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2023 Wisconsin Act 153 [2023 Senate Bill 271]

Commercial Driver Training Grant Program

2023 Wisconsin Act 153 creates a commercial driver training grant program administered by the Department of Workforce Development (DWD).¹ The program provides grants to training entities listed on the federal Training Provider Registry that provide training to residents of Wisconsin who obtain a Wisconsin commercial driver's license. The training entity must have a facility in Wisconsin, the training must be provided at or through that facility, and the training must meet federal entry-level driver training requirements. DWD must receive the application before July 1, 2025. The grant amount may not exceed 50 percent of the training cost or \$3,000, whichever is less. DWD is required to report annually the number and amount of grants awarded under the program.

The act sunsets the grant program effective July 1, 2025.

Effective date: March 23, 2024

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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¹ 2023 Wisconsin Act 153 does not appropriate any funds for the purposes of the grant program. However, 2023 Wisconsin Act 19, the 2023-25 biennial budget act, authorized \$ 250,000 in each fiscal year of the biennium to be held in the Joint Committee on Finance's (JCF) supplemental appropriation. DWD may request this supplemental funding from JCF under s. 13.10, Stats.