

April 30, 2019

Honorable Members of Wisconsin's Joint Committee on Finance BudgetComments@legis.wisconsin.gov

Dear Senators and Representatives:

The Alliance for Regulatory Coordination applauds your attention to the state budget and, particularly, your efforts to balance fiscal realities with the needs of Wisconsin citizens.

We are happy to see that Governor Evers has recommended improving the regulation of industry, safety and buildings through the addition of 10 FTE positions in the Safety and Building Operations Appropriation, under section 20.165 (2) (j), Wisconsin Statutes.

We ask that you approve the Governor's proposal in this regard to ensure sufficient resources for the building and fire safety programs of the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

Wisconsin building owners, designers, contractors and trades people pay many fees for important services from the DSPS. Those customers look for equity between fees paid and services received. Timely DSPS services of licensing, plan review, inspection, consultation, and code development not only promote public safety and health; they also facilitate vital economic development throughout the state.

We ask that you pass a state budget that contains the additional 10 FTE positions in the Safety and Building Operations Appropriation, under section 20.165 (2) (j), Wisconsin Statutes.

Your consideration and efforts this regard will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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