AN ACT to repeal 301.068 (3m); and to create 301.068 (3m) of the statutes; relating to: grants for community services to reduce recidivism and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Corrections to award grants to local workforce development boards to provide community services to reduce recidivism and to improve opportunities for offenders to successfully complete their terms of probation, parole, and extended supervision. This bill increases the appropriation by $500,000 per fiscal year in the 2015–17 fiscal biennium and sunsets the grant program on June 30, 2018.

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:

SECTION 1. 301.068 (3m) of the statutes is created to read:

301.068 (3m) From the appropriation under s. 20.410 (1) (ds), the department shall award grants to local workforce development boards established under 29 USC...
2832 to provide services under this section. The department shall establish a competitive process to award the grants and shall establish criteria and selection processes.

SECTION 2. 301.068 (3m) of the statutes, as created by 2015 Wisconsin Act .... (this act), is repealed.


(1) The dollar amount increases under SECTION 4 (1) of this act may not result in a reallocation of funding under section 301.068 of the statutes. The department of corrections shall maintain the spending percentages allocated per program as are in effect on the effective date of this subsection.

SECTION 4. Fiscal changes.

(1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of corrections under section 20.410 (1) (ds) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2015, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2015−16 is increased by $500,000 to fund grants under section 301.068 of the statutes. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of corrections under section 20.410 (1) (ds) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2015, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2016−17 is increased by $500,000 to fund grants under section 301.068 of the statutes.

SECTION 5. Effective dates. This act takes effect on the day after publication, except as follows:

(1) The repeal of section 301.068 (3m) of the statutes takes effect on June 30, 2018.