



State of Wisconsin
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Hynek, BB0324 - School Mental Health Categorical aid

FOR 2017-2019 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

EDUCATION

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

This bill requires DPI to make payments to school districts and independent charter schools that increased the amount the school district or independent charter school spent to employ, hire, or retain social workers over the amount spent by the school district or independent charter school to employ, hire, or retain social workers in the immediately preceding school year.

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

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

SECTION 1. 20.255 (2) (da) of the statutes is created to read:

20.255 (2) (da) *Aid for school mental health programs.* The amounts in the schedule for aid to school districts and independent charter schools under s. 115.364.

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

SECTION 2. 115.364 of the statutes is created to read:

115.364 Aid for school mental health programs. (1) In this section:

(a) “Eligible independent charter school” is a school under contract with one of the entities under s. 118.40 (2r) (b) 1. or with the director under s. 118.40 (2x) that increased the amount it expended in the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers over the amount it expended in the school year immediately preceding the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers.

(b) “Eligible school district” is a school district that increased the amount it expended in the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers over the amount it expended in the school year immediately preceding the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers.

(2) (a) Beginning in the 2018-19 school year and annually thereafter, the state superintendent shall do all of the following:

1. Subject to par. (b), from the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (da), pay to an eligible school district an amount equal to 50 percent of the amount by which the school district increased its expenditures in the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers over the amount it expended in the school year immediately preceding the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers.

2. Subject to par. (b), from the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (da), pay to an eligible independent charter school an amount equal to 50 percent of the amount by which the independent charter school increased its expenditures in the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers over the amount it expended in

the school year immediately preceding the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers.

(b) 1. If the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (da) in any fiscal year is insufficient to pay the full amount of aid under par. (a), the state superintendent shall prorate state aid payments among the school districts and independent charter schools eligible for the aid.

2. a. Subject to subd. 2. b., if, after making the payments required under par. (a), moneys remain in the appropriation account under s. 20.255 (2) (da), the state superintendent shall reimburse eligible school districts and independent charter schools for an amount equal to expenditures made by the school district or independent charter school in the preceding school year to employ, hire, or retain social workers less the amount of increased expenditures for which the school district or independent charter school was reimbursed under par. (a).

b. If the appropriation under s. 20.255 (2) (da) in any fiscal year is insufficient to pay the full amount of aid under subd. 2. a., the state superintendent shall prorate state aid payments among the school districts and independent charter schools eligible for the aid.

(3) The department shall promulgate rules to implement and administer this section.

SECTION 3. 119.04 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

119.04 **(1)** Subchapters IV, V and VII of ch. 115, ch. 121 and ss. 66.0235 (3) (c), 66.0603 (1m) to (3), 115.01 (1) and (2), 115.28, 115.31, 115.33, 115.34, 115.343, 115.345, 115.353, 115.363, 115.364, 115.365 (3), 115.38 (2), 115.415, 115.445, 118.001 to 118.04, 118.045, 118.06, 118.07, 118.075, 118.076, 118.10, 118.12, 118.125 to 118.14, 118.145 (4), 118.15, 118.153, 118.16, 118.162, 118.163, 118.164, 118.18,

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118.19, 118.196, 118.20, 118.223, 118.225, 118.24 (1), (2) (c) to (f), (6), ~~(8)~~, and (10), 118.245, 118.255, 118.258, 118.291, 118.292, 118.293, 118.30 to 118.43, 118.46, 118.50, 118.51, 118.52, 118.53, 118.55, 118.56, 120.12 (2m), (4m), (5), and (15) to (27), 120.125, 120.13 (1), (2) (b) to (g), (3), (7m), (14), (17) to (19), (26), (34), (35), (37), (37m), and (38), and (39), 120.137, 120.14, 120.20, 120.21 (3), and 120.25 are applicable to a 1st class city school district and board but not, unless explicitly provided in this chapter or in the terms of a contract, to the commissioner or to any school transferred to an opportunity schools and partnership program.

****NOTE: This is reconciled s. 119.04 (1). This SECTION has been affected by drafts with the following LRB numbers: 1422/P1, 1599/P2, 1663/P4, 1789/P2, 1794/P2, and 1818/P2.

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