2017 SENATE BILL 206

April 20, 2017 – Introduced by Senators DARLING and OLSEN, cosponsored by Representatives RODRIGUEZ, PRONSCINSKE, SNYDER, STEINEKE, BALLWEG, GENRICH, E. BROOKS, HORLACHER, JAGLER, KATSMA, KITCHENS, KRUG, MURSAU, NOVAK, PETRYK, RIPP, ROHRKASTE, SANEILIPPO, SINICKI, TIESFELDT, TITTL, TUSLER and VANDERMEER. Referred to Committee on Workforce Development, Military Affairs and Senior Issues.

AN ACT to create 16.313 and 20.505 (7) (ft) of the statutes; relating to: grants to municipalities to connect homeless individuals with permanent employment and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill creates a grant program under which the Department of Administration may award a grant of up to $75,000 annually to a municipality for the purpose of connecting homeless individuals with permanent employment. A municipality receiving a grant under the program must itself contribute at least $50,000 for the purpose of the grant. In awarding a grant under the bill, DOA must give preference to a municipality that obtains an agreement from a nonprofit organization to provide additional employment and support services to homeless individuals participating in the grant program.

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. 16.313 of the statutes is created to read:

16.313 Employment grants. (1) In this section, “municipality” means a city, village, or town.
(2) (a) Any municipality may apply for a grant under this section.

(b) Annually, the department may award a grant of up to $75,000 to a municipality that submits an application under par. (a). The grant and all moneys contributed by the municipality under sub. (3) shall be used for the purpose of connecting homeless individuals with permanent employment.

(3) A municipality receiving a grant under sub. (2) shall itself contribute at least $50,000 for the purpose specified in sub. (2) (b).

(4) In considering grant applications submitted under sub. (2) (a), the department shall give preference to a municipality that obtains an agreement from a nonprofit organization to provide additional employment and support services to homeless individuals participating in the grant program.

SECTION 2. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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SECTION 3. 20.505 (7) (ft) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (7) (ft) Employment grants. The amounts in the schedule for grants to municipalities under s. 16.313.

SECTION 4. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after publication of the 2017 biennial budget act, whichever is later.