



State of Wisconsin
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2019 SENATE BILL 556

November 8, 2019 - Introduced by Senators TESTIN, BEWLEY, CARPENTER, NASS and SCHACHTNER, cosponsored by Representatives MURSAU, KRUG, CONSIDINE, ANDERSON, BOWEN, DITTRICH, KOLSTE, LOUDENBECK, MILROY, NOVAK, SHANKLAND, SPREITZER, SUBECK, THIESFELDT, TUSLER and VRUWINK. Referred to Committee on Labor and Regulatory Reform.

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 20.505 (4) (er); and *to create* 20.505 (4) (er)
2 1. and 2. of the statutes; **relating to:** funding for service award payments and
3 making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Administration administers a service award program, which provides monetary length-of-service awards to volunteer fire fighters, first responders, and volunteer emergency medical technicians. Under the program, DOA pays a state match of up to \$390 per service award per fiscal year based on amounts contributed by municipalities. The appropriation for the state match paid by DOA is currently capped at \$2,500,000 per fiscal year.

This bill increases that amount to \$2,805,700 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$2,900,000 in fiscal year 2020-21 and subsequent fiscal years.

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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 20.505 (4) (er) of the statutes is renumbered 20.505 (4) (er) (intro.)
5 and amended to read:

