank.

(5m) MONTHLY REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. (a) The board, in cooperation with the department of administration, shall provide a monthly report to each local government having an investment in the fund. The board shall use all reasonable efforts to provide the report to the local government no later than 6 business days after the end of the month covered by the report. The report shall include information on the fund’s earnings for the month, with comparison to appropriate indexes or benchmarks in the private sector.

(b) Upon request of any local government having an investment in the fund, the board shall provide a summary of securities held by the fund, including for each type of security, its cost, current value and, in the case of debt instruments, the average maturity. The board shall provide the information as soon as practicable after receiving the request.

(6) BOARD TO INVEST, REINVEST POOLED FUNDS. In the amounts available for investment purposes and subject to the policies formulated by the board, the board shall invest and reinvest moneys in the fund and acquire, retain, manage, including the exercise of any voting rights, and dispose of investments of the fund.

(7) REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES. The department of administration shall deduct monthly from the earnings of the fund during the preceding calendar month an amount sufficient to cover all actual and necessary expenses incurred by the state in administering the fund in the preceding calendar month, except that in no fiscal year may the department of administration deduct an amount exceeding the amount appropriated under s. 20.505 (1) (gc) for that fiscal year.

(8) SEPARATE ACCOUNTS. (a) The department of administration shall keep a separate account for each local government and shall record the individual amounts and the totals of all investments of each local government’s moneys in the fund.

(b) The department of administration shall report monthly to each local official the deposits and withdrawals of the preceding month and any other activity within the account.

(c) For each municipality that invests in the fund surplus debt service funds under s. 67.11 (2) (d), the department of administration shall keep separate accounts for such surplus debt service

funds and for all other local funds of the municipality that are invested in the fund.

(9) RULES. The department of administration may promulgate rules to carry out the purposes of this section.

(10) INSURANCE OF PRINCIPAL. The department of administration may obtain insurance for the safety of the principal investments of the fund. The insurance is a reimbursable expense under sub. (7).

History: 1975 c. 164; 1977 c. 29, 187; 1979 c. 34 s. 2102 (46) (a); 1979 c. 175 s. 53; 1981 c. 20, 93; 1983 a. 27 s. 2202 (45), (49); 1985 a. 29 s. 3202 (46); 1987 a. 27; 1989 a. 31, 159, 336; 1991 a. 33, 39; 1993 a. 16, 399; 1995 a. 27, 56, 274; 1999 a. 9, 65, 83, 167; 2001 a. 38; 2005 a. 25, 335; 2007 a. 20; 2011 a. 32; 2013 a. 20.

25.55 Land information fund. There is created a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the land information fund, consisting of moneys received under s. 59.72 (5) (a).

History: 2013 a. 20.

25.60 Budget stabilization fund. There is created a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the budget stabilization fund, consisting of moneys transferred to the fund from the general fund under ss. 16.518 (3) and 16.72 (4) (b). Moneys in the budget stabilization fund are reserved to provide state revenue stability during periods of below–normal economic activity when actual state revenues are lower than estimated revenues under s. 20.005 (1).

History: 1985 a. 120; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33; 2005 a. 25; 2007 a. 20; 2013 a. 20.

25.61 VendorNet fund. There is created a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the VendorNet fund consisting of all revenues accruing to the state from fees assessed under s. 16.701 (1) and (2) and from gifts, grants, and bequests made for the purposes of s. 16.701 (1) and (2) and moneys transferred to the fund from other funds.

History: 1995 a. 27, 351; 1997 a. 36; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 321; 2013 a. 20.

25.62 Property tax relief fund. All moneys transferred from the general fund to the property tax relief fund constitute the property tax relief fund. Moneys in the fund are reserved to provide state property tax relief.

History: 1995 a. 213; 1997 a. 27.

25.65 County mining investment fund. (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

(b) “County funds” mean payments received by counties under s. 70.395 (2) (d) 1.

(c) “County government” means any county in this state.

(d) “County official” means each officer or employee of a county government who by law or vote of the governing body of the county government is made custodian of county funds.

(e) “Fund” means the county mining investment fund.

(2) CREATION. There is established under the control of the board a county mining investment fund with a separate and identifiable account within the fund for each county government.

(3) COUNTY GOVERNMENTS AUTHORIZED TO PLACE COUNTY FUNDS IN FUND. With the consent of the county board a county official may transfer county funds received under s. 70.395 (2) (d) 1. to the state treasurer for deposit in the fund. A county official may authorize the investment and local impact fund board to transfer the county funds to the state treasurer for the county.

(4) PERIOD OF INVESTMENTS; WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS. Subject to the restrictions in this subsection the state treasurer shall prescribe the mechanisms and procedures for deposits and withdrawals. The mechanisms and procedures shall include a requirement for review and approval by the investment and local impact fund board of all withdrawals made within 10 years of deposit. The state treasurer shall notify the investment and local impact fund board of all withdrawals made 10 years or more after deposit. Withdrawals shall be made only to cover the costs of alleviating

impacts due to the closing of a metalliferous mine in the county or the curtailment of metalliferous mining activity in the county.

(5) INVESTMENT POLICIES. The board shall formulate policies for the investment and reinvestment of moneys in the fund and the acquisition, retention, management and disposition of the investments.

(6) REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES. The state treasurer shall deduct quarterly a maximum of 0.25 percent of the amount of income received from the earnings of the fund during the preceding calendar quarter for all actual and necessary expenses incurred by the state in administering the fund.

(7) SEPARATE ACCOUNTS. (a) The department of administration shall keep a separate account for each county government and shall record the individual amounts and the totals of all investments of each county government's moneys in the fund.

(b) The state treasurer shall report quarterly to each county official the deposits and withdrawals of the preceding quarter and any other activity within the account.

History: 1977 c. 423; 1991 a. 259; 1999 a. 83.

25.67 Children's trust fund. **(1)** The children's trust fund is created as a separate fund. Moneys in the fund shall be expended only for the purposes specified in s. 48.982 (2m).

(2) (a) The fund shall consist of all moneys received for the fund under s. 48.982 (2) (d) or (2e) (a) 3.

(b) All moneys in the fund that are not expended under s. 20.433 (1) (q) shall continue to accumulate indefinitely.

History: 1983 a. 27; 1989 a. 31; 1993 a. 444; 1997 a. 27, 78, 252, 293; 2001 a. 16; 2005 a. 319.

25.68 Support collections trust fund. There is created a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the support collections trust fund, to consist of all of the following:

(1) All moneys received by the department of children and families under s. 49.854, except for moneys received under s. 49.854 (11) (b).

(2) All moneys received under ss. 767.57 and 767.75 for child or family support, maintenance or spousal support, health care expenses or birth expenses.

(3) All moneys not specified under sub. (2) that are received under a judgment or order in an action affecting the family, as defined in s. 767.001 (1), by the department of children and families or its designee.

(4) All moneys received under s. 49.855 (4) from the department of revenue or the department of administration that were withheld by the department of revenue or the internal revenue service for delinquent child support, family support, or maintenance or outstanding court-ordered amounts for past support, medical expenses, or birth expenses.

History: 1997 a. 191; 2001 a. 16; 2005 a. 443 s. 265; 2007 a. 20.

25.69 Permanent endowment fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the permanent endowment fund, consisting of all of the proceeds from the sale of the state's right to receive payments under the Attorneys General Master Tobacco Settlement Agreement of November 23, 1998, and all investment earnings on the proceeds. Any revenues or proceeds that are derived from the repurchase by the state of the tobacco settlement revenues under s. 16.527 (3) (c) 1. are also deposited into the permanent endowment fund. Beginning in the 2009–10 fiscal year, there is transferred from the permanent endowment fund to the Medical Assistance trust fund \$50,000,000 in each fiscal year and the remainder of moneys deposited into the permanent endowment fund in each fiscal year is transferred to the general fund.

History: 2001 a. 16, 109; 2003 a. 33; 2007 a. 20, 226.

25.70 Historical society trust fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the historical society trust fund, consisting of all endowment principal and income and all cash balances of the historical society. Unless the board of

curators of the historical society determines otherwise in each case, only the income from the assets in the historical society trust fund is available for expenditure. In this section, unless otherwise provided in the gift, grant, or bequest, principal and income are determined as provided under subch. XI of ch. 701.

History: 1985 a. 29; 1987 a. 27; 2005 a. 10; 2013 a. 92.

