

1983 Assembly Bill 402

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1983 Wisconsin Act 113

AN ACT to amend 15.197 (2) of the statutes, relating to increasing the number of members on the council on blindness.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 15.197 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

15.197 (2) COUNCIL ON BLINDNESS. There is created in the department of health and social services a council on blindness consisting of 5 ~~9~~ members appointed by the secretary of health and social services for staggered 3-year terms. ~~Persons~~ At least 7 of the persons appointed to the council shall be visually handicapped; and shall reflect a broad representation of visually handicapped persons and shall. ~~All council members shall~~ have a recognized interest in and demonstrated knowledge of the problems of the visually handicapped. Council members may be persons receiving services from the department. "Visually handicapped" means having a visual acuity equal to or less than 20/70 in the better eye with correcting lenses, or having a limitation in the field of vision such that the widest diameter of the visual field subtends an angle no greater than 20 degrees.

SECTION 2. **Nonstatutory provisions.** Notwithstanding section 15.197 (2) of the statutes, the secretary of the department of health and social services shall appoint to the council on blindness 2 members for one-year terms commencing on July 1, 1983, and one member for a 2-year term commencing on July 1, 1983.

SECTION 3. **Effective date.** This act takes effect on July 1, 1983.
