1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 865

March 8, 2000 – Introduced by Representative Underheim. Referred to Committee on Education.

- AN ACT *to amend* 14.20 (title) and 20.525 (1) (f); and *to create* 14.20 (3m) and 20.525 (1) (e) of the statutes; **relating to:** grants for the establishment and operation of reading academies and making an appropriation.
 - Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill directs the governor to award grants to persons to establish and operate reading academies for the purpose of improving the ways in which elementary school teachers provide reading instruction. Grants must be awarded, on a competitive basis, to those programs that are based on the best information available about how children learn to read, except that at least one grant must be awarded annually to an applicant located in the territory of each cooperative educational service agency.

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:

- **SECTION 1.** 14.20 (title) of the statutes, as affected by 1999 Wisconsin Act 9, is amended to read:
- 6 14.20 (title) Literacy improvement aids: reading academies.

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SECTION 2. 14.20 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:	
14.20 (3m) From the appropriation under s. 20.525 (1) (e), the governor sl	nall
award grants to persons to establish and operate reading academies for the purp	ose
of improving the ways in which elementary school teachers provide read	ing
instruction. Grants shall be awarded on a competitive basis to those programs t	hat
are based on the best information available about how children learn to re	ead,
information that has been ascertained through sound research conducted accord	ling
to scientific principles. The governor shall ensure that at least one grant under	this
subsection is awarded annually to an applicant located in the territory of e	ach
cooperative educational service agency.	
SECTION 3. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, ins	sert
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