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# **2001 SENATE BILL 77**

March 8, 2001 – Introduced by Senators Rosenzweig, Robson, Roessler, George, Darling, Schultz and Burke, cosponsored by Representatives Jeskewitz, Riley, Ladwig, Bock, Powers, Krawczyk, Olsen, Staskunas, Musser, Albers, Berceau, Miller, Lassa, Townsend and Sykora. Referred to Committee on Human Services and Aging.

AN ACT relating to: requiring the department of workforce development to submit to the governor, the joint committee on finance, the department of administration, and certain standing committees a statewide plan for providing employment and support services to low-income, noncustodial parents.

### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the department of workforce development (DWD) to submit to the governor, the department of administration, the joint committee on finance, and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature a plan for providing employment and support services to low-income, noncustodial parents. The employment and support services outlined in the plan must include services to provide job training, job readiness skills training, transportation assistance, parenting skills training, legal assistance, basic skills training, health care, and other support services. In developing the plan, DWD must consult with the department of health and family services in determining the health care services to be provided under the plan and must conduct at least two meetings in the state for the purpose of soliciting input on the plan from interested parties.

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For further information see the *state* 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 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

- (1) Plan for providing services to low-income, noncustodial parents.
- (a) No later than March 1, 2002, the department of workforce development shall submit to the governor, the department of administration, the joint committee on finance, and the appropriate standing committees of the legislature in the manner provided under section 13.172 (3) of the statutes, a statewide plan for providing employment and support services, including job training, job readiness skills training, transportation assistance, parenting skills training, legal assistance, basic skills training, health care, and other support services, to low-income, noncustodial parents.
  - (b) The plan shall include all of the following:
  - 1. An estimate of the costs of implementing the plan.
- 2. A proposal to fund the proposed services using funds that are received under the federal temporary assistance for needy families block grant program and funds that may be used to meet the maintenance-of-effort requirement under 42 USC 609.
- 3. A description of any employment and support services currently provided to low-income, noncustodial parents, including a description of the providers of those services and the number of low-income, noncustodial parents who were served in 1999 and 2000.
- 4. An estimate of the number of noncustodial parents who are currently delinquent in child support.

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5. A description of employment and support services and other programs
offered by other states to low-income, noncustodial parents.
(c) In developing the statewide plan, the department of workforce development
shall do all of the following:

- 1. Consult with the department of health and family services in determining the health care services to be provided under the plan.
- 2. For the purpose of soliciting input on the plan from interested parties, conduct at least one meeting in a 1st class city and at least one meeting outside of a 1st class city.

10 (END)