



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Rice, BB0177 - W-2 lifetime limit

FOR 2019-2021 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

WISCONSIN WORKS

1. W-2 lifetime maximum

The Wisconsin Works (W-2) program under current law, which DCF administers, provides work experience and benefits for low-income custodial parents who are at least 18 years old. This bill increases the lifetime maximum for W-2 participation of an individual or any adult member of the individual's W-2 group from 48 months to 60 months. Under current law, a W-2 group includes any nonmarital coparent or any spouse of an individual who resides in the same household as the individual.

For further information see the *state* 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. 49.145 (2) (n) 1. (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

49.145 (2) (n) 1. (intro.) Except as provided in subd. 4., beginning on the date on which the individual has attained the age of 18, the total number of months in which the individual or any adult member of the individual's Wisconsin Works group has participated in, or has received benefits under, any of the following or any combination of the following does not exceed ~~48~~ 60 months, whether or not consecutive:

SECTION 2. 49.145 (2) (n) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

49.145 (2) (n) 1. a. The job opportunities and basic skills program under s. 49.193, 1997 stats. Active participation on or after October 1, 1996, in the job opportunities and basic skills program counts toward the ~~48~~ 60-month limit.

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