



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 808	Assembly Amendments 1 and 2
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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 808

Assembly Bill 808 requires the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) Board to award grants to students enrolled in technical colleges who have undertaken an apprenticeship program in conjunction with their course of instruction at the technical college. The grants may be awarded only to assist students in paying for materials expenses associated with the apprentice training program, including costs of purchasing tools, clothing, equipment and supplies. The bill requires the Board to establish an application process and criteria for awarding grants, which must consider the financial need and anticipated or actual expenses of the applicant. A grant may not exceed \$1,000 per student and the Board may not award grants totaling more than \$50,000 in any academic year. The bill provides an appropriation to the WTCS in the amount of \$50,000 general purpose revenue (GPR) in academic years 2017-18 and 2018-19.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 removes the term “apprentice training program” and instead uses the term “apprenticeship program” as defined under s. 106.001 (4), Stats. Under s. 106.001 (4), Stats., “apprenticeship program” generally means a program approved by the Department of Workforce Development for the employment and training of apprentices in a trade, craft, or business that includes a plan containing all of the terms and conditions for the qualification, recruitment, selection, employment, and training of apprentices as required under ch. 106, Stats.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2

Assembly Amendment 2 increases the appropriation to the WTCS from \$50,000 GPR in 2017-18 and 2018-19, to \$100,000 GPR in 2017-18 and 2018-19.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Bill 808 was introduced on December 28, 2017 by Representative Jacque and others. On January 25, 2018, Representatives Ballweg and Jacque offered Assembly Amendment 1. On January 26, 2018, Representative Murphy offered Assembly Amendment 2. On February 1, 2018, the Assembly Committee on Colleges and Universities recommended adoption of Assembly Amendments 1 and 2 and passage of Assembly Bill 808, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0.

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