

State of Wisconsin



2017 Assembly Bill 785

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2017 WISCONSIN ACT 254

AN ACT *to create* 49.175 (1) (uk) of the statutes; **relating to:** funding for child abuse and neglect prevention grants and making an appropriation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 49.175 (1) (uk) of the statutes is created to read:

49.175 (1) (uk) *Grants for prevention services.* For grants to counties, nonprofit organizations, or tribes to fund child abuse and neglect prevention services, \$500,000 in each fiscal year. The department shall award the grants with the purpose of encouraging innovative practices aimed at reducing the contact that families have with the child welfare system and preventing the removal of children from their homes. A grant recipient shall provide matching funds equal to 9.89 percent of the grant amount awarded. The department shall conduct an evaluation of the effectiveness of the grant program in achieving its stated goals and, by June 30, 2021, and each odd-

numbered year thereafter, shall submit a report on that evaluation to the appropriate standing committees under s. 13.172 (3).

SECTION 2m. Fiscal changes.

(1) GRANTS FOR CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION SERVICES. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of children and families under section 20.437 (2) (md) of the statutes, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2017–18 is increased by \$500,000 to fund the grant program under section 49.175 (1) (uk) of the statutes. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of children and families under section 20.437 (2) (md) of the statutes, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2018–19 is increased by \$500,000 to fund the grant program under section 49.175 (1) (uk) of the statutes.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication."