

State of Misconsin 2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

SENATE SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO SENATE BILL 93

October 13, 2023 - Offered by Senator JACQUE.

1 AN ACT to create 38.04 (34) and 39.381 of the statutes; relating to: grants to

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technical college and tribal college students for apprenticeship expenses.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill creates grant programs under which the Technical College System Board and Higher Educational Aids Board may award grants of up to \$1,500 to technical college students and tribal college students, respectively, who have undertaken an apprenticeship program in conjunction with their course of instruction at the technical college or tribal college. These grants may be awarded only to pay for the students' actual materials expenses, such as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, associated with the apprenticeship program. Among the requirements for a student to be eligible for a grant, the student must be enrolled in the apprenticeship program in the semester in which the grant is made and in the following semester.

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

SECTION 1. 38.04 (34) of the statutes is created to read:

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38.04 (34) STUDENT APPRENTICESHIP GRANTS. (a) In this subsection, "apprenticeship program" has the meaning given in s. 106.001 (4).

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3 (b) The board shall award grants to students enrolled in technical colleges who 4 have undertaken an apprenticeship program in conjunction with their course of 5 instruction at the technical college. Grants may be awarded only to pay for the 6 students' actual materials expenses, such as the cost of tools, equipment, and 7 clothing, associated with the apprenticeship program. Grants may not exceed \$1,500 8 per student or the student's actual materials expenses, whichever is less.

9 (c) The board may not award a grant to a student under this subsection unless
10 the student's application submitted to the board includes all of the following:

- A recommendation form signed by the student's apprenticeship employer or
 another person in the trades.
- 13 2. A statement of how the award would help the student complete the student's14 apprenticeship program.
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3. A statement signed by the student certifying all of the following:

- a. That the student will be enrolled in the apprenticeship program in thefollowing semester.
- b. That the student will use the grant award to pay for materials expenses, such
 as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, that are directly related to the
 apprenticeship program.
- (d) The board may not award a grant to a student under this subsection unless
 the board has verified the student's enrollment in the apprenticeship program in the
 semester in which the grant award is made.
- (e) The board may not award grants under this subsection totaling more than
 \$100,000 in any academic year.

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- (f) The board may structure the grants awarded under this subsection to create
 incentives for completing apprenticeship programs.
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SECTION 2. 39.381 of the statutes is created to read:

- 39.381 Apprenticeship grants for tribal college students. (1) In this
 5 section:
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(a) "Apprenticeship program" has the meaning given in s. 106.001 (4).

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(b) "Tribal college" has the meaning given in s. 39.382 (1) (d).

8 (2) The board shall award grants to students enrolled in tribal colleges who 9 have undertaken an apprenticeship program in conjunction with their course of 10 instruction at the tribal college. Grants may be awarded only to pay for the students' 11 actual materials expenses, such as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, 12 associated with the apprenticeship program. Grants may not exceed \$1,500 per 13 student or the student's actual materials expenses, whichever is less.

14 (3) The board may not award a grant to a student under this section unless the15 student's application submitted to the board includes all of the following:

16 (a) A recommendation form signed by the student's apprenticeship employer
17 or another person in the trades.

(b) A statement of how the award would help the student complete the student'sapprenticeship program.

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(c) A statement signed by the student certifying all of the following:

- That the student will be enrolled in the apprenticeship program in the
 following semester.
- 23 2. That the student will use the grant award to pay for materials expenses, such
 24 as the cost of tools, equipment, and clothing, that are directly related to the
 25 apprenticeship program.

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(4) The board may not award a grant to a student under this section unless the
 board has verified the student's enrollment in the apprenticeship program in the
 semester in which the grant award is made.

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- 4 (5) The board may not award grants under this section totaling more than
 5 \$21,000 in any academic year.
- 6 (6) The board may structure the grants awarded under this section to create
 7 incentives for completing apprenticeship programs.
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