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TO: Senator Scott Fitzgerald
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SUBJECT: Examples of Tuition Savings for UW Resident Undergraduate Students Due to the 2013-15 and 2015-17 Statutory Tuition Freezes

At your request, I have prepared examples to illustrate how much UW resident undergraduate students may have saved due to the statutory tuition freeze during the 2013-15 and 2015-17 biennia. As requested, these examples were calculated using the annualized rate of change in resident undergraduate tuition during the four- and ten-year periods preceding the 2013-14 year.

Table 1 shows resident undergraduate tuition at UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee, average resident undergraduate tuition at the 13 UW comprehensive institutions, and resident undergraduate tuition at the UW Colleges in 2002-03 and 2012-13, the total percentage change in resident undergraduate tuition over that time period, and the annualized rate of change in resident undergraduate tuition over that time period. As shown in the table, average tuition charged to resident undergraduate students enrolled in UW institutions increased at annualized rate of 8.1% from 2002-03 to 2012-13 for a total increase of 118.7%. As the tuition amounts shown in Table 1 exclude differential tuition charged only to students enrolled in certain programs, actual tuition increases would have been higher than shown in Table 1 for some resident undergraduate students.

TABLE 1**Increase in Resident Undergraduate Tuition Charged
by UW Institutions from 2002-03 to 2012-13***

	<u>2002-03</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>% Change</u>	<u>Annualized Change</u>
Madison	\$3,854	\$9,273	140.6%	9.2%
Milwaukee	3,738	8,091	116.5	8.0
Comprehensives	3,041	6,723	121.1	8.3
UW Colleges	2,700	4,750	75.9	5.8
Weighted Average**	\$3,266	\$7,144	118.7%	8.1%

*Includes differential tuitions charged to all resident undergraduates at an institution. Excludes differential tuition charged only to resident undergraduates enrolled in specific programs.

**Based on resident undergraduate headcount enrollment in 2002-03 and 2012-13.

Table 2 shows the same information as Table 1 for the period from 2008-09 to 2012-13. As shown in the table, average tuition charged to resident undergraduate students enrolled in UW institutions increased at annualized rate of 6.2% from 2008-09 to 2012-13 for a total increase of 27.3%. As in Table 1, the tuition amounts shown in Table 2 exclude differential tuition charged only to students enrolled in certain programs, so actual tuition increases would have been higher than shown in Table 2 for some resident undergraduate students.

TABLE 2**Increase in Resident Undergraduate Tuition Charged
by UW Institutions from 2008-09 to 2012-13***

	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2012-13</u>	<u>% Change</u>	<u>Annualized Change</u>
Madison	\$6,678	\$9,273	38.9%	8.6%
Milwaukee	6,531	8,091	23.9	5.5
Comprehensives	5,248	6,723	28.1	6.4
UW Colleges	4,268	4,750	11.3	2.7
Weighted Average**	\$5,614	\$7,144	27.3%	6.2%

*Includes differential tuitions charged to all resident undergraduates at an institution. Excludes differential tuition charged only to resident undergraduates enrolled in specific programs.

**Based on resident undergraduate headcount enrollment in 2008-09 and 2012-13.

TABLE 3**Actual UW Resident Undergraduate Tuition Rates and Potential UW Resident Undergraduate Tuition Rates If Tuition Had Increased by the Annualized Rate of Change in UW Resident Undergraduate Tuition from 2002-03 to 2012-13**

	<u>Actual</u>					<u>If Tuition Had Been Increased by the Annualized Percent Change for the Period from 2002-03 to 2012-13</u>					<u>Difference</u>
	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17*</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Madison	\$9,273	\$9,273	\$9,273	\$9,273	\$37,092	\$10,124	\$11,053	\$12,067	\$13,175	\$46,419	\$9,327
Milwaukee	8,091	8,091	8,091	8,091	32,364	8,741	9,442	10,200	11,019	39,402	7,038
Comprehensives	6,723	6,723	6,723	6,723	26,892	7,278	7,879	8,530	9,234	32,921	6,029
UW Colleges	4,750	4,750	4,750	4,750	19,000	5,026	5,318	5,627	5,954	21,926	2,926
Weighted Average**	\$7,144	\$7,144	\$7,144	\$7,144	\$28,576	\$7,726	\$8,355	\$9,035	\$9,771	\$34,887	\$6,311

*Excludes a differential tuition at UW-Stevens Point that was approved by the Board of Regents in December, 2015. In 2016-17, freshmen and sophomores at UW-Stevens Point will be charged an additional \$400 annually and juniors will be charged an additional \$200 annually.

**Based on resident undergraduate headcount enrollment in 2012-13.

TABLE 4**Actual UW Resident Undergraduate Tuition Rates and Potential UW Resident Undergraduate Tuition Rates If Tuition Had Increased by the Annualized Rate of Change in UW Resident Undergraduate Tuition from 2008-09 to 2012-13**

	<u>Actual</u>					<u>If Tuition Had Been Increased by the Annualized Percent Change for the Period from 2008-09 to 2012-13</u>					<u>Difference</u>
	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17*</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Madison	\$9,273	\$9,273	\$9,273	\$9,273	\$37,092	\$10,066	\$10,927	\$11,862	\$12,876	\$45,732	\$8,640
Milwaukee	8,091	8,091	8,091	8,091	32,364	8,536	9,006	9,501	10,024	37,066	4,702
Comprehensives	6,723	6,723	6,723	6,723	26,892	7,152	7,609	8,095	8,613	31,470	4,578
UW Colleges	4,750	4,750	4,750	4,750	19,000	4,879	5,011	5,147	5,286	20,323	1,323
Weighted Average**	\$7,144	\$7,144	\$7,144	\$7,144	\$28,576	\$7,588	\$8,059	\$8,560	\$9,091	\$33,299	\$4,723

*Excludes a differential tuition at UW-Stevens Point that was approved by the Board of Regents in December, 2015. In 2016-17, freshmen and sophomores at UW-Stevens Point will be charged an additional \$400 annually and juniors will be charged an additional \$200 annually.

**Based on resident undergraduate headcount enrollment in 2012-13.

Table 3 compares actual UW resident undergraduate tuition rates, which have been frozen by law from 2013-14 to 2016-17, to estimated UW resident undergraduate tuition rates if those rates had instead increased by the annualized rate of change in UW resident undergraduate tuition from 2002-03 to 2012-13 from 2013-14 to 2016-17. As shown in Table 3, resident undergraduate students enrolled full-time during the four year period from 2013-14 to 2016-17 paid, on average, \$6,311 less in tuition under the tuition freeze than if tuition had increased by the annualized rate of change in tuition from 2002-03 to 2012-13. Resident undergraduates enrolled in UW-Madison and UW-Milwaukee may have saved greater amounts due to the tuition freeze, \$9,327 and \$7,038 respectively, while students enrolled in the UW Colleges may have saved \$2,926.

Table 4 compares actual UW resident undergraduate tuition rates to estimated UW resident undergraduate tuition rates if those rates had increased by the annualized rate of change in UW resident undergraduate tuition from 2008-09 to 2012-13 from 2013-14 to 2016-17 instead of being frozen by law in those years. As shown in Table 4, resident undergraduate students enrolled full-time during the four year period from 2013-14 to 2016-17 paid, on average, \$4,723 less in tuition under the tuition freeze than if tuition had increased by the annualized rate of change in tuition from 2008-09 to 2012-13. Resident undergraduates enrolled in UW-Madison may have saved \$8,640 due to the tuition freeze, while students enrolled in the UW Colleges may have saved \$1,323.

I hope this information is helpful. Please contact me if you have questions.

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