2017 SENATE BILL 204

April 20, 2017 – Introduced by Senators DARLING, OLSEN and L. TAYLOR, cosponsored by Representatives PRONCHINSKE, RODRIGUEZ, SNYDER, STEINEKE, BALLWEG, BERNIER, E. BROOKS, EDMING, GANNON, JAGLER, KATSKA, KITCHENS, KRUG, KULP, LOUDENBECK, MURSAU, NOVAK, PETRYK, RIPP, ROHRKASTE, SANFELIPPO, THIESFELDT, TITTL, TUSLER and VANDERMEER. Referred to Committee on Workforce Development, Military Affairs and Senior Issues.

AN ACT relating to: waiting lists for housing choice vouchers.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill authorizes the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority to develop policies and procedures for and implement a two-year pilot program that gives priority to chronically homeless individuals and families on the waiting list WHEDA or a public housing agency that contracts with WHEDA maintains under the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program. The bill also authorizes WHEDA to provide case management services for chronically homeless individuals and families who receive a voucher after being prioritized on the waiting list.

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. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) PILOT PROGRAM FOR CHRONICALLY HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES. The Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority may develop policies and procedures for and implement a 2-year pilot program that gives priority to
chronically homeless individuals and families on the waiting list that the authority, or a public housing agency that contracts with the authority, maintains for vouchers under the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program. The authority may provide case management services to each chronically homeless individual or family who receives a voucher after being prioritized on the waiting list.

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