

2007-2009 State Budget (SB 40)  
 Comparison of WTCS and WTCS-Related Provisions  
 October 10, 2007

<p><b>Current Law/ “Base” Funding</b></p> <p>Plus Governor’s budget proposal, if any.</p>	<p><b>Joint Finance Committee “JFC”</b></p> <p>(6/20/07)</p>	<p><b>Senate</b></p> <p>(6/26/07)</p>	<p><b>Assembly</b></p> <p>(7/09/07)</p>	<p><b>Latest Offers</b></p> <p>(10/10/07)</p>
<p><b><u>General Aid</u></b></p> <p>\$118.4 million annual current funding (flat since 2001).</p> <p>Governor proposed maintaining current funding.</p>	<p>Maintain current funding.</p>	<p>Maintain current funding.</p>	<p>Cut current funding by \$7.1 million over the biennium (\$3.55 million annually), a 3% cut to existing funding.</p>	<p>Assembly and Senate agree to \$1 million one time “lapse,” (\$500,000 annual) to current general and/or categorical aid funding.</p>
<p><b><u>Categorical Aid</u></b></p> <p>Various categories (totaling \$19.4 million annually).</p> <p>Governor proposed maintaining current funding.</p>	<p>Maintain current funding. (See NTC Agri-Science earmark, below)</p>	<p>Maintain current funding.</p>	<p>Cut categorical programs by \$5.8 million over the biennium as follows:</p>	<p>See box above</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>Minority Retention Grants</u></b></p> <p>Current funding of \$756,900 WTCS splits with private and tribal colleges</p> <p>Governor proposed \$57,000 increase over biennium.</p>	<p>Maintain current funding</p> <p>Same as Governor</p>	<p>Maintain current funding</p> <p>Same as Governor/JFC</p>	<p>- Cut Incentive Grants \$3.89 million (30%) over the biennium (\$1.95 million annually);</p> <p>- Cut Faculty Development Grants \$317,800 (20%) over the biennium (\$158,900 annually);</p> <p>- Cut Displaced Homemaker Grants \$1,013,400 (62.3%) over the biennium (\$506,700 annually);</p> <p>- Cut Supplemental Aid \$569,400 (20%) over the biennium (\$284,700 annually).</p> <p>Require audit of minority recruitment programs.</p>	<p>See above.</p> <p>?? (Audit)</p> <p>Assembly and Senate agree to restore \$57,000 increase over biennium.</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>Workforce Advancement Training Grants</u></b></p> <p>\$1 million annual current funding.</p> <p>Governor proposed increase to \$3 million in 2007-08 and to \$5 million in 2008-09; a total of \$6 million new funding over the biennium.</p>	<p>Reduce Governor’s increase by ½ to total funding of \$2 million in 2007-08 and \$3 million in 2008-09; a total of \$3 million new funding for the biennium.</p> <p>Restrict ½ of new funding for small business (&lt;100 employees or \$10 mil revenue). Increase match required from 50% to 100% of grant amount for small business.</p>	<p>Same as JFC.</p>	<p>Eliminate all new funding and return to base \$1 million annual funding, a cut of \$3 million biennium funding to Senate and JFC budget versions, and a cut of \$6 million biennium to the Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>Assembly and Senate agree to increase current funding by \$1 million in 2008-09. (total funding would be \$1 mil this year and \$2 mil next.)</p>
<p><b><u>Agri-Science Program at NTC</u></b></p> <p>No provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>Require \$194,000 in 2008-09 of existing WTCS Incentive Grant funds be used for NTC Agri-Science program (program is in development). This funding was not requested by the college.</p>	<p>Same as JFC.</p>	<p>Delete JFC/Senate provision.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>

