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2015 SENATE BILL 247

September 3, 2015 – Introduced by Senators Lassa, Bewley, Vinehout and Ringhand, cosponsored by Representatives VanderMeer, Berceau, Kitchens, Bernier, Bowen, Thiesfeldt and Ohnstad. Referred to Committee on Workforce Development, Public Works, and Military Affairs.

AN ACT to amend 767.55 (2) (am) 1m. of the statutes; relating to: residence of noncustodial parent ordered to register for a work experience and job training program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill modifies an eligibility criterion based on residence for the Children First program.

Under current law, in an action in which child support payments may be ordered, modified, or enforced, the court may order a noncustodial parent who is unemployed or underemployed to participate in a work experience and job training program known as Children First. If the noncustodial parent does not reside in the county in which the action is taking place, the court may not order him or her to participate unless he or she resides in a county that has a Children First program and that agrees to enroll the parent in the program. This bill provides that a court may order a noncustodial parent to participate in Children First if the parent resides in a county, or within a reasonable driving distance, as determined by the court, from a county, that has a Children First program and that agrees to enroll the parent in the program.

For further information see the *state and local* 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:

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SECTION 1. 767.55 (2) (am) 1m. of the statutes is amended to read:
767.55 (2) (am) 1m. If the parent resides in a county other than the county in
which the court action or proceeding takes place, the The parent resides in a county
with, or resides within a reasonable driving distance, as determined by the court,
from a county, that has a work experience and job training program under s. 49.36
and that county agrees to enroll the parent in the program.

7 (END)