

2001 Senate Bill 279

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# 2001 WISCONSIN ACT 19

AN ACT *to amend* 13.14 (3), 13.20 (1), 20.923 (6) (h) and 230.08 (2) (f) of the statutes; **relating to:** elimination of legislative partisan caucus staffs.

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

**SECTION 1.** 13.14 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

13.14 (3) TRAVEL; LEGISLATIVE PERSONNEL. The actual and necessary expenses of legislative policy research personnel, assistants to legislators, and research staff assigned to legislative committees ~~and party caucuses~~ incident to attending meetings outside the capital shall be reimbursed from the appropriation under s. 20.765 (1) (a) or (b).

**SECTION 2.** 13.20 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

13.20 (1) NUMBER AND PAY RANGE OF LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES. The legislature or either house thereof may employ under the unclassified service such policy research personnel, assistants to legislators, and research staff assigned to legislative committees ~~and party caucuses~~ and such clerical, professional, and other assistants as in the judgment of the joint committee on legislative

organization or the committee on organization in each house are necessary to enable it to perform its functions and duties and to best serve the people of this state, except that the legislature or a house thereof may not employ a person for, or assign a person to, a party caucus.

**SECTION 3.** 20.923 (6) (h) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.923 (6) (h) Legislature: policy research personnel, assistants to legislators, research staff assigned to legislative committees ~~and party caucuses~~, and other persons employed under s. 13.20.

**SECTION 4.** 230.08 (2) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

230.08 (2) (f) All legislative officers and, in addition, policy research personnel, assistants to legislators, research staff assigned to legislative committees ~~and party caucuses~~, and other persons employed under s. 13.20.

**SECTION 5. Effective date.**

(1) This act takes effect on January 1, 2002, or on the day after publication, whichever is later.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 1999-00 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].