25.72 Historical legacy trust fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the historical legacy trust fund that consists of all moneys in the bicentennial account under s. 25.72 (2), 1999 stats., and all gifts, grants, or bequests made to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Wisconsin statehood.

History: 1997 a. 27; 2001 a. 16.

25.73 Historical society endowment fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible endowment fund designated as the historical society endowment fund, to consist of all gifts, grants, or bequests made to the fund. Notwithstanding s. 20.907 (1), the historical society may convert any noncash gift, grant, or bequest into cash.

History: 1997 a. 27; 2001 a. 16.

25.74 History preservation partnership trust fund.

There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the history preservation partnership trust fund consisting of all moneys received from admissions, sales, and other receipts of the historical society, all contributions, gifts, grants, and bequests accepted by a corporation under s. 44.20 (3) (b) that are not retained by the corporation, all moneys received by a corporation under s. 44.20 (3) (b) for goods or services provided by the corporation that are not retained by the corporation, and all moneys transferred under 2003 Wisconsin Act 91, section 16 (1). Moneys in the fund may be expended only as provided in s. 20.245 (1) (r).

History: 2003 a. 91.

25.75 Lottery fund. **(1) DEFINITIONS.** In this section:

(b) "Gross lottery revenues" means gross revenues from the sale of lottery tickets and lottery shares under ch. 565 and revenues from the imposition of fees, if any, under s. 565.10 (8) and includes compensation, including bonuses, if any, paid to retailers under s. 565.10 (14), regardless of whether the compensation is deducted by the retailer prior to transmitting lottery ticket and lottery share revenues to the commission.

(c) "Lottery proceeds" means the remainder of the gross lottery revenues after deducting all of the following:

2. Amounts for prizes.

3. Amounts for other expenses, including compensation paid to retailers under s. 565.10 (14) and amounts paid to vendors for on-line services and supplies provided by the vendors under contract under s. 565.25 (2) (a).

(2) CREATION. There is created a separate nonlapsible trust fund known as the lottery fund, to consist of gross lottery revenues received by the department of revenue and moneys transferred to the lottery fund under ss. 20.435 (5) (kg), 20.455 (2) (g), and 20.505 (8) (am), (g), and (jm).

(3) DISTRIBUTION OF GROSS LOTTERY REVENUES. The distribution of the gross lottery revenues in the fund shall be subject to all of the following:

(a) *Prizes.* An amount equal to at least 50 percent of each year's revenues from the sale of lottery tickets and lottery shares shall be returned as prizes to the holders of winning lottery tickets or lottery shares sold during that year.

(b) *Expenses.* No more than an amount equal to 10 percent of gross lottery revenues for each year may be expended to pay the expenses for the operation and administration of the lottery, except that expenses for the operation and administration of the lottery may exceed 10 percent of gross lottery revenues if so approved by the joint committee on finance under s. 13.10. In computing expenses subject to the 10 percent limitation under this paragraph:

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1. Compensation paid to retailers under s. 565.10 (14) shall not be included.
2. Capital expenditures may be amortized.
3. Payments to vendors for on–line services and supplies provided by the vendors under contract under s. 565.25 (2) (a) shall be included.

4. Moneys appropriated from the lottery fund under s. 20.455 (2) (r) shall not be included.

(e) From the appropriation under s. 20.566 (2) (r), lottery proceeds shall be used to offset department of revenue expenses in administering the lottery credit.

History: 1987 a. 119, 399; 1989 a. 31, 336; 1991 a. 39, 225, 269; 1993 a. 16; 1995 a. 27; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 5, 9; 2001 a. 16; 2003 a. 33; 2009 a. 28.

25.77 Medical assistance trust fund. There is created a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the medical assistance trust fund, consisting of all of the following:

(1) All federal moneys received, including moneys that the department of health services may transfer from the appropriation under s. 20.435 (4) (o), that are related to payments under s. 49.45 and are based on public funds that are transferred or certified under 42 CFR 433.51 (b) and used as the nonfederal share of Medical Assistance funding.

(2) All public funds that are related to payments under s. 49.45 and that are transferred or certified under 42 CFR 433.51 (b) and used as the nonfederal and federal share of Medical Assistance funding, except funds that are deposited into the appropriation accounts under s. 20.435 (4) (kx) or (ky).

(3) All moneys received under s. 50.14 (2g) from assessments on licensed beds of facilities in each fiscal year.

(6) All moneys transferred under 2003 Wisconsin Act 129, section 5 (1).

(7) All moneys transferred under 2005 Wisconsin Act 15, section 9221 (2).

(8) All moneys transferred from the appropriation under s. 20.285 (1) (gb).

(9) All moneys transferred from the permanent endowment fund.

(10) All moneys transferred under 2007 Wisconsin Act 20, section 9225 (2).

(11) All moneys transferred under s. 50.38 (8) and (10).

(12) All moneys recouped and deposited under s. 50.38 (6) (a) 4. and (6m) (a) 4.

(13) All moneys transferred under s. 146.98 (4).

(14) All moneys deposited under s. 49.45 (39) (bm)

History: 2001 a. 13, 16; 2003 a. 33, 129, 318; 2005 a. 15, 25; 2007 a. 20 ss. 697d to 697p, 9121 (6) (a); 2007 a. 95; 2009 a. 2, 28, 190; 2011 a. 32; 2015 a. 55.

25.772 Hospital assessment fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the hospital assessment fund, to consist of all moneys received under s. 50.38 (2) (a) from assessments on hospitals other than critical access hospitals and all moneys recouped and deposited under s. 50.38 (6) (a) 3.

History: 2009 a. 2, 190.

25.774 Critical access hospital assessment fund.

(1) There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the critical access hospital assessment fund, to consist of all moneys received under s. 50.38 (2) (b) from assessments on critical access hospitals and all moneys recouped and deposited under s. 50.38 (6m) (a) 3.

History: 2009 a. 190.

25.78 Artistic endowment fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the artistic endowment fund, to consist of all of the following:

(1) All gifts, grants, bequests, or other contributions made to the artistic endowment fund.

(2) All gifts, grants, bequests, or other contributions made to the Wisconsin Artistic Endowment Foundation and described under s. 247.05 (2) (f).

History: 2001 a. 16.

25.79 Read to lead development fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund, designated the read to lead development fund, consisting of all gifts, grants, bequests, and other contributions made to the fund.

History: 2011 a. 166; 2015 a. 55.

25.80 Tuition trust fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the tuition trust fund, consisting of all revenue from enrollment fees and the sale of tuition units under s. 16.64.

History: 1995 a. 403; 1999 a. 9; 2011 a. 32.

25.85 College savings program trust fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the college savings program trust fund, consisting of all revenue from enrollment fees for and contributions to college savings accounts under s. 16.641 and from distributions and fees paid by the vendor under s. 16.255 (3) other than revenue from those sources that is deposited in the college savings program bank deposit trust fund or the college savings program credit union deposit trust fund.

History: 2001 a. 7; 2005 a. 478; 2011 a. 32.

25.853 College savings program bank deposit trust fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the college savings program bank deposit trust fund, consisting of all revenue from enrollment fees for and contributions to college savings accounts under s. 16.641 in which the investment instrument is an account held by a state or national bank, a state or federal savings bank, a state or federal savings and loan association, or a savings and trust company that has its main office or home office or a branch office in this state and that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and all revenue from distributions and fees paid by the vendors of those investment instruments under s. 16.255 (3).

History: 2005 a. 478; 2011 a. 32.

25.855 College savings program credit union deposit trust fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the college savings program credit union deposit trust fund, consisting of all revenue from enrollment fees for and contributions to college savings accounts under s. 16.641 in which the investment instrument is an account held by a state or federal credit union, including a corporate central credit union organized under s. 186.32, that has its main office or home office or a branch office located in this state and that is insured by the National Credit Union Administration, and all revenue from distributions and fees paid by the vendors of those investment instruments under s. 16.255 (3).

History: 2005 a. 478; 2011 a. 32.

25.95 Universal service fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the universal service fund, to consist of all contributions received under s. 196.218 (3).

History: 1997 a. 27.

25.96 Utility public benefits fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the utility public benefits fund, consisting of low–income assistance fees received under s. 16.957 (4) (a) and (5) (b) 2. and all moneys received under s. 196.374 (3) (b) 4.

History: 1999 a. 9; 2005 a. 141; 2007 a. 20.

25.97 Air quality improvement fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the air quality improvement fund, consisting of all moneys transferred under s. 16.958 (2) (a) and all moneys deposited under s. 196.86 (3).

History: 1999 a. 9.

25.98 Wireless 911 fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the wireless 911 fund, consisting of deposits by the public service commission under s. [256.35 \(3m\) \(f\) 1.](#)

History: [2003 a. 48](#); [2007 a. 130.](#)

25.99 Police and fire protection fund. There is established a separate nonlapsible trust fund designated as the police and fire protection fund, consisting of deposits by the public service commission and department of revenue under s. [196.025 \(6\) \(c\) 3.](#)

History: [2009 a. 28.](#)

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Chapter IB 1

RESTRICTION OF INVESTMENT BOARD EMPLOYEES

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IB 1.01 Statutory authority and purpose. This chapter containing restrictions on investment board employees is promulgated under the directive of s. 25.156 (4), Stats., for the purpose of avoiding conflicts of interest between employees' personal interests, the interests of the investment board and the funds under the management and control of the board. Investment board employees are also subject to the Code of Ethics for classified employees set forth in ch. ER-MRS 24.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; correction made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7, Stats., Register, March, 1995, No. 471.

IB 1.02 Definitions. The following are definitions for terms used in this chapter:

- (1) "Board" means the investment board.
- (2) "Chief investment officer" means the person appointed by the executive director as chief investment officer under s. 25.16 (2), Stats.
- (3) "Confidential information" means any information that is held by the board and is not available for public inspection.
- (4) "Employee" means the executive director, executive assistant and all full and part-time persons, including investment directors, hired to work for the board and paid by a state of Wisconsin payroll check. Members of the board are not employees for the purposes of these rules.
- (5) "Executive director" means the person appointed by the members of the board as executive director under s. 25.156 (2), Stats., or in his or her absence or disability, the person appointed as assistant executive director under s. 25.156 (3), Stats.
- (6) "Family" means an employee's spouse and any other person related by blood, adoption, or marriage to an employee of the board where such other person is living in the same personal residence as the employee and either receives, directly or indirectly, more than one-half of his or her support from the employee or from whom the employee receives, directly or indirectly, more than one-half of his or her support.
- (7) "Favor" means the performance of a task or giving information by a person which will personally benefit an employee of the board or a member of the employee's family.
- (8) "Financial interest" means any direct or indirect equity or debt interest and includes any form of stock, a security convertible into stock, a right, option or warrant to purchase stock, a derivative instrument, any form of debt instrument, a limited partnership interest, a partner's interest in a partnership, a membership in an association or joint venture, an interest in a limited liability company or partnership, or the interest of a sole proprietor, but excludes mortgages on an employee's home or other residence and other consumer loans and, for purposes of s. 25.16 (2), Stats., ownership of less than one-half of one percent of any class of publicly traded securities.
- (9) "Firm" means a corporation, partnership, association, joint venture, limited liability company or partnership, sole proprietor, or other business entity.
- (10) "Gift" means the giving of real or personal property or services, including a payment, advance, loan, forbearance, the promise of future employment, or any other item having value to

an employee of the board or a member of the family of an employee without the exchange of fair value or the expectation of a similar gift or favor in return, but does not include expressions of sympathy or similar items of minimal value not intended to influence the employee's judgment, nor does it include compensation, fees, expenses, or payments received for the benefit of the board under s. IB 1.03 (2).

(11) "Indirectly" or "indirect" means the purchase of or holding a financial interest in the name of another, including a member of the employee's family, or through the use of a nominee or brokers account, but does not include underlying holdings of a registered investment company in which an employee has an interest.

(12) "Investment" includes the purchase and holding of stocks, bonds, evidences of indebtedness whether or not collateralized, mortgages or real estate or any interest therein, including but not limited to options and futures, and derivative or convertible instruments, for the purpose of providing the purchaser with income, capital gain or any other form of a return on the invested money but does not include any savings account, certificate of deposit, domestic government or agency security, shares or units of a registered investment company, purchase of a personal residence or recreational residence or, personal possessions such as furniture, fixtures, jewelry, appliances or motor vehicles.

(13) "Owns" means the power to sell or direct the sale of an investment and includes the power to make sales under a power of attorney.

(14) "Personal" means anything that is used by an employee or a member of an employee's family which does not further the board's business.

(15) "Privileged information" means information which would be protected against disclosure under ch. 905, Stats., or any other law.

(16) "Services" includes the offering of professional services, advice, counsel, evaluation, or analysis relating to property, investments or companies to invest in or portfolios of investments or other board activities, for remuneration either through commissions, fees or concessions or the offering of a market for any type of security or interest in a security, including but not limited to futures or options and other derivative or convertible instruments, traded either on a formal exchange or otherwise.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; renum. (2) to (15) to (3) to (16) and am. (3) to (6), (8) to (13) and (16), cr. (2), Register, May, 1998, No. 509, eff. 6-1-98.

IB 1.03 Gifts or favors. (1) An employee or a member of an employee's family may not during the period the employee is employed by the board directly or indirectly knowingly accept or retain any personal gift or favor from any person representing a firm currently providing services to the board or in which the board is holding an investment or that has made a pending proposal for an investment or for provision of services to the board.

(2) This section does not prohibit acceptance of conference fee payments, meals, travel expenses, accommodations or social functions furnished to an employee attending any conference, meeting, due diligence investigation or similar event which provides the board with information required to investigate, analyze

or protect an investment or proposed investment or any other financial interest of the board, nor does it apply to minor items that are received at and accrue to the benefit of the board.

(3) Any payments or items which are accepted by an employee under sub. (2) shall be reported in accordance with procedures that may be established by the executive director to implement any applicable legal, regulatory, agency guideline or professional code standards or requirements.

Note: Reporting forms may be obtained from the executive director of the investment Board.

(4) The board may contribute items received from third parties which cannot be used to its benefit to charities, or may contribute funds to charities raised through sale of such items which may not practicably be directly contributed.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; am. (1) and (2), cr. (3) and (4), Register, May, 1998, No. 509, eff. 6-1-98; am. (4), Register, September, 2000, No. 537, eff. 10-1-00.

IB 1.04 Investments in firms providing services to the board. (1) An employee of the board may not acquire any financial interest in a firm providing services to the board while the employee remains employed by the board.

(2) If an employee, at the time the employee is hired, owns directly or indirectly, a financial interest in a firm providing services to the board, the employee shall within 6 months:

(a) Sell such financial interest which sale may be on an installment basis, or

(b) Place such interest in a trust where the trustee is a disinterested person and has full power to sell or retain such interest and the employee has only the right to receive income or the proceeds of any sale, or

(c) Provided where under par. (a) or (b) a sale or trust would in the sole opinion of the board work a hardship on the employee or the employee's family, the board may yearly grant, upon written application, a waiver effective for the following year.

(3) This section does not prohibit holding or acquisition of a financial interest in a firm providing services to the board if the net income to the firm from providing services to the board is less than 10% of the annual net income of the firm.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; am. (3), Register, May, 1998, No. 509, eff. 6-1-98.

IB 1.05 Personal investments by employees of the board. (1) Employees may not directly or indirectly purchase or hold any stock or convertible bond being sold as a new issue at the time it is offered to the public for the first time. An employee may purchase and own a stock or convertible bond which was offered to the public for the first time if the employee purchases it after it is publicly traded.

(2) An employee may purchase or sell any other investment when in compliance with requirements of this chapter if the employee obtains advance written approval from the executive director. The executive director may delegate authority to approve employee personal investment transactions to the chief investment officer, assistant executive director, legal counsel, or an investment director. The employee must confirm that the purchase or sale is not based upon confidential information of the board. Permission for the purchase or sale shall be granted if the purchase or sale is not found to be in conflict with the board's interests or applicable legal and professional codes, guidelines, and regulations.

(3) Procedures for preclearance and monitoring of employee personal investments may be established by the executive director to implement any applicable legal, regulatory, agency guideline or professional code standards or requirements.

Note: Personal investment approval request forms may be obtained from the executive director of the investment board.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; am. (1) and (2), cr. (3), Register, May, 1998, No. 509, eff. 6-1-98.

IB 1.07 Other than state employment. (1) Pursuant to s. 25.16 (2), Stats., no employee of the board may offer to or render investment advice to any other person for remuneration. Teaching a course for remuneration in a school, college or university is not a violation of this provision.

(2) Employees of the board may need to engage in other than state employment. Each employee wishing to engage in other employment shall request permission in writing from the executive director, disclosing the nature of the proposed employment or business, the hours per week to be worked and the duration of the employment. The decision of the executive director to allow such outside employment or to refuse such outside employment shall be final provided that, where the decision to refuse such outside employment is made, it shall be accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for the refusal.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83.

