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TO: Members
Wisconsin Legislature

FROM: Bob Lang, Director

SUBJECT: Earmark Transparency Report on 2013 Assembly Bill 40 and the 2013-15 Capital Budget Recommendations of the Building Commission

Under section 13.95(1r) of the statutes, as created by 2011 Wisconsin Act 220, the Legislative Fiscal Bureau must prepare an earmark transparency report on each biennial budget bill and on each amendment to that bill. The attachment to this memorandum provides the required earmark transparency report for 2013 Assembly Bill 40, the Governor's 2013-15 biennial budget, and the 2013-15 capital budget recommendations of the Building Commission.

For purposes of this report, the statutes define an earmark as a provision that does either of the following: (1) authorizes or requires the payment of state moneys to a specific beneficiary or beneficiaries in a manner not determined by laws of general applicability for the selection of the beneficiary or beneficiaries; or (2) creates or modifies a tax deduction, credit, exclusion, or exemption that applies to a specific beneficiary or beneficiaries in a manner not determined by laws of general applicability for the selection of the beneficiary or beneficiaries. The earmark transparency report must include the following elements: (1) a list of all earmarks; (2) the cost of each earmark; (3) the beneficiary of each earmark, if the Bureau can make this determination, and the assembly and senate district in which the beneficiary resides (for individuals) or is located (for entities); and (4) for a report on a budget amendment, the name of the legislator who proposed the earmark.

Under section 13.102 of the statutes, the Joint Committee on Finance may not vote to recommend passage of the biennial budget bill or an amendment to the bill until the required report, on either the bill or amendment, has been distributed by the Bureau to each member of the Legislature and is made available on the Legislature's website. During the Committee's budget deliberation, a motion to delete an earmark identified in this report shall prevail on either a majority or tie vote.

Section 13.39 of the statutes specifies that neither house of the Legislature may pass the biennial budget bill until the Bureau has distributed a copy of an earmark transparency report on the bill, as amended, to each member of the Legislature and has made the report available on the Legislature's website. If a conference committee is convened on the biennial budget bill, the conference report may not add any earmarks to the budget, but may reduce the cost of any existing earmarks.

The attached list includes items contained within AB 40 and the recommendations of the Building Commission which, in our review, reflect the language of 2011 Act 220. The items that are listed identify a specific, named, non-state beneficiary of the earmark. The list does not include projects or programs that would be funded for a state government purpose, such as University of Wisconsin campus facilities or state highway projects.

Included for each item are the page and item number showing where the provisions are described in the Legislative Fiscal Bureau's summaries of the Governor's budget and recommendations of the Building Commission. For each item, the cost (appropriation or authorization) of the provision, beneficiary of the provision (if determinable), and Senate and Assembly districts of the beneficiary (if determinable) are shown if the specific location of the program or project is identified.

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Attachment

Earmark Transparency Report

2013 AB 40 and 2013-15 Capital Budget Recommendations of the Building Commission

Grants to Boys and Girls Clubs of America (Page 119, #18)

2013-15 Appropriation: \$2,300,000 FED
Beneficiary: Boys and Girls Clubs of America

Family Medicine Residency Programs (Page 300, #1)

2013-15 Appropriation: \$1,756,000 GPR
Beneficiary: Medical College of Wisconsin

Teach for America (Page 393 #9)

2013-15 Appropriation: \$1,000,000 GPR
Beneficiary: Teach for America, Inc.

Special Olympics (Page 395, #17)

2013-15 Appropriation: \$15,000 GPR
Beneficiary: Special Olympics

Grants to Federally-Recognized Veterans Service Organizations (Page 489, #4 (part))

2013-15 Appropriation: \$356,000 SEG; award amounts to individual beneficiaries unknown
Beneficiaries: American Legion
Disabled American Veterans
The Military Order of the Purple Heart
Veterans of Foreign Wars

Grant for the Operation of Camp American Legion (Page 489, #4 (part))

2013-15 Appropriation: \$80,000 SEG
Beneficiary: Camp American Legion (Lake Tomahawk)
Senate District: 12
Assembly District: 34

Grant to the Wisconsin Department of Disabled Veterans (Page 489, #4 (part))

2013-15 Appropriation: \$40,000 SEG
Beneficiary: Wisconsin Department of Disabled American Veterans

Grant to VETransfer (Page 490, #6)

2013-15 Appropriation: \$500,000 SEG
Beneficiary: Veteran Entrepreneurial Transfer, Incorporated (VETransfer) (City of Milwaukee)
Senate District: 7
Assembly District: 19

Family Justice Center (Page 526, #5)

2013-15 Authorization: \$10,625,000 BR

Beneficiary: Children's Hospital of Wisconsin (City of Milwaukee)

Senate District: 6

Assembly District: 16

Domestic Abuse Intervention Service Facility and Shelter (Page 527, #6)

2013-15 Authorization: \$560,000 BR

Beneficiary: Domestic Abuse Intervention Services, Inc. (City of Madison)

Senate District: 16

Assembly District: 47

Community Medical Education Centers (Page 528, #7)

2013-15 Authorization: \$7,384,300 BR

Beneficiary: Medical College of Wisconsin

K I Convention Center (Page 529, #8)

2013-15 Authorization: \$2,000,000 BR

Beneficiary: City of Green Bay

Senate District: 30

Assembly District: 90

Dane County Livestock Facilities (Page 530, #9)

2013-15 Authorization: \$9,000,000 BR

Beneficiary: Dane County

Senate District: 16

Assembly District: 47

Wisconsin Maritime Center of Excellence (Page 531, #10)

2013-15 Authorization: \$5,000,000 BR

Beneficiary: Marinette County Association for Business and Industry, Inc.

Senate District: 30

Assembly District: 89

Norskedalen Nature and Heritage Center (Page 531, #11)

2013-15 Authorization: \$1,048,300 BR

Beneficiary: Norskedalen Nature and Heritage Center

Senate District: 32

Assembly District: 96