

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 238

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1

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## 2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 238

As a one-time authorization, 2017 Assembly Bill 238 authorizes development of a pilot program under the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program. The program is commonly referred to as the "Section 8 Voucher Program."

The bill allows the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA) to develop a pilot program to require an able-bodied adult recipient of a voucher to satisfy employment, training, and self-sufficiency requirements. The services may be offered by WHEDA or may be coordinated with other agencies. WHEDA is also authorized to seek approval of the pilot program from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, if necessary.

## ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 maintains all aspects of the pilot program, but moves the authorization into a standing statutory provision.

## **BILL HISTORY**

Representative Katsma offered Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to the bill on April 17, 2017. On April 20, 2017, the Assembly Committee on Public Benefit Reform recommended adoption of the substitute amendment, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 3.

On May 10, 2017, the Assembly adopted Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 on a voice vote, and passed the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 61; Noes, 35.

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