

methodology, the employee trust funds board must first approve the request before the secretary submits the request to the joint committee on finance. Any request submitted under this subsection shall be submitted by the applicable due date for agency requests for any of the joint committee on finance's quarterly meetings under section 13.10 of the statutes and shall also include the methodology used by the secretary. Notwithstanding section 13.101 (3) of the statutes, the joint committee on finance is not required to find that an emergency exists prior to making the supplementation under this subsection.

(2q) SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR AUDIT OF DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY UNDER BENEFIT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYEE TRUST FUNDS. The joint committee on finance may supplement, from the appropriation under section 20.865 (4) (u) of the statutes, the appropriation under section 20.515 (1) (w) of the statutes for the purpose of conducting an audit of dependent eligibility under benefit programs administered by the department of employee trust funds if all of the following occur:

(a) The department of employee trust funds submits a report to the joint committee on finance on the results of any pilot survey relating to dependent eligibility and provides a detailed budget for a full audit of dependent eligibility under benefit programs administered by the department.

(b) The department of employee trust funds submits a request to the joint committee on finance to supplement the appropriation under section 20.515 (1) (w) of the statutes for the purpose of conducting an audit of dependent eligibility under benefit programs administered by the department.

(c) The cochairpersons of the joint committee on finance do not notify the department of employee trust funds that the committee has scheduled a meeting for the purpose of reviewing the request within 14 working days after the date of the receipt of the request. If, within 14 working days after the date of the receipt of the request, however, the cochairpersons of the committee notify the department of employee trust funds that the committee has scheduled a meeting for the purpose of reviewing the proposed supplement, the supplement may occur only upon approval of the committee.

(3q) MODIFICATIONS TO WISCONSIN RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

(a) The secretary of administration, the director of the office of state employment relations, and the secretary of employee trust funds shall study the structure of the Wisconsin Retirement System and benefits provided under the Wisconsin Retirement System. The study shall specifically address the following issues:

1. Establishing a defined contribution plan as an option for participating employees, as defined in section 40.02 (46) of the statutes.

2. Permitting employees to not make employee required contributions under section 40.05 (1) (a) of the statutes and limiting retirement benefits for employees who do not make employee required contributions to a money purchase annuity calculated under section 40.23 (3) of the statutes.

(b) No later than June 30, 2012, the secretary of administration, the director of the office of state employment relations, and the secretary of employee trust funds shall report their findings and recommendations to the governor and the joint committee on finance.

(4q) PROMULGATION OF EMERGENCY RULES FOR DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WISCONSIN RETIREMENT SYSTEM. The department of employee trust funds may use the procedure under section 227.24 of the statutes to promulgate rules under section 40.22 (2) (am) of the statutes, as created by this act. Notwithstanding section 227.24 (1) (c) and (2) of the statutes, emergency rules promulgated under this subsection remain in effect until July 1, 2012, or the date on which permanent rules take effect, whichever is sooner. Notwithstanding section 227.24 (1) (a) and (3) of the statutes, the department is not required to provide evidence that promulgating a rule under this subsection as an emergency rule is necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, or welfare and is not required to provide a finding of emergency for a rule promulgated under this subsection.

(6j) GROUP INSURANCE BOARD STUDY OF ASSISTED BIRTHS IN NONHOSPITAL SETTINGS. The group insurance board shall study the feasibility of including in the uniform benefits of state employee health insurance coverage the costs of certified nurse-midwife services to assist in births at home or at stand-alone birth centers.

SECTION 9118. Nonstatutory provisions; Government Accountability Board.

(1q) REVIEW OF PROPOSED EXPENDITURES FOR OUTREACH AND PUBLIC INFORMATION. No later than July 1, 2011, and before making any expenditures under section 7.08 (12) of the statutes or 2011 Wisconsin Act 23, section 144 (1), for the purpose of outreach or public information, the government accountability board shall transmit to the cochairpersons of the joint committee on finance in writing a plan identifying the specific proposed purposes for the expenditures and proposed amounts to be expended for each specific purpose. If the cochairpersons of the committee do not notify the board that the committee has scheduled a meeting for the purpose of reviewing the plan within 14 working days after the date of the board's submittal of the plan to the cochairpersons, the board may make the proposed expenditures identified in the plan. If, within 14 working days after the date of the board's submittal, the cochairpersons notify the board that the committee has scheduled a meeting for the purpose of reviewing the plan, the board shall not make any expenditures for the purpose of outreach or