



2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 742

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 20.445 (1) (b) and 106.27 (3); and *to create* 106.27 (1r) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** requiring the Department of Workforce Development to
3 provide student internship coordination and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 20.445 (1) (b) of the statutes, as affected by 2015 Wisconsin Act 55,
5 is amended to read:

6 20.445 (1) (b) *Workforce training program; grants and services.* As a continuing
7 appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for workforce training grants and
8 services under s. 106.27 (1) and, (1g), and (1r) and for career and technical education
9 incentive grants under s. 106.273.

10 **SECTION 2.** 106.27 (1r) of the statutes is created to read:

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1 106.27 (1r) STUDENT INTERNSHIP COORDINATION. From the appropriation under
2 s. 20.445 (1) (b), the department shall provide coordination between institutions of
3 higher education, as defined in 20 USC 1001 (a) and (b), and employers to increase
4 the number of students who are placed with employers for internships.

5 **SECTION 3.** 106.27 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 106.27 (3) ANNUAL REPORT. Annually, by December 31, the department shall
7 submit a report to the governor and the cochairpersons of the joint committee on
8 finance providing an account of the department's activities and expenditures under
9 this section during the preceding fiscal year. The report shall include information
10 on the number of unemployed and underemployed workers and incumbent
11 employees who participate in training programs under sub. (1); the number of
12 unemployed workers who obtain gainful employment, underemployed workers who
13 obtain new employment, and incumbent employees who receive increased
14 compensation after participating in such a training program; and the wages earned
15 by those workers and employees both before and after participating in such a
16 training program. The report shall also include information on the extent to which
17 waiting lists for enrollment in courses and programs provided by technical colleges
18 in high-demand fields are reduced as a result of grants under sub. (1g) (a), on the
19 number of high school pupils who participate in certification programs under sub.
20 (1g) (b), and on the number of persons with disabilities who participate in
21 employment enhancement activities under sub. (1g) (c). In addition, the report shall
22 provide information on the number of student interns who are placed with employers
23 as a result of the coordination activities conducted under sub. (1r).

24 **SECTION 4. Fiscal changes.**

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1 (1g) APPROPRIATION DECREASE. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the
2 statutes for the appropriation to the department of workforce development under
3 section 20.445 (1) (b) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2015, the dollar amount
4 is decreased by \$200,000 for the second fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this
5 subsection takes effect.

6 (1m) STUDENT INTERNSHIP COORDINATORS. In the schedule under section 20.005
7 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of workforce development
8 under section 20.445 (1) (bm) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2015, the dollar
9 amount for fiscal year 2016–17 is increased by \$200,000 to increase the authorized
10 FTE positions for that department by 2.0 GPR positions for the purpose of providing
11 coordination between institutions of higher education and employers to increase the
12 number of students who are placed with employers for internships.

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