

1991 Assembly Bill 414

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1991 Wisconsin Act 290 (Vetoed in Part)

AN ACT to create 20.435 (1) (cj) of the statutes, relating to establishing a grant program in the department of health and social services to fund devices to prevent occupational puncture injuries and making an appropriation. **Vetoed in Part**

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:

	<u>1991-92</u>	<u>1992-93</u>
20.435 Health and social services, department of		
(1) HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING, REGULATION AND DELIVERY		
(cj) Health care device safety grants	50,000	100,000

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SECTION 2. 20.435 (1) (cj) of the statutes is created to read:

20.435 (1) (cj) *Health care device safety grants.* The amounts in the schedule for health care device safety grants under 1991 Wisconsin Act (this act), section 3 (1).

SECTION 3. **Nonstatutory provisions; health and social services.** (1) **HEALTH CARE DEVICE SAFETY GRANTS.** (a) In this subsection:

1. "HIV" has the meaning given under section 146.025 (1) (b) of the statutes. **Vetoed in Part**
2. "HIV infection" has the meaning given under section 146.025 (1) (c) of the statutes. **Vetoed in Part**
3. "Hospital" has the meaning given under section 50.33 (2) of the statutes.
4. "Nursing home" has the meaning given under section 50.01 (3) of the statutes. **Vetoed in Part**
5. "Occupational puncture injury" means a puncture, cut or other wound that results to a provider of

health care or health worker from a device, instrument or other object in a health care setting.

(b) From the appropriation under section 20.435 (1) (c) of the statutes, as created by this act, the department of health and social services shall allocate, under criteria and procedures established by the department, up to \$50,000 in fiscal year 1991-92 and up to \$100,000 in fiscal year 1992-93 to provide not less than 2 and not more than 5 grants to applying hospitals or nursing homes that have significant numbers of patients with HIV infections, for projects to test the practicality and effectiveness of using, in health care settings, devices that are designed to prevent occupational puncture injuries. Funds may be used for the purchase, at reasonable cost, of hypodermic syringes, needles and related devices that are so designed.

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(c) A hospital or nursing home that receives a grant under paragraph (b) shall have established a staff committee that includes representatives of labor and of management of the hospital or nursing home to implement the grant.

(d) The department of health and social services shall evaluate the program established under this subsection and shall submit its findings and recommenda-

tions ~~by January 1, 1993~~ to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature for distribution to the legislature in the manner provided under section 13.172 (2) of the statutes. The department shall examine, among other issues relating to the effectiveness of the program, all of the following:

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1. The impact of the use of devices that are designed to prevent occupational puncture injury on the transmission of infectious disease and the occurrence of occupational puncture injuries.

2. The availability and the cost, relative to other devices, of devices that are designed to prevent occupational puncture injury.

3. The costs incurred and the savings realized by health care providers by the use in health care settings of devices designed to prevent occupational puncture injury.

4. The practicality of using devices that are designed to prevent occupational puncture injury, including the willingness of health care personnel to use them.

5. The benefit, if any, of continued use of devices that are designed to prevent occupational puncture injury.

