2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 1061

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AN ACT to create 13.083 and 16.02 of the statutes; relating to: policies and reports concerning workloads of the governor, full-time executive branch appointees of the governor, and legislators and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires that each house of the legislature implement a plan that includes policies for monitoring the workloads of legislators, including requirements for each legislator to report the number of hours spent working in his or her official capacity to the chief clerk of his or her house and requires the Department of Administration to implement a similar plan with similar reporting requirements for the governor and full-time appointees of the governor in the executive branch. Under the bill, DOA must include aggregate data on the work hours reported by all of those elected and appointed officials in an annual accountability report published online. Additionally, DOA must make accessible online the work hours reported by all of those elected and appointed officials.

For further information see the state 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. 13.083 of the statutes is created to read:
13.083 Workload policy and reporting requirements. (1) Each house of
the legislature shall develop and implement a plan that includes policies for
monitoring the workloads of legislators, including requirements for each legislator
to report on a continuing basis the number of hours spent working in his or her
official capacity to the chief clerk of his or her house.

(2) Each house of the legislature shall revise its other employment policies and
practices as necessary to ensure that those policies and practices are consistent with
the plan required under sub. (1).

(3) The chief clerk of each house of the legislature shall submit the work hours
reported by legislators under sub. (1) to the department of administration for
publication under s. 16.02 (3).

SECTION 2. 16.02 of the statutes is created to read:

16.02 Workload policy and reporting requirements. (1) The department
shall develop and implement a plan that includes policies for monitoring the
workloads of the governor and appointees of the governor in the executive branch of
state government who are salaried full-time employees of this state, including
requirements for the governor and each such appointee to report on a continuing
basis the number of hours spent working in his or her official capacity to the
department.

(2) The department shall revise its other employment policies and practices as
necessary to ensure that those policies and practices are consistent with the plan
required under sub. (1).

(3) The department shall include aggregate data on work hours reported under
sub. (1) and s. 13.083 (3) in an annual accountability report and shall publish the
report on the Internet site the department maintains under s. 16.413 (3) (a). The
department shall make accessible via links on that Internet site the work hours reported by the governor, each appointee of the governor, and each legislator.

**SECTION 3. Fiscal changes.**

(1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of administration under section 20.505 (1) (a) of the statutes, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2017-18 is increased by $5,000 to carry out the department’s duties under section 16.02 of the statutes. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of administration under section 20.505 (1) (a) of the statutes, the dollar amount for fiscal year 2018-19 is increased by $5,000 to carry out the department’s duties under section 16.02 of the statutes.