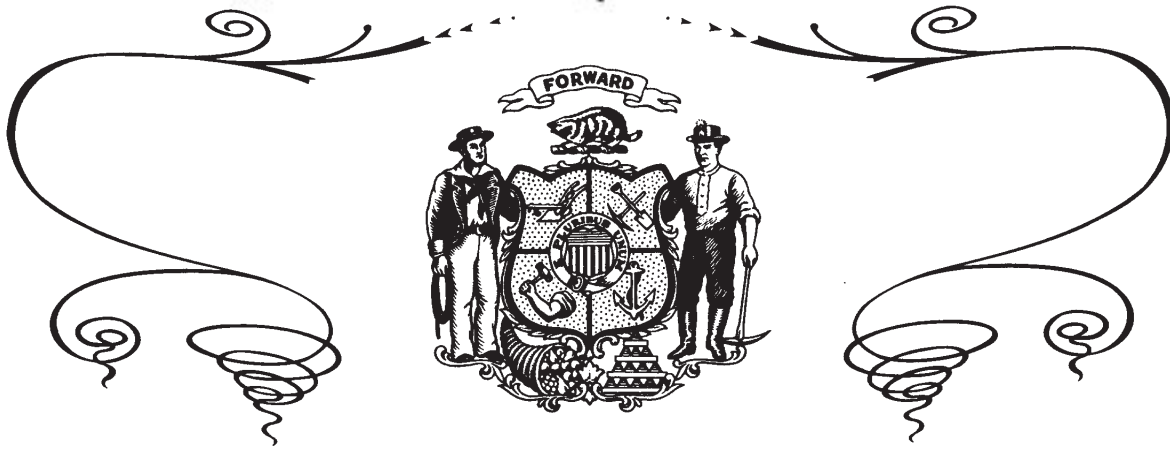


State of Wisconsin



2003 Senate Resolution 4

ENGROSSED RESOLUTION

Relating to: supporting the reauthorization of the existing Community Services Block Grant and its funding to community action agencies.

Whereas, Wisconsin's 16 community action agencies have been working in our communities to improve the lives and well-being of all of our citizens for over 35 years; and

Whereas, our community action agencies have delivered a comprehensive array of opportunities to assist those citizens who reside at the lowest levels of the economic ladder to advance economically and socially; and

Whereas, our community action agencies have developed innovative and effective strategies to promote affordable housing and homeownership, microenterprise development, youth development, crime prevention, access to food and nutrition, Head Start expansion, community-based economic development, housing rehabilitation, and other initiatives to promote the development of our human potential; and

Whereas, in 2001 our community action agencies assisted over 380,000 of our citizens and provided volunteers who contributed more than 600,000 hours of service to our communities; and

Whereas, in 2001 our 16 community action agencies received \$7,000,000 of Community Service Block Grant funds and used these funds to leverage more than \$135,000,000 of additional funds, including \$25,000,000 of private funds with which to benefit Wisconsin's communities; and

Whereas, the federal Community Services Block Grant provides the core funding for our community action agencies and is scheduled for reauthorization in the upcoming session of Congress; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, That the Wisconsin state senate urges President George W. Bush and the Wisconsin congressional delegation to support the reauthorization of the existing Community Services Block Grant and its funding to community action agencies; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution to President George W. Bush, to the president and secretary of the U.S. senate, to the speaker and clerk of the U.S. house of representatives, and to each member of the congressional delegation from this state, attesting the adoption of this resolution by the 2003 senate of the state of Wisconsin.

State Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin

Senator Alan J. Lasee
President of the Senate

Date

Donald J. Schneider
Senate Chief Clerk