#### Commuter Fringe Benefit Approval

**Item 10A: Group Insurance Board** 

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### **Action Needed**

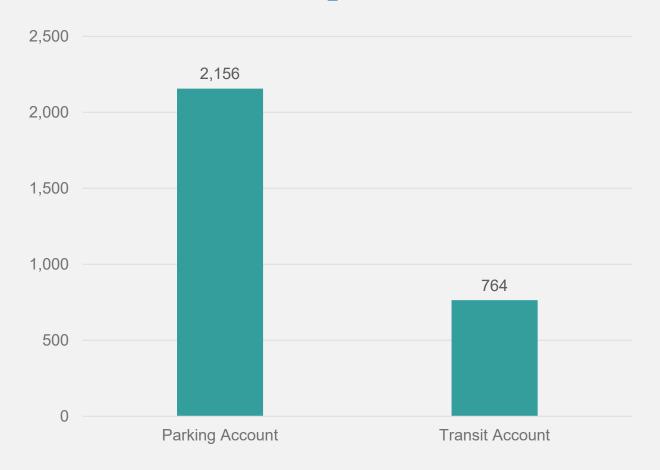
 The Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) requests the Group Insurance Board (Board) approve the Transit and Parking Plan Document, effective January 1, 2020.

#### Background

- Commuter Fringe Benefits Accounts authorized under Wis. Stat. §40.02(26g), Wis. Stat. §40.85 and Section 132 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC).
- Allowed State employees the ability to elect pre-tax deductions for qualified parking expenses and/or mass transit expenses since 2002.



#### 2019 Participant Enrollment



Total Participants:

2,920

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#### 2019 Program Contributions





#### **Participant Eligibility**

All State employees, including limited term employees, are eligible to participate.

To be an eligible participant, an employee must complete and submit a Salary Reduction Agreement.

The University of Wisconsin System and UW Hospital & Clinics employees are not eligible to participate.

## What is a Transit and Parking Plan Document?

- A Transit and Parking Plan Document is a plan established in accordance with the requirements prescribed by IRC Section 132.
- Plan Document constitutes the official Plan of the Commuter Fringe
  Benefit Accounts and serves as an employer guide to those participants
  under the transit account and parking account.

#### **Provisions of the Plan Document**

Administration

Eligibility

Participation

Termination

## Revision of Transit and Parking Plan Document

Amended and restated effective date

Changed thirdparty administrator name Article III
Section 3.07
substantiation of expense

Plan Information
Appendix II:
Eligibility

Plan Information Appendix VII: Substantiation Period

#### **Program Changes for 2020**

- Participants may contribute up to \$265 per month into a qualified transit account or parking account effective for the 2020 plan year.
  - Can only be reimbursed up to \$265 per month and cannot exceed the limited contribution per IRS regulation or written in the Plan Document.

#### **Payment Card Functionality**

### Parking Expenses

- Payment Card
- Mobile App
- On-line Portal

### Transit Expenses

- Manual claims
- Mobile App
- On-line Portal



#### Roles and Responsibilities

#### Group Insurance Board

#### **Employee Trust Funds**

#### ConnectYourCare

 The Board has oversight authority for the Commuter Fringe Benefit Accounts under Wis. Stats. §§ 40.85.  ETF will continue to work with CYC to oversee the maintenance of the plan documentation each year and provide updates to the Board on an annual basis. • CYC will administer the Commuter Fringe Benefit Accounts on behalf of the Board effective January 1, 2020.

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# Questions?

# Thank you











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