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TO: Members of the Assembly Committee on Colleges and Universities

FROM: UW System Office of Government Relations

RE: Written Testimony on Assembly Bill 49

Thank you, Chairman Murphy, and committee members, for providing the UW System (UWS) an opportunity to submit written testimony on Assembly Bill 49 (AB 49).

Currently in Wisconsin, under §346.50, individuals with a disabled parking registration can exceed time limits in parking stalls that have a limit of 30 minutes or higher, and they can park for free at metered spaces of municipally owned or leased lots. The bill would extend these privileges to all the UW System campuses. Many of our campuses already comply with the spirit of the law and allow extended time limits and waive payment for vehicles displaying proper registration plates or identification cards. This bill would impact a limited amount of parking stalls across our campuses, and many of our branch campuses must already comply with the law if parking is owned/leased by the municipality instead of the state.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide testimony on this legislation.