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Transfers Between Appropriations (DNR -- Departmentwide)

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CURRENT LAW

In the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the Office of Business Support and Sustainability (OBSS) is budgeted within the Division of Customer Assistance and Employee Services (CAES). The Office provides pollution prevention, regulatory assistance, and industry recognition to Wisconsin businesses across a variety of business sectors.

GOVERNOR

Transfer all funding and positions in the OBSS from CAES to the Public Safety and Business Support program. This would include moving \$236,700 PR and 2.5 PR positions annually from the OBSS appropriation funded from fees received from federally-regulated stationary sources of air pollutants to the existing Public Safety and Business Support appropriation funded from public and private sources. The administration states the transfer to an incompatible funding source was an error.

MODIFICATION

Transfer \$236,700 PR and 2.5 PR positions annually to an appropriation funded from fees for federally-regulated stationary sources of air pollutants, which is the same funding source as currently supports the positions.

Explanation: The modification would correct the bill to transfer the positions to an appropriation that receives revenue from the same air emissions-related funding source as currently funds them.

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