IB 1.08 Service on boards of directors. (1) An employee of the board may serve in any position, including a directorship, of a non-profit firm, fraternal organization or religious organization, provided:

(a) If serving will require occasional absence during core working hours, then arrangements shall be made in advance covering the time off.

(b) If serving will require more than occasional absence during core working hours, then such service shall be subject to advance approval by the executive director.

(2) An employee of the board may serve as a director of any for-profit firm and retain any remuneration provided:

(a) Prior to acceptance of the position, the offer of the position is disclosed in writing to the executive director and,

(b) The executive director determines that the firm's bonds, stock or debt are not likely to become the subject of investments which the board would purchase and,

(c) The executive director determines that service as a director will not interfere or adversely affect the employee's performance of his or her investment board duties, and

(d) If serving as a director will involve being absent during regular working hours, then acceptable arrangements covering the time off shall be made between the employee and the executive director.

(3) An employee of the board may serve as a director of a firm in which the board has an investment only when the board approves such service in advance and any remuneration received by the employee is paid to the board.

(4) If an employee is serving as a director at the time an investment in that firm is submitted as a proposed investment to the board, such service shall immediately be brought to the attention of the board and the employee shall immediately disassociate himself or herself from the investment analysis and the decision-making process. If the board subsequently invests in the company and the employee elects to continue as a director, then during the time the board holds any investment in that company, the employee shall pay any remuneration received during that period to the board. At such time as the board no longer holds any investment in the company, the employee may again receive and retain any remuneration.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; am. (1) (intro.), (2) (intro.) and (b), (3) and (4), Register, May, 1998, No. 509, eff. 6-1-98.

IB 1.09 Confidential and privileged information. (1) No employee of the board may release confidential or privileged information without approval of the executive director or the board's legal counsel.

(2) No employee of the board may use confidential or privileged information for his or her personal benefit or to benefit his or her family.

History: Cr. Register, August, 1983, No. 332, eff. 9-1-83; am. (1), Register, May, 1998, No. 509, eff. 6-1-98.

Chapter IB 2

GENERAL POLICIES OF THE INVESTMENT BOARD

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IB 2.01 Statutory authority and purpose. These general policies are promulgated under the authority of s. 25.156 (1), Stats., as policies that are deemed necessary and appropriate to carry out the functions assigned to the investment board by law. The basic objective of the investment board is to help achieve the purpose of each fund as established by the legislature by investing to achieve the best possible return with the least necessary risk subject to legislatively imposed restraints.

History: Cr. Register, Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83.

IB 2.02 General policies relating to all funds. (1) Any function identified in this chapter may be delegated to staff of the investment board by the members of the board.

(2) The investment board shall, for each fund under its management and control, determine (within statutory constraints) the purpose or purposes of each fund, establish requirements to be met in the management of the funds, review investment plans, receive reports of investment transactions, review investment performance and evaluate performance results.

(3) The investment board shall determine the appropriate risk and return standards acceptable for each fund using criteria that are generally accepted by similar institutions having similar responsibilities and similar objectives.

(4) Investments shall be made only within the authorized investment criteria for the fund for which proposed.

(5) In addition to sub. (4), it shall be determined whether the investment is a prudent investment under ch. 881, Stats., or other applicable standards unless the statutes governing the fund specifically state that the investment board is relieved of any obligation of prudent investing or may invest a part of the fund in the specific type of investment.

(6) Within the constraints of authorized investments, investments shall be diversified so that large exposure to unpredictable events is minimized.

(7) The investment board shall attempt to invest in organizations which adhere to prevailing local and national laws and generally accepted standards of conduct in their affairs. The board recognizes that in many countries customs, laws and their enforcement may vary from the basic human rights concepts and freedoms prevailing in the United States. The board believes, however, that an organization, in whatever country it does business, can have a positive influence in support of basic human rights through its conduct in dealing with employees, clients and governments. Therefore, the investment board will seek investments in organizations which respect basic human

rights and will encourage managements to respect basic human rights of their employes and clientele in any country, because such conduct is conducive to long run success.

(8) The investment board encourages investment proposals from Wisconsin based companies or proposals which will broaden the Wisconsin economy or provide opportunities for employment by Wisconsin citizens. The proposals shall conform to board policies and staff procedures and practices. Risk and rate of return objectives shall be the same as other proposals.

(9) The investment board will not approve for investment any proposal which would effect a special advantage, gain or rate of return to a sub-group of beneficiaries at the expense of a part or the entire beneficiary group.

(10) The investment board will not approve for investment any proposal which makes or proposes to make any concession to any person or group of persons or which does not offer a competitive rate of return based upon perceived risk compared with other similar investments or proposed investments.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83.

IB 2.03 Equity ownership evaluation of management and voting of proxies. (1) DEFINITIONS. In this section:

(a) "Board" means the investment board.

(b) "Management" means the board of directors and officers of a corporation.

(c) "Proxy" means the granting of the power to vote at a shareholders meeting with written directions on how to vote.

(d) "Resolution" means a formal statement of opinion proposed for adoption at a shareholders meeting.

(e) "Shareholder" means a person owning an equity interest in a corporation.

(f) "Shareholders meeting" means a regular or special meeting of the equity owners of a corporation.

(2) PREAMBLE TO GUIDELINES FOR VOTING PROXIES. The function of the board is to invest and manage assets under its management and control pursuant to law. Investment objectives involving equity ownership are of a long term nature. The long term profitability and survival of a corporation depends in part upon responsiveness to changing societal demands. The board, as a shareholder, should be aware of new ideas which may reflect a change in societal attitudes and values through proxy resolutions submitted by shareholders other than management. The board of directors and officers of a corporation should be cognizant of and responsive to resolutions submitted by shareholders.

ers. Management of the corporation in its evaluation of these resolutions will have the most detailed knowledge of and the responsibility to evaluate their impact and long term effect on the corporation and its profitability and survival.

(3) GUIDELINES FOR VOTING PROXIES. In voting proxies:

(a) The board shall support management if management's position appears reasonable, is not detrimental to the long term equity ownership of the corporation and reflects consideration of the impact of societal values and attitudes on the long term viability of the corporation.

(b) The position of management on any resolution will not be supported if it:

1. Would enrich management excessively.
2. Would entrench incumbent officers or members of the board of directors. Due regard shall be given, however, to the need for corporate boards to have a reasonably stable situation to permit concentration on long term corporate affairs.
3. Would dispose of substantial assets or merge without the approval of a majority of the shares entitled to vote.
4. Does not reflect consideration of short and long terms costs and gains, including effects on the basic human rights of its employes and goodwill both in the United States and in the foreign countries in which the company operates.

5. Would result in unreasonable costs.
6. Would disadvantage the corporation relative to other corporations.
7. Opposes a proposal to have the shareholders approve the selection of an independent auditor.
8. Does not support equal and fair employment practices for all employes including non-segregation of the races and ethnic groups in all eating, comfort and work facilities.

(c) The board shall support requests for additional disclosure if the requested information is on a subject relevant to the corporation's business, is of value to a majority of shareholders in evaluating the corporation or its managers, the costs of disclosure are reasonable and the information to be disclosed will not disadvantage the corporation either competitively or economically.

(4) REVIEW FOR SALE. If the board finds that management's position on resolutions cannot be supported consistently, the board shall review the quality of management and the projected future of the corporation to determine whether the board should sell its equity interest in the corporation.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1983, No. 333, eff. 10-1-83.

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individual insurer, including prohibition or divestment of a particular investment.

(b) For insurers that are subject to s. 620.03, impose reasonable restrictions upon the investments of an individual insurer, including prohibition or divestment of a particular investment.

(2) **CONSENT INVESTMENTS.** The commissioner may count an asset toward satisfaction of the compulsory surplus requirement or the security surplus standard, or both, even if it does not conform to this chapter or rules promulgated thereunder, if the commissioner finds that counting it does not endanger the interests of insureds, creditors or the public.

(3) **ALIEN INVESTMENTS.** The commissioner may count toward satisfaction of the compulsory surplus requirement or the security surplus standard any assets in which an insurer must invest under the laws of a country other than the United States as a condition for doing business in that country if the commissioner finds that counting them does not endanger the interests of insureds, creditors or the public of this state.

History: 1971 c. 260; 1979 c. 102 s. 236 (6); 1991 a. 316; 2015 a. 90.