<p><u>Current Law/Funding</u></p> <p><b><u>Veterans Tuition Remission Funding</u></b></p> <p>No current funding</p> <p>Governor proposed \$11.6 million over the biennium for WTCS and UW combined – This would cover what was then estimated to be 50% of costs, but is now estimated to be approx. 22% of costs (estimated to be \$52 million over the biennium for the WTCS and UW).</p>	<p><u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u></p> <p>Same funding level as Governor.</p> <p>Also: prorate funds between WTCS and UW at the end of each year; restrict remission to undergrad work only; restrict to use within 10 years of leaving service.</p>	<p><u>Senate</u></p> <p>Same funding level as Governor.</p> <p>Replace JFC limits and instead limit remissions to either 1) one undergrad degree of up to the lesser of 8 semesters or 128 credits, or, 2) for a vet already holding an undergrad degree, one grad degree or up to 48 credits of grad work.</p>	<p><u>Assembly</u></p> <p>Eliminate entire \$11.6 proposed funding, making the mandate entirely unfunded for the WTCS and UW.</p> <p>Impose same eligibility limits as Senate.</p>	<p><u>Latest Offers</u></p> <p>Senate continues to propose \$11.6 mil over biennium (\$5 mil this year and \$6.6 next) for WTCS and UW.</p> <p>Assembly now proposing \$0 this year and \$5 mil in 2008-09.</p> <p>???</p> <p>(As to eligibility requirements)</p>
<p><b><u>WHEG (Financial Aid)</u></b></p> <p>Current funding \$16.71 million annually for need-based grants through HEAB.</p> <p>Governor proposed \$417,800 (2.5%) increase in 2007-08 and \$835,600 (2.4%) increase in 2008-09.</p>	<p>Same funding increase as Governor.</p>	<p>Same funding increase as Governor.</p>	<p>Eliminate all new funding,</p> <p>Plus, require a performance audit of all HEAB financial aid programs.</p>	<p>Assembly now proposing 4% annual increase (increase by \$668,500 this year and \$1.36 mil next).</p> <p>Senate remains at original \$2.5 and 2.4% increases.</p> <p>???</p> <p>(Audit)</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>Public Broadcasting</u></b></p> <p>(Educational Communications Board)</p> <p>No relevant provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>Eliminate state GPR funding (\$4.85 million) for public broadcasting.</p> <p>This eliminates state funding for public broadcasting at MATC-Milwaukee (Channels 10 and 36). Cuts \$250,800 over the biennium; \$125,400 annually.</p>	<p>Assembly and Senate agree to restore entire proposed cut.</p>
<p><b><u>New Property Tax Controls</u></b></p> <p>No provision affecting the WTCS in the Governor’s proposal.</p> <p>The Governor has vetoed 3 attempts in the past two sessions to impose new controls on WTCS levies.</p>	<p>No provision affecting technical colleges.</p>	<p>No provision affecting technical colleges.</p>	<p>Freeze total district levies (operations and debt) at current dollar amount for three years. Allow levy to increase annually up to statewide average growth due to <u>new</u> construction. Estimated to be approx. 3% annually.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>WTCS Agency Operations</u></b></p> <p>Current funding for WTCS agency operations is \$3.33 million annually.</p> <p>The Governor proposed maintaining current funding plus a “cost to continue” adjustment.</p>	<p>Same as Governor.</p>	<p>Same as Governor.</p>	<p>Cut WTCS Agency Operations 20% by \$1.33 million over the biennium (\$665,200 annually).</p> <p>Also, for all agencies:  - Lapse all vacant positions open for 12 months or more;  - Require state employees to pay 10% of health insurance cost;  - Require non-represented employees to pay 5% of pension contributions;  - Decrease state employee sick days to 6 annually.</p>	<p>Senate and Assembly agree to restore proposed cut and return to current funding.</p> <p>???</p> <p>(These provisions are subject to veto authority if included.)</p>
<p><b><u>Liberal Arts Tuition Mandate</u></b></p> <p>No provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>Mandate that WTCS Liberal Arts Course Tuition increase from the current 31% minimum of instructional cost to 42% in 2008-09 and 50% in 2009-10. Require proceeds (42 or 50% minus amount had tuition been 37% of cost) be used to reduce district levies.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>Enterprise Center Cost Recovery</u></b></p> <p>No provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>As of 2009-10, prohibit the use of state aid or local tax revenue to operate college book stores, cafeterias, day care centers, or public broadcast stations. Also, prohibit transfer of more than 10% of an enterprise center’s revenue to another enterprise center.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>
<p><b><u>ESL Tuition</u></b></p> <p>No provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>Delete the prohibition on charging tuition for ESL instruction. Require the WTCS Board establish tuition for ESL instruction beginning in 2008-09.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>
<p><b><u>Nano-Rite Center at CVTC</u></b> (Department of Commerce)</p> <p>No provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>Require \$192,000 of existing Dept. of Commerce funding in 2008-09 as a grant to CVTC for Nano-Rite.</p>	<p>Delete Senate provision.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>Youth Apprenticeship</u></b> (DWD)</p> <p>Currently \$1.1 million annually.</p> <p>Governor proposed to increase funding \$325,000 in 2007-08 and \$1.1 million in 2008-09. Add 2 new positions/funding at DWD.</p>	<p>Same as Governor.</p>	<p>Same as Governor/JFC.</p>	<p>Eliminate increases and positions and return to current/base funding.</p>	<p>Separate Senate and Assembly proposals remain on table (\$1.63 mil apart including positions.)</p>
<p><b><u>Youth Options</u></b></p> <p>No provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>Allow school boards to limit the number of YO credits a school district will pay for to 9 per pupil (currently 18).</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>
<p><b><u>WTCS Foundation</u></b> <b><u>DOD Surplus</u></b> <b><u>Property</u></b></p> <p>The Governor proposed \$365,000 annually for the WTCS Foundation to administer the DOD surplus property program. The funding replaces cut federal Homeland Security funding.</p>	<p>Reduce Governor’s proposal and provide \$219,000 for the biennium (\$109,500 annually). Require local governments pay \$500 annually to participate.</p>	<p>Same as JFC.</p>	<p>Delete all provisions/funding.</p>	<p>Assembly and Senate agree to JFC provision providing \$219,000 over biennium.</p> <p>??? (\$500 participation fee)</p>

