



1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 900

March 20, 2000 - Introduced by Representatives LASSA, HASENOHRL, MUSSER, WOOD, GRONEMUS, BLACK, STASKUNAS, KREIBICH, MONTGOMERY, POCAN, WAUKAU, OTT, YOUNG, WIECKERT and BERCEAU, cosponsored by Senators SHIBILSKI, ROESSLER, RISSER, ERPENBACH, MOEN, PLACHE and ROBSON. Referred to Joint committee on Finance.

1 **AN ACT to repeal** 46.85 (3m) (b) 1. and 46.85 (3m) (b) 2.; **to renumber and**
2 **amend** 46.85 (3m) (b) (intro.); and **to amend** 46.27 (4) (c) 4., 46.275 (5) (b) 2.
3 and 46.85 (3m) (a) of the statutes; **relating to:** increasing funding for retired
4 senior volunteer programs and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of health and family services (DHFS) provides general purpose revenue to public agencies and nonprofit organizations to administer retired senior volunteer programs (RSVPs). Currently, the general purpose revenue supplements federal funding for these programs. RSVPs are designed to help individuals who are age 55 and older find opportunities to perform volunteer work in their communities.

This bill increases the funding for RSVPs in the 2000-01 fiscal biennium. The increase in funding will be used in part to provide grants of \$15,000 to each county RSVP in operation on the effective date of this act, grants of \$20,000 to each of five county RSVPs in operation on the effective date of this act for the expansion of the programs into a contiguous county and, for the establishment of a new RSVP, one grant of \$40,000 to a county that is not contiguous to a county in which an RSVP operates.

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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:

1 **SECTION 1.** 46.27 (4) (c) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

2 46.27 (4) (c) 4. A description of the method to be used to coordinate the use of
3 funds received under this program with the use of other funds allocated to the county
4 under ss. 46.495 (1) (d), 46.80 (5) and 46.85 (3m) (a) and (b) 1. and 2. and to county
5 departments under s. 51.423.

6 **SECTION 2.** 46.275 (5) (b) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

7 46.275 (5) (b) 2. Reduce federal, state or county matching expenditures for
8 long-term community support services provided to any person as part of this
9 program from funds allocated under s. 46.495 (1) (d), 46.80 (5), 46.85 (3m) (a) and (b)
10 1. and 2. or 51.423, as indicated in the county's budget or by actual expenditures.

11 **SECTION 3.** 46.85 (3m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 46.85 (3m) (a) From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (7) (dh), the department
13 shall provide a state supplement to federally funded senior companion and retired
14 senior volunteer program units ~~that were in operation on December 1, 1988, and~~
15 administered by qualified public and non-profit private agencies.

16 **SECTION 4.** 46.85 (3m) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 46.85 (3m) (b)
17 and amended to read:

18 46.85 (3m) (b) From the appropriation under s. 20.435 (7) (dh), the department
19 shall allocate funds, based on the percentage of the state's population of low-income
20 persons over age 60 who reside in each county or are members of an American Indian
21 tribe, and distribute the funds to counties and federally recognized tribal governing

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1 bodies to supplement ~~any of the following:~~ federal projects providing supportive
2 services under 42 USC 3030d, congregate nutrition services under 42 USC 3030e,
3 home-delivered meals under 42 USC 3030f and 3030g, in-home services for frail
4 older individuals under 42 USC 3030h, 3030i, 3030j and 3030k and preventive
5 health services under 42 USC 3030m, 3030n and 3030o.

6 **SECTION 5.** 46.85 (3m) (b) 1. of the statutes is repealed.

7 **SECTION 6.** 46.85 (3m) (b) 2. of the statutes is repealed.

8 **SECTION 7. Nonstatutory provisions.**

9 (1) RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS. From the appropriation under section
10 20.435 (7) (dh) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1999, the department of
11 health and family services shall provide during the 2000-01 fiscal year all of the
12 following:

13 (a) A grant of \$15,000 to each individual county retired senior volunteer
14 program authorized under section 46.85 of the statutes that is in operation on July
15 1, 2000, and was in operation on the effective date of this paragraph.

16 (b) A grant of \$20,000 to each of 5 county retired senior volunteer programs
17 authorized under section 46.85 of the statutes that are in operation on July 1, 2000,
18 and were in operation on the effective date of this paragraph for the expansion of the
19 programs into a contiguous county that is not currently served by a retired senior
20 volunteer program.

21 (c) One grant of \$40,000 to a county that is not contiguous to a county in which
22 a retired senior volunteer program operates for the establishment of a retired senior
23 volunteer program.

24 **SECTION 8. Appropriation changes.**

ASSEMBLY BILL 900**SECTION 8**

1 (1) RETIRED SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS FUNDING. In the schedule under section
2 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of health and family
3 services under section 20.435 (7) (dh) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1999,
4 the dollar amount is increased by \$575,000 for fiscal year 2000-01 to provide grants
5 authorized under SECTION 3 (1) of this act for retired senior volunteer programs.

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