620.05 Protection against currency fluctuations. Any insurer doing business that requires it to make payment in different currencies shall have investments in securities in each of such currencies in an amount that independently of all other investments meets the requirements of chs. 600 to 646 as applied separately to the insurer's obligations in each currency. The commissioner may by order exempt an insurer, or by rule a class of insurers, from this requirement if the obligations in other currencies are small enough that no significant problem for solidity would be created by substantial fluctuations in relative currency values.

History: 1977 c. 339; 1979 c. 89.

Legislative Council Note, 1977: This and the amendment to s. 618.11 (7) replace s. 206.22, broadened, as is appropriate, to apply to all insurers.

620.12 Disposal of prohibited assets. (1) INVESTMENTS BECOMING ILLEGAL. The commissioner shall allow a reasonable time not longer than 10 years for disposal of any investment legally held on April 30, 1972, or of any investment legal when made but subsequently becoming illegal.

(2) **HARDSHIP CASES.** A reasonable time shall be allowed for disposal of assets if the investment was made by mistake or if forced sale of the asset would be contrary to the interests of insureds, creditors or the public of this state.

History: 1971 c. 260.

620.21 Effect of investment restrictions. (1) GENERAL. Assets may be counted toward satisfaction of the compulsory surplus requirement or the security surplus standard only so far as they are invested in compliance with this chapter and applicable rules promulgated by the commissioner.

(2) **EXEMPTION FROM LIMITATIONS FOR ASSETS ACQUIRED IN ENFORCING RIGHTS.** Assets necessarily acquired in the bona fide enforcement of creditors' rights may be counted for the purposes of sub. (1) for 5 years after acquisition if real property and one year if not real property, even if they could not otherwise be counted under this chapter. The commissioner may allow reasonable extensions of such periods if replacement of the assets within the periods would not be possible without substantial loss.

History: 1971 c. 260.

620.22 Permitted classes of investments. Any of the following classes of investments may be counted for the purposes specified in s. 620.21, whether the investments are made by the insurer alone or as a participant in a partnership or joint venture:

(1) Bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of governmental units in the United States or Canada, or the instrumentalities of such governmental units, or of private corporations domiciled in the United States or Canada.

(2) Loans secured by mortgages, trust deeds, or other security interests in tangible property located in the United States or Canada or secured by insurance against default issued by a government insurance corporation of the United States or Canada or an insurer authorized to do business in this state.

(3) Preferred or common stock of any United States or Canadian corporation.

(4) Property needed for the convenient transaction of the insurer's business.

(5) Real property, together with the fixtures, furniture, furnishings, and equipment pertaining to the real property, that is located in the United States or Canada and that produces, or after suitable improvement can reasonably be expected to produce, substantial income.

(6) Loans upon the security of the insurer's own policies in amounts that are adequately secured thereby and that in no case exceed the surrender values of the policies.

(7) Investments in property and facilities for the development and production of solar or geothermal energy, fossil or synthetic fuel, or gasohol, including, but not limited to, ownership and control of such property and facilities, of up to 5 percent of the portion of the insurer's assets that exceeds \$2 billion.

(8) Any other investments that the commissioner authorizes by rule.

(9) Investments not otherwise permitted by this section, and not specifically prohibited by statute, to the extent of not more than 5 percent of the first \$500,000,000 of the insurer's assets plus 10 percent of the insurer's assets exceeding \$500,000,000.

History: 1971 c. 260; 1979 c. 279; 1981 c. 307; 2001 a. 103.

620.23 Limitations generally applicable. (1) CLASS LIMITATIONS. For the purposes of s. 620.21, the following limitations on classes of investments apply:

(a) Investments authorized by s. 620.22 (1) which are not amortizable under applicable valuation rules, 5 percent of assets;

(b) Investments authorized by s. 620.22 (4), 20 percent of assets in the case of nonassessable insurers, and 50 percent of the earned premium and assessments for the preceding calendar year in the case of assessable insurers;

(c) Investments authorized by s. 620.22 (5), 20 percent of assets in the case of life insurers, and 10 percent of assets in the case of nonlife insurers; and

(d) Investments by life insurers in common stock and in shares of mutual funds, 20 percent of assets.

(2) **INDIVIDUAL LIMITATIONS.** For the purposes of s. 620.21, the following limits on investments apply:

(a) *Common stock.* Common stock of a single corporation and its affiliates, other than subsidiaries of the types authorized under s. 611.26 (1) to (3) or mutual funds, 3 percent of assets;

(b) *Total investments.* All securities of a single issuer and its affiliates, other than the government of the United States and subsidiaries of the types authorized under s. 611.26 (1) to (3), 10 percent of assets.

(3) **INVESTMENT SUBSIDIARIES.** For the purpose of determining compliance with the limitations of this chapter, the assets of subsidiaries under s. 611.26 (2) shall be deemed to be owned directly by the insurer and any other investors in proportion to the market value, or if there is no market, the reasonable value, of their interest in the subsidiaries.

(4) **EFFECT OF QUANTITY LIMITATIONS.** To the extent that investments exceed the limitations specified in subs. (1) and (2), the excess may be assigned to the investment class authorized in s. 620.22 (9), until that limit is exhausted.

(5) **SPECIAL RULE FOR MUTUAL FUNDS AND OTHER INVESTMENT COMPANIES.** If the commissioner considers it desirable in order to get a proper evaluation of the investment portfolio of an insurer, the commissioner may require that investments in mutual funds

**Ins 6.19 Appendix 2
PREMIUM TAX REPORT**
Year Ending December 31, 2____

Directly Placed Unauthorized Insurance — Sections 618.42 and 618.43, Wisconsin Statutes
This report is to be filed with the Commissioner of Insurance, State of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin 53702, on or before
March 1, 2

Person or Organization Insured			Address, including zip code			Date
Contract Number (1)	Effective Date (2)	Expiration Date (3)	Name and Address of Insurance Company (4)	Description or Type of Coverage (5)	Premium Charged (6)	3% Tax on Premium* (7)

*1/2 of 1% for Ocean Marine Insurance	Premium Charged— Total Column (6)	\$ _____
	Tax Due @ 3%*— Total Column (7)	\$ _____
	Amount Enclosed	\$ _____

The undersigned certifies that this report is true and correct according to the best of his or her information, knowledge, and belief.

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Note: 2011 Wisconsin Act 224 changed the tax rate for surplus lines insurance which is ocean marine insurance to the same 3% rate for all other surplus lines insurance. Any previous reference to a 1/2 of 1% rate for ocean marine insurance in this rule is not enforceable as that insurance is now taxed at the same 3% rate for all surplus lines insurance.

Ins 6.20 Investments of insurance companies.

(1) PURPOSE. The purpose of this rule is to implement and interpret ch. 620, Stats., for the purpose of establishing procedures and requirements for investments of insurance companies.

(2) SCOPE. This rule shall apply to all insurers subject to ch. 620, Stats.

(3) DEFINITIONS. As used in this rule:

(a) “Call option” means an option contract under which the holder of the option contract has the right, in accordance with the terms of the contract, to purchase, or to make a cash settlement in lieu thereof, the amount of the underlying financial instrument covered by the option contract.

(b) “Financial futures contract” means an exchange-traded agreement to make or take delivery, or to make cash settlement in lieu thereof, of a specified amount of financial instruments on or before a specified date or period of time, under terms and conditions regulated by the commodity futures trading commission.

(c) “Financial instrument” means a security, currency, or index of a group of securities or currencies.

(d) “Financial options contract” means options on a financial futures contract and any other option contract for a financial instrument which is traded on an exchange, board of trade, or an over-the-counter market regulated under the laws of the United States.

(e) “Fixed charges” includes interest on all debt, and amortization of debt discount.

(f) “Money market mutual fund” means a fund that meets the conditions of 17 Code of Federal Regulations Par. 270.2a-7, under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 USC 80a-1 et seq.), as amended or renumbered.

(g) “Net earnings available for fixed charges” means income after allowance for operating and maintenance expenses, depreciation and depletion, and taxes other than federal and state income taxes, but without allowance for extraordinary nonrecurring items of income or expense appearing in the regular financial statements of the issuing company. If the issuing company has acquired, prior to the date of investment, substantially all the assets of another company by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise, the net earnings available for fixed charges of the other company for the portion of the test period that preceded acquisition may be included in accordance with a consolidated earnings statement covering the period.

