



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Rice, BB0125 - Civil Legal Services

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

STATE GOVERNMENT

GENERAL STATE GOVERNMENT

Grants to provide civil legal services

This bill requires DOA to award grants to the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., for the purpose of providing civil legal services.

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. From the appropriation under s. 20.505 (1) (ep), the department shall award grants to the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., to provide civil legal services. The Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., shall distribute the amount received as grants to programs that provide civil legal services, 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) (ep) of the statutes is created to read:

20.505 (1) (ep) *Civil legal services.* As a continuing appropriation, the

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SECTION 2

amounts in the schedule to provide grants under s. 16.19 to the Wisconsin Trust Account Foundation, Inc., for the provision of civil legal services.

****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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