February 17, 2017 - Introduced by Committee on Assembly Organization, Representatives Nygren, Ripp, Quinn, Novak, VanderMeer, Petryk, E. Brooks, Bernier, Spiros, Loudenbeck, Brostoff, Murphy, Ballweg, Fields, Kulp, Felzkowski, Skowronska, Steffen, Swearingen, Kleefisch, Mursau, Tittel, Rohrkasten, Billings, Zepnick, Sinicki, Doyle, Krug, Petersen, Rodriguez, Born, Spreitzer and Zamarrera, cosponsored by Senators Petrowski, Harsdorf, Darling, Vukmir, Olsen, Testin, Wanggaard, Cowles, Wirch, Carpenter and Lasee, by request of Governor Scott Walker. Referred to Committee on Education.

AN ACT to create 20.255 (1) (ep) and 115.28 (63) of the statutes; relating to:

mental health training program and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Public Instruction to provide trainings on the screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment program, an evidence-based strategy related to addressing mental health issues in schools, to school district personnel and independent charter school personnel.

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. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert

the following amounts for the purposes indicated:
20.255 Public instruction, department of

(1) Educational Leadership

(1) (ep) Mental health training program GPR A -0- -0-

SECTION 2. 20.255 (1) (ep) of the statutes is created to read:

20.255 (1) (ep) Mental health training program. The amounts in the schedule for the mental health training program under s. 115.28 (63).

SECTION 3. 115.28 (63) of the statutes is created to read:

115.28 (63) Mental health training program. Establish a mental health training support program under which the department provides training on the screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment program, an evidence-based strategy related to addressing mental health issues in schools, to school district staff and instructional staff of charter schools under s. 118.40 (2r) or (2x).

SECTION 4. Fiscal changes.

(1) Mental health training program. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of public instruction under section 20.255 (1) (ep) of the statutes the dollar amount for fiscal year 2017-18 is increased by $100,000 to increase funding for the purpose for which the appropriation is made. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of public instruction under section 20.255 (1) (ep) of the statutes the dollar amount for fiscal year 2018-19 is increased by $100,000 to increase funding for the purpose for which the appropriation is made.

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