(h) “Net earnings available for fixed charges and dividends” shall be determined in the same manner as “net earnings available for fixed charges” but after allowance for federal and state income taxes.

(i) “Preferred dividend requirements” include dividends at the maximum prescribed rate on all stock ranking as to dividends on parity with or prior to that being acquired, whether or not the dividends are cumulative.

(j) “Put option” means an option contract under which the holder of the contract has the right, in accordance with the terms of the contract, to sell, or to make a cash settlement in lieu thereof, the amount of the underlying financial instrument covered by the put option contract.

(k) “Real estate” or “real property” includes leaseholds.

(L) “Repurchase transaction” means a transaction in which an insurer purchases securities from a business entity which is obligated to repurchase the purchased securities or equivalent securities from the insurer at a specified price, either within a specified period or upon demand.

(4) GENERAL LIMITATIONS ON RESTRICTED INSURERS. No insurer restricted under s. 620.03, Stats., may invest thereafter in any of the following classes of assets except by permission of the commissioner:

(a) Any securities of an issuer who has defaulted on any payment on any debt security within the previous 5 years;

(b) Any asset under s. 620.22 (9), Stats., or

(c) Any financial futures contract or financial options contract.

(5) SPECIAL LIMITATIONS ON RESTRICTED INSURERS OTHER THAN TOWN MUTUALS. An insurer which is restricted under s. 620.03, Stats., and which is not a town mutual, shall not invest:

(a) *Evidences of indebtedness.* In evidences of indebtedness under s. 620.22 (1), Stats., unless they are lawfully authorized and:

1. They are rated AAA, AA or A by Fitch Investors Service, Inc. or by Standard & Poor's Corporation, or Aaa, Aa or A by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.; or

2. They are evidences of indebtedness of a municipally owned public utility of this state created pursuant to section 3 of article XI of the constitution, and the net book value of the property pledged as security for the bonds has been established or approved by the public service commission and the total issue of the bonds does not exceed 50% of the net book value of such property; or

3. They are payable from revenues of a public utility or railroad owned by or held for the benefit of any governmental unit in the United States or Canada, if they are adequately secured by mortgage or lien on property or by specific pledge or revenues, and lawful authorizing resolutions or ordinance of the governing body of the unit require that during the life of the evidence of indebtedness the rates, fees, tolls or charges together with any other revenues pledged shall at all times produce revenues sufficient to pay all expenses of operation and maintenance, interest as promised and the principal sum when due; or

4. They are evidences of indebtedness of public utilities in the United States or Canada and are either adequately secured by mortgage, pledge or other collateral, or have had net earnings available for fixed charges that for the previous 3 fiscal years have averaged per year not less than 1 1/2 times the average annual fixed charges; or

5. They are evidences of indebtedness of a United States or Canadian private corporation, and they are either adequately secured by mortgage, pledge or other collateral, or are issued by a corporation which has had net earnings available for fixed charges that have averaged for the previous 5 years and equalled for each of the previous 2 years an annual amount which exceeded average annual fixed charges by at least 50%, or 25% in the case of corporations engaged primarily in wholesale or retail merchandising, installment, commercial and consumer financing, factoring or small loan business.

(b) *Equipment securities.* In equipment securities or in certificates of an equipment trust under sub. (8) (b) unless the obligor's net earnings have averaged at least 2 times its average annual fixed charges for the previous 3 years.

(c) *Real estate loans.* In real estate loans:

1. On the security of encumbered property, but property shall not be deemed encumbered because of unpaid but not delinquent assessments and taxes, mineral, oil or timber rights, easements for public highways, private roads, railroads, telegraph, telephone, electric light and power lines, drains, sewers or other similar easements, liens for service and maintenance of water rights when not delinquent, party wall agreements, building restrictions, or other restrictive covenants or conditions, with or without a reversionary clause, or leases under which rents or profits are reserved to the owner;

2. In excess of 2/3 of the fair market value, including buildings covered by the mortgage. If the value of buildings constitute part of the security, the buildings must be insured adequately to

protect the insurer's security interest. The 2/3 limitation shall not apply to any loan fully insured by a federal insurance corporation; nor

3. On the security of a leasehold interest in real property unless it is unencumbered except by rentals owed to the owner of the fee, has at least 25 years yet to run, and then for no more than 50% of the fair market value of the leasehold less the present value of all rentals due upon it to the owner of the fee.

(d) *Preferred shares.* In preferred shares unless the issuing company has had, disregarding fixed charges on indebtedness and dividend requirements on preferred stock for the retirement of which provision has been made at the date of the investment, net earnings:

1. Available for fixed charges and dividends that during the previous 5 fiscal years have averaged not less than twice the sum of the fixed charges, maximum contingent interest and preferred dividend requirements of the issuing company; or

2. Available for fixed charges and dividends that for each of the previous 3 fiscal years have been not less than 1 1/2 times the sum of the fixed charges, maximum contingent interest and preferred dividend requirements of the issuing company; or

3. Available to meet preferred dividend requirements of the previous 5 years, after allowance for fixed charges and federal and state income taxes, that have averaged not less than 3 times the preferred dividend requirements.

(e) *Common stock.* In common stock except:

1. In accordance with a plan of acquisition proposed by the insurer and approved by the commissioner; and

2. In common stocks which are authorized securities for NASDAQ, the automated quotation system of the National Association of Securities Dealers.

(f) *Real property.* In any investment under s. 620.22 (4) or (5), Stats., except with prior written approval of the commissioner.

(g) *Limitations on amount of investment.* 1. Except as permitted under subd. 2., more than 3% of assets in securities of any single issuer unless it obtains the prior written permission of the commissioner or unless the investment is in securities of the government of the United States or its instrumentalities or in securities guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States; or

2. More than 10% of assets in the securities of one state, of one instrumentality of a state, or of one governmental unit of a state.

(6) TOWN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANIES. (a) Town mutual insurance companies authorized to operate under the provisions of ch. 612, Stats., are restricted insurers and are subject to the restrictions of ss. 612.36 and 620.03 (1), Stats., sub. (4) and other applicable provisions of this section. The commissioner may grant exemptions under s. 620.03 (2), Stats.

(b) *Permitted investments.* Except as permitted by pars. (c), (d) and (e) a town mutual insurer may only invest in one or more of the following:

1. Treasury bonds, treasury notes, treasury bills or any other direct obligations of the United States Government or agencies or instrumentalities of the United States Government with a final maturity 15 years or less, except that no part of the amount determined under this paragraph shall be invested in zero coupon bonds or collateralized mortgage obligations;

2. Demand deposit, interest bearing accounts and certificates of deposit in financial institutions, including banks, savings and loan associations and credit unions, except that the amount of an insurer's investment with each such financial institution shall be limited to the total amount eligible for insurance under the financial institution's depositor insurance program;

3. Bonds of any United State or Canadian corporation that at the time of purchase have a "BBB" or better rating from Standard and Poor's Corporation or Moody's Investment Service or bonds rated "1" by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Securities Valuation Office, except that no part of the amount

determined under this paragraph shall be invested in zero coupon bonds, collateralized mortgage obligations, payment in kind bonds or bonds with a final maturity of more than 15 years;

4. Bonds of any United States municipality that at the time of purchase have a “BBB” or better rating from Standard and Poors Corporation or Moody’s Investment Service or bonds rated “1” by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Securities Valuation Office with a final maturity of 15 years or less, except that no amount shall be invested in zero coupon bonds;

5. No more than an aggregate of 10% of assets in preferred stock of any United States or Canadian corporation that at the time of purchase has a “BBB” or better rating from Standard and Poor’s Corporation or Moody’s Investment Service or preferred stock rated “1” by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Securities Valuation Office; or

6. No more than an aggregate of 10% of assets in money market mutual funds.

(c) A town mutual insurer may invest in assets permitted under par. (d) only if on December 31 of the preceding year its assets invested in accordance with par. (b) are an amount at least equal to the sum of its liabilities plus the greater of:

1. 50% of the net written premiums and assessments for the 12-month period ending December 31;
2. 33% of the gross written premiums and assessments for the 12-month period ending December 31; or
3. \$300,000.

