

EXECUTIVE ORDER #6

WHEREAS, the social and economic well-being of Wisconsin requires that its citizens be adequately prepared for full productive employment; and

WHEREAS, effective employment and job training programs are essential elements of Wisconsin's economic development policy; and

WHEREAS, federal government policy has clearly emphasized the role and responsibility of states in designing and administering employment and job training programs; and

WHEREAS, consistent employment and training policy direction and management should allocate resources according to priorities, minimize redundancy among programs and encourage appropriate specialization and coordination among programs; and

WHEREAS, the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 specifically provides that the state's chief elected officer, the Governor, shall have the responsibility for developing a policy framework within which Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) resources will be used and for the administrative and fiscal oversight of JTPA funds; and

WHEREAS, this Act gives the Governor new opportunities for coordinating job training with other state-based service delivery systems, thereby allowing the state to coordinate the varied activities which now comprise a loosely-connected system of worker preparation into a more coherent strategy for enhancing the well-being of the state and the job opportunities of Wisconsin citizens including the significant and hard-pressed structurally unemployed as well as long-term unemployed and dislocated workers;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the virtue of the authority vested in me by Sections 14.019 and 16.54 of the Wisconsin Statutes, do hereby:

- 1. Establish a State Job Training Coordinating Council and assign the Department of Industry, labor and Human Relations to execute the responsibilities required by the Job Training Partnership Act and this Executive Order.
- Duties and responsibilities of the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations:
 - With the approval and under the direction of the Secretary, the Division of Employment and Training Policy in the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations is given the responsibility to carry out all those statewide planning and services responsibilities designated to the Governor under the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 and the amendments of 1986. The Division is also given the responsibility to provide staff support, as well as reimbursement for necessary travel and other expenses, as appropriate, to the advisory State Job Training Coordinating Council to enable that body to carry out all of its responsibilities as outlined in this Executive Order.

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- b. The Administrator of the Division of Employment and Training Policy and other staff authorized by the Administrator will have signatory authority to bind the State of Wisconsin to provide service under grants, contracts, modifications and vouchers required under the employment and training programs administered by the Division. The powers, duties, records, personnel and the contractual obligations related to those programs will be the responsibility of the Division Administrator or other authorized representatives as designated by the Division Administrator.
- c. The Division will be responsible for:
 - Developing, on a biennial basis and consistent with the Job Training Partnership Act, the Governor's Coordination and Special Services Plan.
 - Providing staff services to the State Job Training Coordinating Council.
 - Establishing a statewide employment and training mission, goals, objectives, policies and priorities.
 - 4. Establishing state criteria for coordination activities which, with other plan approval criteria specified in the Act, shall serve as the basis for approval or disapproval of local service delivery area plans submitted under the Job Training Partnership Act.
 - Preparing variations in the Secretary of the Department of Labor's performance standards to determine incentive funding for local programs that exceed such standards.
 - 6. Designing and implementing statewide system management functions which include: state and local planning, program monitoring, evaluating performance, auditing and fund accounting, and developing and maintaining a statewide management information system.
 - Developing and administering the statewide dislocated worker program.
 - 8. Providing for the statewide coordination of Job Training Partnership Act programs with the state's education agencies including elementary, secondary, vocational and higher education. This will be accomplished in part through administration of the "State Education Coordinating and Grants" Section of the JTPA.
 - Overseeing and managing a statewide comprehensive labor market and occupational supply and demand information system and providing staff services to the state occupational information coordinating committee.
 - 10. Providing local service delivery areas with available information on economic, industrial and labor market conditions.
 - 11. Facilitating the active participation of private sector employers in the planning and implementation of job training and placement programs funded by the Job Training Partnership Act.



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- 12. Providing technical assistance through pre-service and in-service training for planning, management and delivery staffs of administrative entities and private industry councils, as well as contractors for state supported programs.
- 13. Carrying out other activities as appropriate pursuant to Section 121(c) of JTPA.
- 14. Performing those other duties and responsibilities which may be deemed appropriate by the Governor or his designee, the Secretary.
- Organization, duties and responsibilities of the State Job Training Coordinating Council:
 - a. The State Job Training Coordinating Council is a statewide advisory council composed according to the Job Training Partnership Act of 1982 as follows:
 - 1. One-third of the membership shall be representatives of business and industry (including agriculture, where appropriate) in the state, including individuals who are representatives of business and industry on private industry councils in the state.
 - 2. Not less than 10 percent shall be representatives of the State Legislature and state agencies where the Governor determines to have a direct interest in employment and training and human resource utilization within the state.
 - Not less than 20 percent shall be representatives of the units or consortia of units of general local government which shall be nominated by the chief executive officers of the units or consortia of units of general local government.
 - 4. Not less than 20 percent shall be representatives of the eligible population and of the general public, representatives of organized labor, representatives of community-based organizations, and representatives of local educational agencies (nominated by local educational agencies).

All members will be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor will designate a business representative as Chairperson of the Council. The State Job Training Coordinating Council shall meet at the call of the Chairperson or the Secretary of the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations or his designee.

- b. The State Job Training Coordinating Council is an advisory body only and does not relieve the state of its final decision-making responsibilities under the Job Training Partnership Act.
- c. The Chairperson of the Council, with the approval of the Secretary of the Department of Industry, Labor and Iluman Relations shall establish such committee structures as may be necessary to efficiently and effectively carry out and facilitate the responsibilities of the State Job Training Coordinating Council. Committee chairpersons will be appointed by the Chair of the Council with the approval of the Secretary of the Department of Industry, Labor and Iluman Relations.



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- d. The Chairperson of the State Job Training Coordinating Council, upon consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations or his designee, may establish ad hoc or working sub-committees and task forces to assist the Job Training Coordinating Council, or its committees, in carrying out their respective responsibilities, drawing from interested groups and agencies which are not represented on the State Job Training Coordinating Council.
- e. The Council is specifically charged with the responsibility for:
 - 1. Recommending service delivery areas to the Governor.
 - Recommending a statewide coordination and special services plan which includes program coordination criteria that must be followed by local service delivery areas.
 - 3. Reviewing service delivery area plans and determining their consistency with state program coordination criteria.
 - 4. Reviewing the plans of all state agencies providing employment and training services to ensure more effective coordination strategies including the Wager-Peyser and Perkins Vocational Education Act plans.
 - 5. Identifying the employment and training and vocational education needs throughout the state, assessing the extent to which those needs are being met by all available programs, and advising the Governor, State Legislature and state agencies on needed changes and methods for better coordination with programs related to job training.
 - Submitting an annual report to the Governor on JTPA activities and performance in the state.
 - Certifying that the Wagner-Peyser plan submitted to the Department of Labor reflects joint decisions among the Job Service, local elected officials and the Private Industry Council.

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 4th day
of March in the year one thousand
nine hundred eighty-seven.

TOMMY CA THOMPSON

By the Governor:

DOUGLAS LA FOL Secretary of State