



1995 SENATE BILL 150

April 19, 1995 - Introduced by Senators BRESKE, ANDREA, BURKE and MOEN, cosponsored by Representatives MUSSER, KRUSICK, ZIEGELBAUER, LORGE, BOCK, TURNER, RYBA, NOTESTEIN, BLACK, SPRINGER, PLOMBON, HASENOHRL, WILDER, HUBER, SERATTI, BOYLE and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Health, Human Services and Aging.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 20.435 (7) (dh); and **to create** 46.83 of the statutes; **relating**
2 **to:** requiring establishment and maintenance of a toll-free telephone number
3 to provide information on services for the elderly and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the department of health and social services to establish and maintain, from general purpose revenues, a toll-free telephone number to provide information and referral concerning county-administered or privately provided care and services that are available for individuals aged 60 or older.

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.** 20.435 (7) (dh) of the statutes is amended to read:
5 20.435 (7) (dh) *Programs for senior citizens and elder abuse services.* The
6 amounts in the schedule for the programs for senior citizens, including but not
7 limited to the purposes of ss. 46.80 (5) and 46.85, ~~and~~ for direct services for elder
8 persons and other individuals under s. 46.90 (5m) and for maintenance of a toll-free
9 telephone number under s. 46.83. Notwithstanding ss. 20.001 (3) (a) and 20.002 (1),
10 the department of health and social services may transfer funds between fiscal years

1 under this paragraph. All funds allocated under ss. 46.80 (5) and 46.85 but not
2 encumbered by December 31 of each year lapse to the general fund on the next
3 January 1, unless transferred to the next calendar year by the joint committee on
4 finance, but the department may carry forward funds allocated under s. 46.90 (5m)
5 that are not encumbered by June 30 of each year for allocation under s. 46.90 (5m)
6 in the following state fiscal year. For the purposes of this paragraph, funds are
7 encumbered by December 31 if allocated for services received or for goods ordered by
8 December 31.

9 **SECTION 2.** 46.83 of the statutes is created to read:

10 **46.83 Hotline services.** The department shall establish and maintain, in the
11 subunit of the department that is primarily concerned with services for older
12 individuals, as defined in s. 46.82 (1) (c), a toll-free telephone number to provide
13 information and referral concerning county-administered or privately provided care
14 and services that are available for older individuals.

15 **SECTION 3. Appropriation changes.**

16 (1) **HOTLINE SERVICES FOR OLDER INDIVIDUALS.** In the schedule under section
17 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of health and social
18 services under section 20.435 (7) (dh) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1995,
19 the dollar amount is increased by \$24,800 for fiscal year 1995-96 and the dollar
20 amount is increased by \$24,800 for fiscal year 1996-97 to increase the authorized
21 positions for the department by 1.0 GPR position on July 1, 1995, for the performance
22 of services related to the maintenance of a toll-free telephone number to provide
23 services to older individuals.

24 (END)