



State of Wisconsin  
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

LRB-0219/P1  
JAM:emw

DOA:.....Kirschbaum, BB0034 - Modifications to Apprenticeship and  
Employment Statutes

**FOR 2021-2023 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

**AN ACT ...; relating to:** the budget.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**EMPLOYMENT**

***Modification to apprenticeship statutes***

Under current law, DWD is authorized to provide a youth apprenticeship program and may award grants to local partnerships for the implementation and coordination of local youth apprenticeship programs. Current law requires DWD to fund the development of youth apprenticeship program curricula from its general program operations appropriation. This bill permits the funding of youth apprenticeship program curricula development from any allowable source.

***Modification to employment transit assistance program***

Under current law, DWD is required to administer an employment transit assistance program to address the deficiency in access to employment locations for workers and persons seeking employment. Current law limits funding under the program to projects in outlying suburban and sparsely populated and developed areas that are not adequately served by a mass transit system. This bill removes those geographic restrictions.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**SECTION 1.** 20.445 (1) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.445 (1) (e) *Local youth apprenticeship grants.* ~~The~~ As a continuing appropriation, the amounts in the schedule for local youth apprenticeship grants under s. 106.13 (3m).

\*\*\*\*NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

**SECTION 2.** 106.13 (2r) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.13 (2r) ~~From the appropriation under s. 20.445 (1) (a), the~~ The department shall develop curricula for youth apprenticeship programs for occupational areas approved under sub. (2m).

**SECTION 3.** 106.26 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.26 (1) FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. The legislature finds that, for many workers and persons seeking employment ~~in outlying suburban and sparsely populated and developed areas,~~ conventional, fixed-route mass transit systems do not provide adequate transportation service. The purpose of the employment transit assistance program under this section is to correct this deficiency in access to employment locations and to stimulate the development of innovative transit service methods.

**SECTION 4.** 106.26 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

106.26 (2) (d) "Project" means a project designed to improve access to jobs, including part-time jobs and Wisconsin works employment positions, as defined in s. 49.141 (1) (r), ~~located in outlying suburban and sparsely populated and developed~~

~~areas that are not adequately served by a mass transit system~~ and to develop innovative transit service methods.

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