



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1487/P1

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DOA:.....Humphry, BB0329 - Minimum Wage

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

EMPLOYMENT

Minimum wage

This bill requires the secretary of workforce development to establish a committee to study options to achieve a minimum wage that ensures all workers in this state earn a living wage. Under the bill, the committee consists of nine members, with five appointed by the governor, and one each appointed by the speaker of the assembly, the assembly minority leader, the senate majority leader, and the senate minority leader. The committee must submit a report containing its recommendations for options to achieve a minimum wage and other means to ensure that all workers in this state earn a living wage to the governor and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature no later than October 1, 2026.

For further information see the state and local 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 9150. Nonstatutory provisions; Workforce Development.

(1) MINIMUM WAGE STUDY COMMITTEE.

(a) The secretary of workforce development shall establish a minimum wage study committee under s. 15.04 (1) (c). The committee shall consist of the following:

1. Five members appointed by the governor.
2. One member appointed by the speaker of the assembly.
3. One member appointed by the minority leader of the assembly.

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4. One member appointed by the majority leader of the senate.

5. One member appointed by the minority leader of the senate.

(b) The committee created under par. (a) shall study options to increase the minimum wage for workers in this state to ensure that all Wisconsin workers earn a living wage.

(c) No later than October 1, 2026, the committee created under par. (a) shall submit to the governor and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature in the manner provided under s. 13.172 (3) a report that includes recommendations regarding the options for achieving a minimum wage and other means of increasing worker compensation in this state that allow a worker to earn a living wage.

(d) The minimum wage study committee terminates upon submission of the report under par. (c).

(END)