



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Rice, BB0213 - Civil Legal Services for the Indigent

FOR 2023-2025 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

STATE GOVERNMENT

GENERAL STATE GOVERNMENT

Civil legal services for the indigent

This bill requires DOA to make annual payments to the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., for the purpose of providing civil legal services to indigent persons.

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

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

SECTION 1. 16.19 of the statutes is created to read:

16.19 Civil legal services for the indigent. Annually, the department shall pay the amount appropriated under s. 20.505 (1) (e) to the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., to provide civil legal services to indigent persons. The Wisconsin

Trust Account Foundation, Inc., shall distribute the amount received as grants to programs that provide civil legal services to indigent persons, and those programs may use the grant funds to match other federal and private grants. The grants may be used only for the purposes for which the funding was provided.

SECTION 2. 20.505 (1) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (e) *Indigent civil legal services.* The amounts in the schedule to provide grants for the provision of civil legal services to indigent persons under s. 16.19.

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

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