



State of Wisconsin  
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

LRB-4103/2  
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**2019 BILL**

1     **AN ACT to amend** 59.53 (11) (c) and 59.53 (20) of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             changing outdated and derogatory terminology (suggested as remedial  
3             legislation by the Department of Revenue).

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill changes the term “handicapped” to “disabled” when referring to persons who receive certain county services.

For further information, see the NOTES provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE PREFATORY NOTE: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the Department of Revenue and introduced by the Law Revision Committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4. and 5., stats. After careful consideration of the various provisions of the bill, the Law Revision Committee has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.

4     **SECTION 1.** 59.53 (11) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5             59.53 (11) (c) Appropriate money to defray the expenses incurred by private  
6             organizations that provide homemaking services to elderly and handicapped

**BILL**

**SECTION 1**

1 disabled persons within the county if the services will enable the persons to remain  
2 self-sufficient and to live independently or with relatives.

NOTE: This SECTION replaces the term “handicapped” with “disabled” in a statute that allows a county board to appropriate money for purposes of homemaking services for elderly and disabled persons within the county.

3 **SECTION 2.** 59.53 (20) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 **59.53 (20) WORK CENTERS.** The board may establish and operate a work center  
5 licensed under s. 104.07 to provide employment for severely ~~handicapped~~ disabled  
6 individuals, except that in a county with a population of 750,000 or more, the county  
7 executive shall be in charge of the operation of the work center.

NOTE: This SECTION replaces the term “handicapped” with “disabled” in a statute that allows a county board to establish and operate a work center to provide employment for severely disabled individuals.

8 (END)