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>  <b><u>MERA/Wisconsin Retirement System</u></b>  No relevant provision in current law or Governor's proposal.	<u>Joint Finance "JFC"</u>  No provision.	<u>Senate</u>  No provision.	<u>Assembly</u>  Forbid employers in the Wisconsin Retirement System covered by the Municipal Employment Relations act (including WTCS districts) from paying the first 3% of an employee's earning as the required contribution to the WRS (same as AB 449). Currently, employers may pay the employee portion of contributions.	<u>Latest Offers</u>  ??? (Subject to veto authority if included.)
<b><u>WTCS Chauffeur (Truck Driving) Grants</u></b>  Governor proposed shift of 16 budget lines, including WTCS grants for truck driving programs, from GPR to SEG (from general revenue to "segregated" gas tax revenue). This affected the source, not amount, of funding.	Same as Governor.	Accept switch for 2007-08 but not for 2008-09.	Delete Governor's/JFC provisions entirely.	???

<u>Current Law/Funding</u>	<u>Joint Finance “JFC”</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Latest Offers</u>
<p><b><u>Felons in Employment</u></b></p> <p>No relevant provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>No provision.</p>	<p>Provide that it is not employment discrimination to fire or refuse to hire certain convicted felons when the conviction is not substantially related to the position (same as AB 30).</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>
<p><b><u>Resident Tuition for Certain Undocumented Persons</u></b></p> <p>Governor proposed to allow an undocumented resident to be treated as a resident for tuition purposes if he/she: graduated from a Wisconsin high school, was continuously present in the state since beginning high school, and provides the WTCS/UW with an affidavit that he/she is seeking permanent residency in the U.S.</p>	<p>Same as Governor.</p>	<p>Same as Governor/JFC.</p>	<p>Delete provision.</p>	<p>???</p> <p>(Subject to veto authority if included.)</p>

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<p data-bbox="92 310 420 386"><b><u>Bargaining and Employer Authority</u></b></p> <p data-bbox="92 428 428 532">No relevant provision in current law or Governor’s proposal.</p>	<p data-bbox="487 418 667 448">No provision.</p>	<p data-bbox="882 418 1062 448">No provision.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1276 380 1633 630">- Remove employer’s selection of health care plans and providers as a mandatory subject of bargaining under certain circumstances (same as AB 110).</li> <li data-bbox="1276 639 1633 922">- Allow employer to contract out services currently performed by represented employees without mandatory bargaining in certain circumstances (same as AB 447).</li> <li data-bbox="1276 932 1646 1214">- Prohibit any final offer submitted to binding arbitration from requiring expenditures for compensation and benefits to be more than prior year plus increased % in state aid and property tax revenues.</li> </ul>	<p data-bbox="1671 380 2020 483">???</p> <p data-bbox="1671 418 2020 483">(All provisions subject to veto authority if included.)</p>

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