(d) A town mutual insurer may invest assets in excess of the amount determined under par. (c) in one or more of the following:

1. Unrated bonds of a Wisconsin municipality or political subdivision not included in par. (b). Any bonds purchased under this subdivision must be direct obligations of the municipality or political subdivision, and no investment shall be made in unrated industrial revenue or industrial development bonds. Such investments shall not exceed 3% of assets in any single issue or 10% of assets in a single issuer or its affiliates;

2. Bonds with a final maturity of more than 15 years that would otherwise be classified within par. (b) 1., 3. or 4.

3. An aggregate of no more than 25% of the insurer’s assets in one or more of the following:

a. Stock which is either common stock or preferred stock of a licensed insurance company domiciled in this state which reinsured town mutual insurers in this state at the time it converted from a mutual insurance corporation to a stock insurance corporation.

b. Common or preferred stock or convertible securities of any United States, Canadian or foreign corporation not included in par. (b) that are traded on a federally regulated securities exchange.

c. Any mutual fund that invests in common or preferred stock or convertible securities of any United States, Canadian or foreign corporation not included in par. (b) that has a minimum four-star rating from Morningstar Mutual Funds Inc. A town mutual insurer shall not exceed 10% of assets in any single family of mutual funds.

4. Any subsidiaries formed to provide services ancillary to the town mutual insurer’s insurance operations. Subsidiaries are considered ancillary subsidiaries if they are engaged principally in insurance-related activities such as acting as an insurance agent or providing claims adjusting services. A town mutual insurer may invest in a subsidiary only with the prior written approval of the commissioner and the investment may not exceed the amount approved by the commissioner or 10% of assets, whichever is less.

5. Any mutual fund not included in par. (b) or this paragraph that has a minimum four-star rating from Morningstar Mutual Funds Inc. Total investment under this paragraph shall not exceed 10% of assets in any single family of mutual funds and 25% of assets in aggregate.

6. Real property needed for the convenient transaction of the insurer’s business, provided that the insurer obtains the prior written approval of the commissioner.

7. Real estate loans on property meeting the requirements of sub. (5) (c) and investment in real estate partnerships. Any investment in real estate partnerships shall be with the prior approval of the commissioner.

8. Collateralized mortgage obligations or tranche bonds whose principal repayment is divided into multiple categories of preferential repayment classes, with final maturities of not more than 20 years for the entire mortgage obligation. Such investments shall not exceed 3% of assets in any single issue or 10% of assets in the aggregate.

9. Investments not otherwise permitted by this paragraph, and not specifically prohibited by statute or rule, to the extent of not more than 5% of the insurer’s assets.

(e) *Town mutual insurer reinsurer stock; grandfather provision.* A town mutual insurer is not required to divest stock described in par. (d) 3. a. which is held by the town mutual insurer on December 31, 1995. Any such stock:

1. Is an authorized investment;
2. Is not an asset invested in accordance with par. (b) for the purpose of determining under par. (c) whether an investment is authorized under par. (d); and
3. Shall be included for the purpose of determining compliance with the aggregate limit under par. (d) 3. The town mutual insurer is required under par. (f) to divest itself of any other investments which otherwise qualify under par. (d) 3. until it is in compliance or until the only investment qualifying under par. (d) 3. is the stock held on December 31, 1995.

(f) *Limitations on amount of investment.* A town mutual insurer may not invest:

1. Except as permitted under subd. 2., more than 3% of assets in securities of any single issuer unless it obtains the prior written permission of the commissioner or unless the investment is in securities of the government of the United States or its instrumentalities or in securities guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States; or

2. More than 10% of assets in the securities of one state, of one instrumentality of a state, or of one governmental unit of a state.

(g) *Transition and divestment.* Except as provided under par. (e), a town mutual insurer shall divest any investment which does not meet the requirements of pars. (b) to (f) due to decline in the rating of a bond or mutual fund, the insurer’s size, limitations on investments or any other reason, within three years of its noncompliance, unless otherwise permitted or required by the commissioner. In addition, the commissioner may permit a longer period for divestment by approving a plan for transition to compliance with this rule as adopted on the effective date of this rule (1996).

(h) *Authorization of investments by the board of directors.* 1. The board of directors of a town mutual shall adopt a written plan for acquiring and holding investments and for engaging in investment practices which specifies guidelines as to the quality, maturity, diversification of investments and other specifications including investment strategies intended to assure that the investments and investment practices are appropriate for the business conducted by the insurer, its liquidity needs and the amount of its surplus. The board shall review and assess the company’s technical and administrative capabilities and expertise with regard to investments before adopting a written plan concerning any investment strategy or investment practice. The board shall give due consideration to all commissions and expenses associated with each investment, and the effect of such costs on anticipated returns and on liquidity.

2. All investments acquired and held under this section shall be acquired and held under the supervision and direction of the

board of directors of the town mutual insurer. The town mutual insurer board of directors shall require that all investments be authorized or approved by the board or a committee of the board charged with the responsibility to supervise and direct its investments in accordance with delegations, standards, limitations, and investment objectives prescribed by the board.

3. For all mutual funds held by a town mutual insurer, the insurer shall maintain in its records the fund's prospectus and latest issued annual financial statement.

(7) BONDS PERMISSIBLE. Bonds permissible under s. 620.22 (1), Stats., include:

(a) Direct obligations of the United States or Canada, or of other governmental units therein;

(b) Obligations payable from and adequately secured by specifically pledged revenues of such governmental units or their instrumentalities, including corporations owned by or operated for such units; and

(c) Evidences of indebtedness of any solvent corporation of the United States or Canada.

(8) ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS. An insurer may, in addition to investments authorized by s. 620.22 (1) to (7), Stats., invest its assets in the following classes of investments, up to the limits stated, and in the case of insurers that are subject to special restrictions under s. 620.03, Stats., in accordance with any other rules made applicable to them:

(a) Mortgage bonds of farm loan banks authorized under the federal farm loan act, and debentures issued by the banks for cooperatives established pursuant to the farm credit act of 1933, as amended;

(b) Equipment securities or certificates of any equipment trust evidencing rights to receive partial payments agreed to be made upon any contract of leasing or conditional sale;

(c) The purchase and ownership of machinery or equipment, which is or will become subject to contracts for sale or use under which contractual payments may reasonably be expected to return the principal of and provide earnings on the investment within the anticipated useful life of the property which shall be not less than 5 years but the aggregate of such investments shall not exceed 3% of the insurer's assets;

(d) Loans upon the collateral security of any securities that the insurer could lawfully purchase, but not exceeding 90% of the market value of the securities up to an amount which, together with like securities owned, does not exceed the limits on the purchase of such securities;

(e) Evidences of indebtedness not otherwise authorized of the kind which if held by a bank would be eligible for discount, rediscount, purchase or sale by federal reserve banks or other government agencies having similar powers and functions but the aggregate of such investments shall not exceed 1% of the insurer's assets;

(f) Shares of savings and loan associations to the extent that they are insured or guaranteed by the United States government or any agency thereof;

(g) The cash surrender values of life insurance policies of companies authorized to do business in Wisconsin;

(h) For a company authorized to transact a credit insurance business, the claims and demands that it has guaranteed;

(i) For a company authorized to transact a title insurance business, materials and plant necessary for the convenient transaction of business — not exceeding 50% of minimum capital or 5% of assets, whichever is greater;

(j) Direct obligations of foreign governments but the aggregate of such investments shall not exceed 1% of the insurer's assets;

(k) Loans, securities or investments in countries other than the United States and Canada which are of substantially the same kinds, classes and investment grades as those eligible for investment under ch. 620, Stats., and supplementary rules, but the

aggregate of such investments shall not exceed 2% of the insurer's assets;

(L) Direct obligations of the international bank for reconstruction and development, the inter-American development bank, the African development bank and the Asian development bank but the aggregate of such investments shall not exceed 2% of the insurer's assets;

(m) For an insurer doing business in a foreign country, the assets needed to meet its obligations in the foreign country in the kinds of securities within the foreign country that would be permissible investments if made in this state; and

(n) Shares of investment companies or investment trusts registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940, 15 USC 80a-1 et seq., as amended — regarded as part of the common stock portfolio of the insurer; and

(o) Financial futures contracts and financial options contracts, provided that:

1. Such contracts shall be entered into to protect the investment portfolio of an insurer against the risk of changing asset values or interest rates, to enhance its liquidity, to aid in cash flow management, as a substitute for cash market transactions, and for any other purpose consistent with the investment objectives for the assets of insurers stated in s. 620.01, Stats.;

2. The aggregate market value of all financial futures contracts outstanding may not exceed 10% of the insurer's admitted assets;

3. An insurer may purchase put options or sell call options only with regard to financial futures contracts or financial instruments owned by, or which may be obtained through exercise of warrants or conversion rights held by the insurer;

4. An insurer may purchase call options or sell put options on financial futures contracts or financial instruments only if the amount of the instrument which may be acquired upon exercise of the option, when aggregated with current holdings, would be an authorized investment under s. 620.22 (1) to (7), Stats., or this subsection, and would not exceed the limitations specified in s. 620.23, Stats., or this section;

5. The board of directors or its authorized committee shall first approve the insurer's plan relating to such investments, which plan must contain specific policy objectives and strategies, establish aggregate maximum limits in such investments and internal control procedures, and identify the duties, expertise and limits of authority of personnel authorized by the board of directors to engage in such transactions on behalf of the insurer; and

6. A copy of the insurer's plan shall be filed with the commissioner 30 days prior to its effective date. The commissioner may disapprove the plan within the 30-day period.

