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TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE:

I am vetoing Senate Bill 21 in its entirety.

This bill would establish statutory limits for the value of personal property that may be possessed by persons in the care of the Department of Corrections.

I am vetoing this bill because I object to the Wisconsin State Legislature establishing limits on the value of personal property in state statute. Currently, these personal property value limits are set by the Department of Corrections through the administrative rules process. Codifying specific value limits for personal property in statute would make it more difficult to make adjustments in the future.

While I support increasing the personal property value limits, the administrative rules process provides more flexibility for the department to address any necessary changes in personal property limits when they arise. The Department of Corrections has begun the rulemaking process to update this rule and I look forward to working with the Legislature as this rule advances through the administrative rule process.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Evers Governor