



## 2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 237

April 13, 2017 - Introduced by Representatives RODRIGUEZ, PRONSCHINSKE, SNYDER, STEINEKE, BALLWEG, GENRICH, HORLACHER, JAGLER, KATSMA, KITCHENS, KRUG, MURSAU, NOVAK, PETRYK, RIPP, ROHRKASTE, SANFELIPPO, THIESFELDT, TITTL, TUSLER, VANDERMEER, SINICKI, E. BROOKS and KULP, cosponsored by Senators DARLING and OLSEN. Referred to Committee on Public Benefit Reform.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 16.313 and 20.505 (7) (ft) of the statutes; **relating to:** grants  
2             to municipalities to connect homeless individuals with permanent employment  
3             and making an appropriation.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

This bill creates a grant program under which the Department of Administration may award a grant of up to \$75,000 annually to a municipality for the purpose of connecting homeless individuals with permanent employment. A municipality receiving a grant under the program must itself contribute at least \$50,000 for the purpose of the grant. In awarding a grant under the bill, DOA must give preference to a municipality that obtains an agreement from a nonprofit organization to provide additional employment and support services to homeless individuals participating in the grant program.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

4             **SECTION 1.** 16.313 of the statutes is created to read:  
5             **16.313 Employment grants.** (1) In this section, “municipality” means a city,  
6             village, or town.

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1           **(2)** (a) Any municipality may apply for a grant under this section.

2           (b) Annually, the department may award a grant of up to \$75,000 to a  
3 municipality that submits an application under par. (a). The grant and all moneys  
4 contributed by the municipality under sub. (3) shall be used for the purpose of  
5 connecting homeless individuals with permanent employment.

6           **(3)** A municipality receiving a grant under sub. (2) shall itself contribute at  
7 least \$50,000 for the purpose specified in sub. (2) (b).

8           **(4)** In considering grant applications submitted under sub. (2) (a), the  
9 department shall give preference to a municipality that obtains an agreement from  
10 a nonprofit organization to provide additional employment and support services to  
11 homeless individuals participating in the grant program.

12           **SECTION 2.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
13 the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

**2017-18            2018-19**

14           **20.505 Administration, department of**

15           (7) HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

16           (ft)    Employment grants                            GPR      A           75,000           75,000

17           **SECTION 3.** 20.505 (7) (ft) of the statutes is created to read:

18           20.505 (7) (ft) *Employment grants.* The amounts in the schedule for grants to  
19 municipalities under s. 16.313.

20           **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

21           (1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after  
22 publication of the 2017 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

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(END)