

### State of Misconsin 2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

## **PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

1	AN ACT to amend 20.445 (1) (sm) of the statutes; relating to: the uninsured
2	employers fund appropriation and making an appropriation (suggested as
3	remedial legislation by the Department of Workforce Development).

#### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, employers are generally required to hold worker's compensation insurance or to self-insure for injuries to workers. Current law establishes an uninsured employers fund (UEF), which is used to pay worker's compensation benefits on claims filed by employees who are injured while working for uninsured employers in this state that are violating the statutory requirement that they be insured. The money for the UEF comes from, among various sources, penalties assessed against uninsured employers that are violating the statutory requirement that they be insured. This bill changes the appropriation for the UEF from a sum sufficient appropriation to a continuing appropriation.

For further information, see the NOTES provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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:

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE PREFATORY NOTE: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the Department of Workforce Development and introduced by the

Law Revision Committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4. and 5., stats. After careful consideration of the various provisions of the bill, the Law Revision Committee has determined that this bill makes changes to statutes or session laws that the Law Revision Committee determined to be in need of revision.

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**SECTION 1.** 20.445 (1) (sm) of the statutes is amended to read:

- 2 20.445 (1) (sm) Uninsured employers fund; payments. From the uninsured
- 3 employers fund, <u>a sum sufficient to make all moneys received from sources identified</u>
- 4 <u>under s. 102.80 (1m) for the purpose of making the payments under s. 102.81 (1) and</u>
- 5 to obtain reinsurance under s. 102.81 (2). No moneys may be expended or
- 6 encumbered under this paragraph until the first day of the first July beginning after
- 7 the day that the secretary of workforce development files the certificate under s.
- 8 102.80 (3) (a).

Note: Section 1 changes the existing sum certain appropriation to a continuing appropriation.

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#### (END)