



2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 351

September 25, 2015 - Introduced by Representatives VANDERMEER, PETRYK, BERCEAU, KITCHENS, BERNIER, BOWEN, THIESFELDT and OHNSTAD, cosponsored by Senators LASSA, BEWLEY, VINEHOUT and RINGHAND. Referred to Committee on Children and Families.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 767.55 (2) (am) 1m. of the statutes; **relating to:** residence of
2 noncustodial parent ordered to register for a work experience and job training
3 program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill modifies an eligibility criterion based on residence for the Children First program.

Under current law, in an action in which child support payments may be ordered, modified, or enforced, the court may order a noncustodial parent who is unemployed or underemployed to participate in a work experience and job training program known as Children First. If the noncustodial parent does not reside in the county in which the action is taking place, the court may not order him or her to participate unless he or she resides in a county that has a Children First program and that agrees to enroll the parent in the program. This bill provides that a court may order a noncustodial parent to participate in Children First if the parent resides in a county, or within a reasonable driving distance, as determined by the court, from a county, that has a Children First program and that agrees to enroll the parent in the program.

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:

