March 31, 2021 – Introduced by Senators BALLWEG, CARPENTER, DARLING, FEYEN, RINGHAND and SMITH, cosponsored by Representatives VANDERMEER, OLDENBURG, DOYLE, ARMSTRONG, BOWEN, CABRAL-GUEVARA, CABRERA, EDMING, GUNDREM, JAMES, B. MEYERS, MURSAU, NOVAK, PETRYK, PLUMER, ROZAR, SCHRAA, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, SKOWRONSKI, SPIROS, SPREITZER, STEFFEN, SURECK, TRANEL, WITTKE and ZIMMERMAN. Referred to Committee on Human Services, Children and Families.

AN ACT to create 20.435 (5) (ef) and 51.72 of the statutes; relating to: grants for suicide prevention programming and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the Department of Health Services to award grants to organizations or coalitions of organizations, including cities, villages, towns, counties, and American Indian tribes for suicide prevention programming. A grant recipient must contribute matching funds or in-kind services having a value equal to at least 20 percent of the grant amount.

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:
20.435 Health services, department of

(5) Mental health and substance abuse services

Suicide prevention programming

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SECTION 2. 20.435 (5) (ef) of the statutes is created to read:

20.435 (5) (ef) Suicide prevention programming grants. Biennially, the amounts in the schedule for suicide prevention programming grants under s. 51.72.

SECTION 3. 51.72 of the statutes is created to read:

51.72 Suicide prevention programming grants. (1) From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (5) (ef), the department shall award grants to organizations or coalitions of organizations, which may include a city, village, town, county, or federally recognized American Indian tribe or band in this state, for suicide prevention programming.

(2) The department may not award a grant under sub. (1) unless the recipient contributes matching funds or in-kind services having a value equal to at least 20 percent of the grant.

(3) The department may award a grant to a recipient under sub. (1) for an amount up to $25,000 in a particular fiscal year.

(END)