



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 319
[2005 Assembly Bill 262]

**Child Abuse and Neglect
Prevention Board**

2005 Wisconsin Act 319 makes various changes to the statutes relating to the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board, including the following:

- Increases the number of members on the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board (“the Board”) from 16 to 20 by adding the Secretary of Corrections, or his or her designee; the Secretary of Workforce Development, or his or her designee; and two additional public members.
- Requires the nonstock, nonprofit corporation created by the Board (the Celebrate Children Foundation) to establish and maintain a fund into which the corporation must deposit all gifts, grants, contributions, and bequests it accepts. In addition, the balance and interest from “Celebrate Children” license plate sales and all future license plate revenue is placed in this fund under the Act.
- Requires that, in accordance with the wishes of the donor and subject to the approval of the Board, contributions, grants, gifts, or bequests accepted by the corporation must be used to encourage donors to make contributions, grants, gifts, and bequests to the corporation; fund statewide projects, grant programs, or any other project that the Board contracts with the corporation to administer; pay for the actual and necessary operating costs of the corporation; or continue to accumulate indefinitely.
- Increases the number of members on the corporation’s board of directors from five to nine. The Act repeals the requirements under prior law that the corporation’s board of directors include a legislator and that no two members of the board of directors be from the same category of members of the Board.

This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.

- Eliminates references to “Right from the Start” grants, deletes obsolete provisions relating to grants administered by the Board, and makes modifications relating to grant program requirements.
- In addition to other duties under prior law, requires the Board to provide technical assistance to organizations and to provide child abuse and neglect prevention information on a statewide basis.
- Increases the amount of funding that may be allocated as grants to organizations in Milwaukee County from \$75,000 to not more than \$150,000 in each fiscal year.

Effective Date: Act 319 took effect on April 21, 2006.

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