



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Bollhorst, BB0268 - Graduate Medical Education Grants

FOR 2019-2021 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; **relating to:** the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HEALTH

1. Graduate medical training support grants

This bill combines, in a continuing appropriation, funding for grants DHS awards to assist rural hospitals and groups of rural hospitals in procuring infrastructure and increasing case volume to develop accredited graduate medical training programs with funding for grants DHS awards to hospitals to support existing graduate medical training programs. The bill also expands eligibility for both types of grants to all specialties. Under current law, in order to be eligible for a grant, a hospital has to have an existing graduate medical training program in certain prescribed specialty areas or a plan to develop a graduate medical training program in one or more of those specialties.

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

SECTION 1. 20.435 (1) (fj) of the statutes is repealed.

***NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 20.435 (4) (bf) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.435 (4) (bf) *Graduate medical training support grants.* As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule to award grants to rural hospitals under s. 146.63 and to support graduate medical training programs under s. 146.64.

SECTION 3. 146.63 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.63 (2) (a) Subject to subs. (4) and (5), the department shall distribute grants from the appropriation under s. 20.435 ~~(1) (fj)~~ (4) (bf) to assist rural hospitals and groups of rural hospitals in procuring infrastructure and increasing case volume to the extent necessary to develop accredited graduate medical training programs. The department shall distribute the grants under this paragraph to rural hospitals and groups of rural hospitals that apply to receive a grant under sub. (3) and that satisfy the criteria established by the department under par. (b) and the eligibility requirement under sub. (6).

SECTION 4. 146.63 (6) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.63 (6) **ELIGIBILITY.** (intro.) A rural hospital or group of rural hospitals may only receive a grant under sub. (3) if the plan to use the funds involves developing an accredited graduate medical training program in any of the following specialties a specialty, including any of the following:

SECTION 5. 146.64 (2) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

146.64 (2) (c) 1. The department shall distribute funds for grants under par. (a) from the appropriation under s. 20.435 (4) ~~(b)~~ (bf). The department may not distribute more than \$225,000 from the appropriation under s. 20.435 (4) ~~(b)~~ (bf) to a particular hospital in a given state fiscal year and may not distribute more than

\$75,000 from the appropriation under s. 20.435 (4) ~~(b)~~ (bf) to fund a given position in a graduate medical training program in a given state fiscal year.

SECTION 6. 146.64 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

146.64 (4) ELIGIBILITY. (intro.) A hospital that has an accredited graduate medical training program in ~~any of the following specialties~~ a specialty, including any of the following, may apply to receive a grant under sub. (3):

(END)