



State of Wisconsin  
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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## 2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 695

November 27, 2023 - Introduced by Representatives J. ANDERSON, HONG, MOORE OMOKUNDE, C. ANDERSON, CLANCY, JACOBSON, JOERS, MADISON, PALMERI, RATCLIFF, BALDEH, BARE, CABRERA, CONLEY, DRAKE, EMERSON, ORTIZ-VELEZ, SHELTON, SINICKI, SNODGRASS, STUBBS and SUBECK, cosponsored by Senators L. JOHNSON, ROYS, AGARD, CARPENTER, HESSELBEIN, SPREITZER and TAYLOR. Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 16.312 and 20.505 (7) (d) of the statutes; **relating to:** grants  
2             to provide legal services to tenants in eviction actions, granting rule-making  
3             authority, and making an appropriation.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill requires the Department of Administration to establish a grant program to provide funds to attorneys to provide legal services for low-income tenants in eviction actions or in actions in which the tenant alleges he or she was wrongfully evicted. Under the bill, the grant moneys may only be used to provide legal services to a tenant whose family has an income at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty line.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

4             **SECTION 1.** 16.312 of the statutes is created to read:  
5             **16.312 Grants to provide legal services for tenants in eviction actions.**  
6             **(1)** The department shall establish and administer a grant program to provide funds

