

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 6

WHEREAS, the social and economic well-being of Wisconsin requires that its citizens have adequate employment opportunities; and

WHEREAS, many of our citizens encounter great difficulty in finding employment for various reasons including inadequate education or vocational training, inability to take advantage of traditional education and training programs, lack of work experience, lack of employment opportunities in their area of residence or in their occupation, national or regional economic distress, physical or mental handicaps, language difficulties, and artificial barriers such as discrimination based on age, race or sex, or unrealistic job requirements; and

WHEREAS, a wide variety of programs have been developed involving local, state and federal agencies, as well as private organizations, to assist such citizens in obtaining the training, work experience, employment opportunities and supportive services they require; and

WHEREAS, it is generally recognized that such programs, in order to be of maximum effectiveness to the target populations as well as to the taxpayers who finance them, must be carefully planned, administered, coordinated and evaluated on a comprehensive basis; and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has enacted and the President of the United States has signed legislation entitled, "The Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973", specifically authorizing Governors and certain local officials to develop comprehensive plans for manpower services in their respective political jurisdictions, and appropriating significant amounts of public funds for this purpose,

NOW, THEREFORE, I PATRICK J. LUCEY, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby establish the following non-statutory committee under Section 14.019 of the Wisconsin Statutes:

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THE STATE MANPOWER COUNCIL

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which will be responsible for developing on a regular basis a comprehensive plan for manpower training and employment services which will enable Wisconsin citizens to achieve their maximum feasible employment opportunities.

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This State Manpower Council shall be an inter-agency, inter-governmental advisory council which shall develop a State manpower policy and make recommendations to the Governor for the implementation of that policy.

The State Manpower Council shall maintain an inventory of and systematically review and make recommendations to the Governor in regard to all programs in the State that provide assistance to citizens in obtaining employment, including programs which provide vocational training, vocational rehabilitation, on the job training, work experience, job development, job placement, public service employment, and related services, and special programs to encourage

business and economic development among minority and low income groups. Such recommendations shall emphasize ways of improving the coordination and effectiveness of such programs.

The State Manpower Council shall assume all responsibilities conferred upon the "State Manpower Services Council" under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act, in addition to such responsibilities given to it by the Governor.

The Council shall be made-up of approximately equal membership representing (a) state agencies with responsibilities for manpower training and development and for employment; (b) representatives of the general public, and (c) representatives of local units of government, particularly those designated by the United States Secretary of Labor to be "prime sponsors" of manpower training and employment programs under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. All members shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Governor shall designate a chairman of the Council and a director of the Council's professional staff.

In order to facilitate the work of the Council in developing and refining policy recommendations to the Governor, relating to the Council's responsibility for coordinating and evaluating manpower training and employment programs, the Governor shall appoint a special Policy Committee of the Council. The Policy Committee shall include representation from the various groups represented on the Council, and shall present policy recommendations to the Council from time to time.

The State Manpower Council will meet on a quarterly basis or at the call of the Chairman, as appropriate. The Council is specifically charged with the responsibility for:

1. Establishing statewide manpower objectives, priorities and policies;
2. Determining organizational responsibilities and performance standards in the implementation of manpower programs;
3. Developing, on an annual basis, comprehensive state manpower plans which are based upon and responsive to the needs of the entire State. Such plans will include both recommendations for annual manpower program funding and forecasts of long-range manpower development needs and activities;
4. Assessing, on a regular basis, the effectiveness of the various manpower programs operating in the State and recommending changes there as appropriate; and
5. Recommending to and assisting the Governor in seeking appropriate manpower legislation.

In order to obtain broad-based participation in the comprehensive manpower planning process by citizens, local units of government, business, industry, and representatives of key target population groups, the Council shall establish and make use of a network of Area Manpower Planning Boards, and shall delegate to these boards such responsibilities as the Council considers desirable.

The Area Manpower Planning Boards shall have major responsibility for the development of manpower plans for their area. Such plans will be based upon the area-by-area assessments of need, identification of resources, determination of priorities and requests for services. Area Boards will be responsible for on-going review of manpower activities in their areas and for appropriate reports and recommendations to the Council.

In order to carry-out the provisions of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, the following counties are hereby designated as agencies for the purpose of entering into agreements with other counties or municipalities to qualify as Prime Sponsors: Dane, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Outagamie, Racine, Rock, Waukesha, and Winnebago. Where consortia agreements are negotiated between these counties and adjoining counties or municipalities, subject to the provisions of the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act, those counties are also designated as eligible to participate in the operation of manpower programs.

This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order No. 25 issued on July 1, 1971.

Nothing contained in this Executive Order shall diminish the rights and responsibilities of Prime Sponsors of manpower programs under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. Also, nothing contained herein shall supersede state or federal legislation governing the operation of existing manpower training and employment programs.

In order to assure maximum effectiveness of this Order, I am hereby directing the State Manpower Council staff to immediately prepare procedural recommendations for the full implementation of provisions herein.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison, this 1st day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventy-five.



PATRICK J. LUCEY
Governor



By the



DOUGLAS LaFOLLETTE
Secretary of State