

1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 577

November 5, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives LASSA, RYBA, ALBERS, MUSSER, COGGS, RILEY, STASKUNAS, J. LEHMAN, PLOUFF, WAUKAU, HASENOHRL, PETROWSKI, BRANDEMUEHL, HAHN, MILLER, KELSO, KREIBICH and MEYERHOFER, cosponsored by Senators WELCH, SHIBILSKI, FARROW, ROESSLER, DARLING, ROSENZWEIG and RUDE. Referred to Committee on Labor and Employment.

- 1 **AN ACT to create** 106.01 (11) of the statutes; **relating to:** apprenticeship training
2 and making appropriations.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of workforce development (DWD) may determine reasonable apprenticeship classifications, promulgate rules, issue general or special orders, hold hearings, make findings and render orders as necessary to oversee the apprenticeship programs provided in this state.

This bill directs DWD to provide a trade masters pilot program to recognize advanced training and post-apprenticeship achievements in three trades, crafts or businesses, one of which must be in the industrial sector, one in the construction sector and one in the service sector of the economy. In addition, the bill provides funding for the provision of that program and for promotional materials directed at encouraging youth to participate in apprenticeship programs. Finally, the bill requires DWD to submit to the legislature, by July 1, 2003, an evaluation of the effectiveness of the trade masters pilot program in producing workers with advanced skills beyond the apprentice level.

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:

1 **SECTION 1.** 106.01 (11) of the statutes is created to read:

2 106.01 **(11)** The department shall provide a trade masters pilot program to
3 recognize advanced training and post-apprenticeship achievements in 3 trades,
4 crafts or businesses, one of which shall be in the industrial sector, one in the
5 construction sector and one in the service sector of the economy. By July 1, 2003, the
6 department shall submit to the legislature under s. 13.172 (2) an evaluation of the
7 effectiveness of the pilot program in producing workers with advanced skills beyond
8 the apprentice level.

9 **SECTION 2. Appropriation changes.**

10 (1) **TRADE MASTERS PILOT PROGRAM.** In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of
11 the statutes for the appropriation to the department of workforce development under
12 section 20.445 (1) (a) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1999, the dollar amount
13 is increased by \$175,000 for fiscal year 1999–00 to provide the trade masters pilot
14 program under section 106.01 (11) of the statutes, as created by this act.

15 (2) **APPRENTICESHIP PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS.** In the schedule under section
16 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of workforce
17 development under section 20.445 (1) (a) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of
18 1999, the dollar amount is increased by \$125,000 for fiscal year 1999–00 to provide
19 promotional materials directed at encouraging youth to participate in
20 apprenticeship programs.

21 **(END)**