

EXECUTIVE ORDER #100

Relating to the Governor's Council on Workforce Investment

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is open for business and has an array of attractive features to broaden the scope and depth of a positive business climate; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsinites possess an outstanding work ethic, drawing Wisconsin's private sector employers—from small to international businesses—to remain, expand, or begin new enterprises in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin has strong partnerships within the workforce-investment system for building a workforce that employers can leverage to fuel economic growth; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's workforce sector strategies are a driving force in the continued modernization of Wisconsin's education and skills training systems—including kindergarten through post-secondary education, apprenticeships, and community-based training providers—and must be responsive to current and emerging job opportunities; and

WHEREAS, private and public sector entities share the responsibility of developing an effective and comprehensive approach to workforce development utilizing federal, state, local, labor, and private resources; and

WHEREAS, the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, codified at 29 U.S.C. § 2821, requires states to establish a workforce investment board to develop a strategy for workforce investment; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Workforce Investment ("Council"), was created by past Governors and recreated by Governor Walker in Executive Order #6 to fulfill this requirement; and

WHEREAS, the Council can further equip workers with the skills necessary to successfully pursue employment opportunities and transition from government dependence to independence; and

WHEREAS, business leaders can play an increased role in strengthening the State's education, skills-training, and workforce systems as part of the Council; and

WHEREAS, the Council can provide a forum for employers and workforce stakeholders to advance a shared vision and build on strategic alliances and partnerships to fill labor market needs and empower workers; and

WHEREAS, enhancing the Council's current mission will enable Wisconsin to fulfill its ongoing commitment to produce the highly skilled workers businesses need to compete in the global economy.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SCOTT WALKER, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of this State, specifically Wis. Stat. § 14.019, do hereby:

- Declare that this Order replaces the provision of Executive Order #6 recreating the Governor's Council on Workforce Investment as created by Governor Doyle's Executive Order #88 and amend the Governor's Council on Workforce Investment as follows:
 - a. Membership of the Council shall be in accordance with 29 U.S.C. § 2821, and that the Council may include additional members concerned with workforce development as the Governor may designate; and

- b. Direct that the Council shall meet the criteria and carry out the duties and functions prescribed by 29 U.S.C. § 2821; and
- c. Direct that the Council recommend policies and innovative strategies aligning multiple workforce resources to effectively target education and training activities along with performance metrics to monitor improvements; and
- d. Direct the Council to recommend strategies to strengthen the workforce One-Stop/Job Center system for greater elasticity to support employer-driven training needs, sustainable partnerships and individual self-reliance; and
- e. Direct the Council to develop strategies to expand the skilled labor pool and optimize Wisconsin workers' ability to work, including persons with disabilities, atrisk and out-of-school youth, and other individuals who have been hindered by system impediments; and
- f. Direct that all cabinet-level State agencies actively collaborate at the One-Stop local level to develop a strong, skilled workforce and to create a scorecard of the crossagency coordination and alignment efforts for continuous improvement; and
- g. Direct that the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, as the federal Workforce Investment Act grantee, provide staff support for the Council.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Milwaukee this second day of May in the year two thousand thirteen

SCOTT WALKER
Governor

By the Governor:

OUGLAS LA FOLLETTE

Secretary of State