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ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO SENATE BILL 283

June 24, 2025 - Offered by Representative ANDERSON.

AN ACT to create 20.395 (5) (db) and 85.65 of the statutes; relating to: public protective services hearing protection assistance and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. 20.395 (5) (db) of the statutes is created to read:

20.395 (**5**) (db) *Public protective services hearing protection program*. From the general fund, a sum sufficient for the public protective services hearing protection program under s. 85.65.

SECTION 2. 85.65 of the statutes is created to read:

85.65 Public protective services hearing protection assistance. (1)
The department shall establish and administer a public protective services hearing

protection program. Under the program, the department shall do all of the following:

- (a) Obtain from a manufacturer of the product hearing protection devices that satisfy sub. (2).
- (b) Upon request, provide devices obtained under par. (a) to law enforcement and fire protective agencies in this state in the number requested by the agency.
- (2) Devices under sub. (1) (a) shall be commercially available hearing protection devices that satisfy all of the following:
 - (a) The device is designed to be used multiple times.
 - (b) The device is designed to be inserted completely within the ear canal.
 - (c) The device has a minimum noise reduction rating of 25 decibels.
 - (d) The device has a maximum output of 80 decibels.
- (3) A law enforcement or fire protective agency may request any number of devices under sub. (1) (b) that the agency determines are necessary for the agency's use.

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