(9) CHANGES IN QUALIFICATION OF INVESTMENTS. Any investment originally made under s. 620.22 (9), Stats., may thereafter be considered as falling within any other class of investment for which it subsequently qualifies.

(10) VALUATION. (a) *General.* Security valuations contained in "Valuations of Securities", issued by the Committee on Valuation of Securities of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, will be followed in implementing this chapter.

(b) *Insurance policies.* Insurance policies purchased under sub. (8) (g) will be valued at their cash surrender value.

(c) *Claims and demands guaranteed by insurer.* When an insurer authorized to sell credit insurance purchases, under sub. (8) (h), claims and demands it has guaranteed, it shall value them at face value or at cost, whichever is less, and shall set up a separate and adequate "loss reserve for guaranteed claims purchased" in an amount satisfactory to the commissioner.

History: Cr. emerg. eff. 5-2-72; cr. Register, July, 1972, No. 199, eff. 8-1-72; am. (5) (a) 1., Register, October, 1974, No. 226, eff. 11-1-74; r. and recr. (5) (g), cr. (6) (c), Register, December, 1974, No. 228, eff. 1-1-75; emerg. am. (6) (a), eff. 6-22-76, am. (6) (a), Register, September, 1976, No. 249, eff. 10-1-76; am. (8) (intro.), (b), (c), (e), (j), (k) and (l), Register, August, 1981, No. 308, eff. 9-1-81; reprinted to correct printing error in (8) (f), Register, March, 1983, No. 327; correction in (9) made

under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 7., Stats., Register, December, 1984, No. 348; renum. (3) (a) to (e) to be (3) (e) to (h) and (j), cr. (3) (a) to (d), (i), (4) (c) and (8) (o), am. (4) (a) and (b) and (8) (n), Register, April, 1987, No. 376, eff. 5-1-87; am. (8) (l), Register, October, 1990, No. 418, eff. 11-1-90; corrections in (4) (b) and (6) (b) 3. made under s. 13.93 (2m) (b) 5. and 7., Stats., Register, April, 1992, No. 436; renum. (3) (f) to (j) to be (3) (g) to (k), cr. (3) (f), (L), (6) (d) to (h), am. (5) (intro.), (6) (a), r. and recr. (5) (g), (6) (b), (c), Register, December, 1996, No. 492, eff. 1-1-97.

Ins 6.25 Joint underwriting and joint reinsurance associations. (1) **PURPOSE.** This section, pursuant to s. 625.04, Stats., is intended to encourage an active, economical and efficient insurance market; to provide for the regulation of marketing practices; and to exempt certain insurers and organizations from the provisions of s. 625.33, Stats., with respect to joint underwriting or joint reinsurance.

(2) **SCOPE.** Subsection (3) applies to joint underwriting and joint reinsurance involving the insurance of risks associated with:

- (a) Nuclear energy.
- (b) Commercial aircraft.
- (c) Aircraft products liability.
- (d) Crude oil production and processing.
- (e) Municipal bonds.

(f) Commercial property policies insuring property damage, business interruption, extra expense, rents and other time element coverages, for any policy whose total property damage limit is an amount not less than \$50,000,000.

(g) Excess and umbrella liability with limits in excess of \$25 million to risks with underlying coverage or self-insured for a minimum of \$25 million.

(3) **PERSONS EXEMPTED.** If any of the following joint underwriting associations and joint reinsurance associations is licensed as a rate service organization under s. 625.32, Stats., each insurer-member thereof shall be exempted from the provisions of s. 625.33, Stats., with respect to agreements between or among insurer-members to adhere to certain rates and rules in providing insurance or reinsurance as members of such association:

- (a) Aircraft products insurance association
- (b) Industrial risk insurers
- (c) Mutual atomic energy liability underwriters
- (d) Mutual atomic energy reinsurance pool
- (e) American nuclear insurers
- (f) Nuclear energy property insurance association
- (g) Municipal bond insurance association
- (h) American excess insurance association.

(4) **LIMITATION ON MEMBERSHIP DISCIPLINARY ACTION.** No person may impose any penalty or other adverse consequence for failure of any insurer to adhere to the rates or rules of any joint underwriting association or joint reinsurance association of which the insurer is a member, except termination of or expulsion of the insurer from membership in the association.

(5) **PENALTY.** Violations of this section shall be subject to s. 601.64, Stats.

History: Cr. Register, September, 1973, No. 213, eff. 10-1-73; am. (2) and (3), Register, August, 1974, No. 224, eff. 9-1-74; am. (3) (e), Register, May, 1975, No. 233, eff. 6-1-75; am. (3), Register, February, 1976, No. 242, eff. 3-1-76; am. (3) (e), Register, November, 1978, No. 275, eff. 12-1-78; cr. (2) (f), Register, January, 1983, No. 325, eff. 2-1-83; emerg. cr. (2) (g) and (3) (h), eff. 12-12-86; am. (1), (2) (intro.) to (e), (4) and (5), cr. (2) (g) and (3) (h), Register, May, 1987, No. 377, eff. 6-1-87.

Ins 6.30 Instructions for uniform classifications of expenses of fire and marine and casualty and surety insurers. For the purpose of establishing uniformity in classifications of expenses of fire and marine and casualty and surety insurers recorded in statements and reports filed with and statistics reported to the commissioner of insurance, all such insurers shall observe the instructions set forth below. These instructions shall not apply to single line accident and health insurance companies, assessment accident and health associations, hospital and medical service or indemnity organizations, single line title insurance companies, or town mutual insurance companies.

(1) **PART I.** (a) *List of operating expense classifications for annual statement purposes for fire and marine and casualty and surety insurers.*

1. Claim Adjustment Services:
 - a. Direct
 - b. Reinsurance Assumed
 - c. Reinsurance Ceded
 2. Commission and Brokerage:
 - a. Direct
 - b. Reinsurance Assumed
 - c. Reinsurance Ceded
 3. Allowances to Managers and Agents
 4. Advertising
 5. Boards, Bureaus and Associations
 6. Surveys and Underwriting Reports
 7. Audit of Assureds' Records
 8. Salaries
 9. Employee Relations and Welfare
 10. Insurance
 11. Directors' Fees
 12. Travel and Travel Items
 13. Rent and Rent Items
 14. Equipment
 15. Printing and Stationery
 16. Postage, Telephone and Telegraph, Exchange and Express
 17. Legal and Auditing
 18. Taxes, Licenses and Fees:
 - a. State and Local Insurance Taxes
 - b. Insurance Department Licenses and Fees
 - c. Payroll Taxes
 - d. All Other (excluding Federal and Foreign Income and Real Estate)
 19. Real Estate Expenses
 20. Real Estate Taxes
 21. Miscellaneous
- (b) *Instructions relating to operating expense classifications.*

1. Claim Adjustment Services
 - a. Direct

Include the following expenses when in connection with the investigation and adjustment of policy claims:

Independent Adjusters: Fees and expenses of independent adjusters or settling agents.

Legal: Fees and expenses of lawyers for legal services in the defense, trial, or appeal of suits, or for other legal services.

Bonds: Premium costs of bonds.

Appeal Costs and Expenses: Appeal bond premiums; charges for printing records; charges for printing briefs; court fees incidental to appeals.

General Court Costs and Fees: Entry fees and other court costs, and other fees not includable in Losses. Note: Interest and costs assessed as part of or subsequent to judgment are includable in Losses.

Medical Testimony: Fees and expenses of medical witnesses for attendance or testimony at trials or hearings ("Medical" includes physicians, surgeons, chiropractors, chiropodists, dentists, osteopaths, veterinarians, and hospital representatives).

Expert Witnesses: Fees and expenses of expert witnesses for attendance or testimony at trials or hearings.