

State of Misconsin 2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

DOA:.....Kretschmann, BB0545 - Funding to Address Audit Recommendations

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau STATE GOVERNMENT

GENERAL STATE GOVERNMENT

First class city school district audit response funding

This bill directs DOA to provide payments to a first class city school district (currently only Milwaukee Public Schools) to implement recommendations from audits of the school district initiated by the governor. The payments may be used for items addressed in the audits, financial reporting software, and data compatibility with state and local finance systems. Additionally, the payments may be made only if, at the time of payment, the secretary of administration is satisfied that the school district is already making substantial progress on implementation of the audit recommendations.

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

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

SECTION 1. 16.23 of the statutes is created to read:

16.23 First class city school district audit response support. (1)

Subject to sub. (2), the department shall provide payments to a 1st class city school district to implement recommendations from instructional and operational audits of the school district initiated by the governor. Moneys received under this subsection may be expended for items addressed in the audits, development and implementation of integrated financial reporting software, and facilitation of data compatibility with state and local finance systems.

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(2) No payment may be made under sub. (1) unless, at the time of payment, the secretary is satisfied that the school district is already making substantial progress on implementation of the audit recommendations.

SECTION 2. 20.505 (1) (cv) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (cv) *First class city school district audit response support.* Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for payments under s. 16.23 to a 1st class city school district to implement audit recommendations.

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

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