

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

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Senate Amendment 1

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January 2018 Special Session Senate Bill 4 requires a public housing authority to identify able-bodied residents who are unemployed or underemployed. Once identified, two actions must follow: the authority must require the person's participation in an employability plan and must require completion of a controlled substance abuse screening.

Regarding the second requirement, if the results of a controlled substance abuse screening provide reasonable suspicion of abuse, and follow-up drug testing is positive without a valid prescription, the authority must offer the resident the opportunity to participate in substance abuse treatment.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 to the bill specifies that the Department of Administration has rulemaking authority to establish standards for determining a public housing resident's status as "able-bodied," "unemployed," and "underemployed."

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Kapenga on February 7, 2018. On February 14, 2018, the Senate Committee on Public Benefits, Licensing and State-Federal Relations recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 3; Noes, 2.

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