

State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau PUBLIC UTILITIES

Brownfield renewable energy generation grants

Under the bill, PSC makes grants to developers and electric providers for redeveloping brownfields for renewable energy generation. The grants may be used only for remediating brownfields, developing renewable energy infrastructure on brownfields, and technical support.

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

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

SECTION 1. 20.155 (3) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

20.155 (3) (b) Brownfield renewable energy generation grants. Biennially, the

amounts in the schedule for brownfield renewable energy generation grants under

s. 196.94.

****NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 196.94 of the statutes is created to read:

196.94 Brownfield renewable energy generation grants. (1)

DEFINITIONS. In this section:

- (a) "Brownfields" has the meaning given in s. 238.13 (1) (a).
- (b) "Electric provider" means any of the following:

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1. A public utility that generates, transmits, or distributes electric energy at wholesale or retail.

2. A cooperative association incorporated under ch. 185 to do business in this state that carries on the business of generating, transmitting, or distributing electric energy to its members at wholesale or retail.

(c) "Renewable energy" has the meaning given in s. 196.378 (1) (fg).

(2) GRANT PROGRAM. (a) From the appropriation under s. 20.155 (3) (b), the commission shall make grants to developers and electric providers for redeveloping brownfields for renewable energy generation.

(b) A grant under this section may be used only for remediating brownfields, developing renewable energy infrastructure on brownfields, and technical support.

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