

Legislative Fiscal Bureau

One East Main, Suite 301 • Madison, WI 53703 • (608) 266-3847 • Fax: (608) 267-6873

May 9, 2001

Joint Committee on Finance

Paper #935

DNR Payments for DOT Radio Services (DOT -- State Patrol)

CURRENT LAW

The 1999-01 budget consolidated the radio maintenance facilities of the Departments of Natural Resources and Transportation under the management of the Department of Transportation. The budget transferred 7.0 positions from DNR to DOT and required DNR to make quarterly payments for radio services in 1999-00 and 2000-01. DNR has \$445,800 in its base budget for general program operations for making this payment

GOVERNOR

No provision.

MODIFICATION

Require DNR to make quarterly payments of \$111,450 to DOT for radio services, if DOT provides such services.

Explanation: The 1999-01 budget required DNR to make payments to DOT for radio services in 1999-00 and in 2000-01, but there is no ongoing requirement for DNR to make such payments. DNR has base funding for making these payments and intends to continue making such payments, even though the Department is not statutorily required to make them. The transportation fund revenue estimates under the bill assume that these payments will be made. This modification would create a statutory requirement that DNR make the payments.

Prepared by: Jon Dyck