November 8, 2019

Joint Committee on Employment Relations
Co-Chairpersons and Members
Room 113 South, State Capitol
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Co-Chairpersons and Committee Members:

The State of Wisconsin, represented by the Department of Administration, Division of Personnel Management (DPM), and the Wisconsin Building Trades Council have completed the process of negotiating a labor agreement for the 2018-2019 fiscal year for the building trades crafts bargaining unit.

Negotiations resulted in a tentative agreement that has been ratified by the members of the bargaining unit. DPM recommends approval of the tentative agreement by the Joint Committee on Employment Relations and the Legislature.

The tentative agreement increases rates in the pay schedule for Trades occupations by a 2.13% General Wage Adjustment (GWA), thereby providing employees with a corresponding adjustment to the new applicable occupational pay rate. Employees will receive a lump sum payment for the amount of the increase for all hours in pay status back to January 06, 2019.

The effective date of the Agreement will be the day following publication in the official state newspaper. The Agreement is in effect for the fiscal year that expired June 30, 2019.

Sincerely,

Malika S. Evanco

Attachments: 1. Bill Draft
2. Fiscal Note
3. 2018-2019 Tentative Agreement
AN ACT relating to: ratification of the agreement negotiated between the state of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin State Building Trades Negotiating Committee, for the 2018–19 fiscal year, covering employees in the building trades crafts collective bargaining unit, and authorizing an expenditure of funds.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This proposal is introduced under section 111.92 (1) of the statutes. The proposal ratifies the collective bargaining contract for state employees in the building trades crafts collective bargaining unit negotiated for the 2018–19 fiscal year under the State Employment Labor Relations Act. Currently, statutory program supplement appropriations fund the costs of collective bargaining agreements to the extent that they exceed budgeted costs. The proposal authorizes expenditure of moneys from those appropriations to fund the cost of this agreement.

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. Agreement Ratified. The legislature ratifies the tentative agreement negotiated for the 2018–19 fiscal year between the state of Wisconsin, the
division of personnel management in the department of administration, and the
Wisconsin State Building Trades Negotiating Committee, covering employees in the
building trades crafts collective bargaining unit under subchapter V of chapter 111
of the statutes, as approved by the employees of the building trades crafts collective
bargaining unit and approved and recommended by the joint committee on
employment relations, and authorizes the necessary expenditure of moneys for
implementation from the appropriations made by section 20.865 (1) of the statutes,
subject to section 20.865 (intro.) of the statutes. The administrator of the division
of personnel management in the department of administration shall file an official
copy of the agreement, certified by the cochairpersons of the joint committee on
employment relations, with the secretary of state. No formal or informal agreement
between the parties that is not a part of the official copy is deemed to be approved
by the legislature under this act.

SECTION 2. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, except that those
provisions specifically identified as having other effective dates in the agreement
covering employees in the building trades crafts collective bargaining unit are
effective on the dates provided in that agreement.
WAGE INCREASES IN 2018-2019 AGREEMENT
Building Trades (04)

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FISCAL YEAR INCREASES:

A) FY19 General Wage Adjustment (GWA): Effective the first pay period following the contract effective date, each occupational pay rate on the list of Trades pay rates is increased by a GWA of 2.13%, and the pay rates for individual Trades employees are increased to the new rates. A lump sum payment will be provided for all hours in pay status back to January 06, 2019.
AGREEMENT

between the

STATE OF WISCONSIN

and the

WISCONSIN STATE BUILDING TRADES NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

and its

APPROPRIATE AFFILIATED BUILDING TRADES COUNCILS

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AGREEMENT

This Agreement made and entered into this TBD 5th day of April, 2018, at Madison, Wisconsin, pursuant to the provisions of ss. 111.80-111.94, Wis. Stats., by and between the State of Wisconsin and its Agencies (hereinafter referred to as the Employer) represented by the Department of Administration, Division of Personnel Management and the Wisconsin State Building Trades Negotiating Committee, AFL-CIO, and its appropriate affiliated locals, hereinafter referred to as the Union.

PURPOSE OF AGREEMENT

It is the intent and purpose of the parties hereto that this Agreement constitutes an implementation of the provisions of ss. 111.80-111.94, Wis. Stats., consistent with the legislative authority contained therein, and provides for orderly and constructive employment relations in the public interest and in the interests of employees hereby covered and the State as an Employer.

The parties do hereby acknowledge that this Agreement represents an amicable understanding reached by the parties as the result of the unlimited right and opportunity of the parties to make any and all demands with respect to the Employer-employee relationship which exists between them relative to the subjects of bargaining.
ARTICLE I

Scope of the Agreement

1/1/1 This Agreement relates only to classified employees of the State of Wisconsin in the appropriate collective bargaining units as defined by the Wisconsin Employment Relations Commission certifications Cases V and VI; Nos. 15579 and 15580; SE-40 and SE-41; Decision Nos. 10991-B and 10992-B, dated January 4, 1973.
ARTICLE II

Wages

Section 1 General Wage Adjustment (GWA)

2/1/1 Effective the first day of the pay period following the Agreement effective date June 24, 2018, the Employer will increase each pay rate in the schedule of Trades occupation pay rates for bargaining unit employees by a General Wage Adjustment (GWA) of two point one three percent (2.13%) one point twenty-six percent (1.26%). Each employee in pay status will receive a corresponding adjustment to the new applicable occupational pay rate.

Section 2 Lump Sum Wage Payment for Delay in Implementing the 2018-2019 General Wage Adjustment (GWA)

2/2/1 Employees in pay status on the effective date of the GWA will receive a lump sum wage payment in an amount equal to the value of the GWA received under 2/1/1, above, multiplied by the number of the employee’s hours in pay status in a bargaining unit position between January 06, 2019, and the effective date of the GWA. The lump sum wage payment will be provided as soon after the effective date of the Agreement as is administratively feasible.

2/2/2 Employees who were laid off from the bargaining unit after January 06, 2019, will receive a lump sum wage payment in an amount equal to the value of the GWA they would have received under 2/1/1, above, multiplied by the number of the employee’s hours in pay status between January 06, 2019, and the effective date of the GWA.

2/2/3 Employees who went on a leave of absence from a position in the bargaining unit after January 06, 2019, and have not returned to pay status will receive no payment until they return to pay status in the bargaining unit.

2/2/4 For the purposes of calculating employee benefits, the lump sum wage payment will be considered as salary or wages earned during the period commencing January 06, 2019, to the effective date of the Agreement.